



VOLUNTEER APPLICATION

MISSION

The Nebraska Humane Society protects, saves and enriches the lives of animals in the communities we serve.

VISION

NHS envisions a community that cherishes the ideals of a humane society, compassionately and responsibly supports the health and welfare of all companion animals, celebrates the natural affinity between humans and animals, and upholds the right of every adoptable animal to have a permanent, loving and responsible home.

VALUES

We value providing an environment where people and animals are treated with dignity, respect and compassion while promoting teamwork in the passionate pursuit of excellence.

The Nebraska Humane Society encourages the participation of people who wish to support our mission statement and core values.

- **You must be willing to commit to a minimum of 8 hours per month for at least 6 months.**
- **You must be at least 19 years old to volunteer.**
- **You will be contacted to confirm your participation in Volunteer Training**

Last Name _____ First Name _____ M.I. ____ Nickname _____

Address _____ City _____ State ____ Zip _____

Home Phone _____ Work Phone _____ Cell _____

Email address _____ Date of Birth: Month ____ Day ____ Year ____ Age ____

Emergency Contact _____ Relationship _____

Emergency Contact Phone _____

Why are you interested in becoming a NHS volunteer?

Describe any previous experience working with animals:

List present and previous volunteer jobs:

Occupation and Employer:

May we call you at work? _____ If yes, phone # _____

Educational experience (if currently in school, include name of school, grade & course of study):

List additional information that may be useful (ie. special skills, training, interests, hobbies)

TIME AVAILABILITY:

Hours of Operation: 9:00 a.m. to 7:00 p.m. Monday – Friday
9:00 a.m. to 5:00 p.m. Saturday
10:00 a.m. to 5:00 p.m. Sunday

I would like to volunteer _____ hours per week or _____ hours per month.

Please indicate which days and times you would prefer to volunteer:

Mon. _____ Tues. _____ Wed. _____
Thurs. _____ Fri. _____ Sat. _____
Sun. _____ Other _____

Are you meeting a class requirement for volunteer hours? ___Yes ___No
(Participation in the NHS Volunteer Program requires a minimum of 8 hours a month for 6 months.)

Have you ever been convicted of a crime? ___Yes ___No

If yes, please explain:

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Liability Release & Waiver: I, the undersigned, understand that my participation with the Nebraska Humane Society is strictly on a volunteer basis. I understand that there are inherent risks associated with my volunteer activities, including the risk of personal injury resulting from animal bites and other animal behavior, and with such understanding, I hereby waive, release and forever discharge NHS and its officers, employees, agents or trainers, from any and all claims (whether present or future) arising out of my participation in NHS's Volunteer program. I understand that by signing below I am waiving any and all claims of liability including, but not limited to, claims of negligence and/or injury to me, against the Nebraska Humane Society, its officers, agents and employees, arising out of my participation in the Nebraska Humane Society's Volunteer Program.

Furthermore, I understand that it is important to have a tetanus vaccination before joining the Volunteer Program team, and thus, I understand that it is important to discuss being vaccinated against tetanus with my physician. I therefore release NHS from all injuries, claims or other loss that I may incur because of my not pursuing this matter further and receiving a proper tetanus vaccination.

Signature: _____ Date: _____

AREAS OF VOLUNTEER INTEREST:

- Canine Companions (Dog Walking)***
- Feline Companion:***
Working with cats and kittens in cat adopt, cat isolation and kitten feeding
- Animal Caregivers:***
Clean, care for, feed, water animals. Assist kennel staff with cage cleaning, laundry, etc.
- Adoption Guide:***
Assist potential dog adopters in the kennel area find the dog of their dreams!
- Behavior Helpline:***
Assist people over the phone on how to deal with animal behavior issues.
- Mobile Outreach Program:***
Assist in the adoption of animals and animal education at PetSmart and on the PAW.
- Adoption Counselor:***
Assist potential adopters in deciding what pet would be appropriate for them, and help assure the animals are placed in a loving and permanent home.
- Adoption Guide:***
Assist customers in the dog adoption kennels in finding the dog of their dreams.
- Humane Education:***
Teach students respect and compassion for all living creatures by giving tours, birthday parties, girl scout workshops, and Camp Kindness
- Surgery Assistant:**
Assist veterinarian and vet techs in preparing for and recovering animals from surgery. Must have some medical background and be able to lift 50 lbs.
- Guardian Angel Foster Care Program:**
Provide a temporary home for kittens, puppies or adult dogs and cats with special needs until they can be adopted. (Additional application and screening required.)
- Animal Outfitters:**
Assist customers in our store. Must have computer skills.
- Training Classes Assistant:***
Be an assistant trainer in our obedience classes
- Lost and Found:**
Help reunite lost pets with their families. Requires lots of walking!
- Information Desk:**
Located in the front lobby. How do I adopt? Where are the dogs? You greet the customers and help guide people around the shelter.

*Additional training required.