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The MCFA News

Monroe County Friends of Animals
monroecountyfriendsofanimals.org
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Notice

Due to illness, for the health and safety of staff and volunteers, the shelter is closed to the public until Tuesday, February 8. People will be present to care for the animals residing at the shelter.



We Need You!



The national trend of increasing pet surrenders is creating elevated shelter intakes nationwide. This is hitting us hard at home, here at the Monroe County Animal Shelter, where we are housing a very large number of animals right now. As a result, we have an immediate, critical need for regular shelter volunteers, especially people with qualifications.

Volunteers are a crucial part of the work we do each day. They have been the backbone of our organization from the beginning and allow us to keep our administrative costs low so more of our donations can go to animal care. There are so many ways to help: dog walking, cleaning, front desk, transportation, administration, fundraising, Thrift Store staff. There is something for everyone, and it all supports our lifesaving mission.

To see how you can help, visit the "Get Involved" page on our website.



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Monroe County Friends of Animals Thrift Store is a major source of revenue supporting our mission.

Thrift Store Sale

2/2- 2/5

50% Off All Holiday Items

Christmas, Valentine's Day,
& St. Patrick's Day!

MCFA Thrift Store is open

Wednesday – Saturday

10am – 4pm

423-420-3423

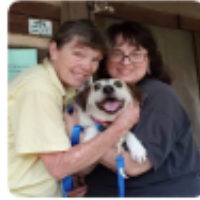
3949 Highway 411, Madisonville, TN

To learn more about sales & volunteering at the Thrift Store, visit the "Our Programs" page of our website.





Become a Foster & Save a Life



There's a tremendous need for fosters when the shelter is overcrowded, as it is right now. Will you open your home and heart to an animal in need? Fostering is a highly rewarding experience that benefits homeless animals and is fun for you and your family! And as a foster parent, you'll be an invaluable part of the Monroe County Friends of Animal's life-saving team.

The shelter is not a home. Fostering provides these special animals with the love and care they need until they are ready for their forever homes. Some are too young for adoption, or need extra love and socialization to become confident family pets, or have medical needs or are recovering from a procedure.

Fostering is ideal for animal lovers who are:

- Seniors and others not wanting the lifelong commitment that comes with pet adoption.
- Families—fostering is a great way to teach kids about responsible pet ownership.
- Anyone who is looking for a way to truly make a difference in an animal's life.

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Upcoming MCFA Events & Needs



We are in need of an **Adopt-a-Thon Coordinator** to take animals to PetSmart and other offsite locations for adoption events. This would be 4-5 events per year, 1 day each. For some shelter animals, an adopt-a-thon event may be their only chance at finding a "forever" home.

For more info, email Cathy:

cbarrett@monroecountyfriendsofanimals.org

We are currently seeking candidates to join our **Capital Campaign Committee** to help raise the remaining funds needed to build our new shelter. We have acquired the land, completed preliminary design work, and reached a cost-sharing agreement with Monroe County to operate the shelter after it is built. We need YOU to help us fundraise!

For more info, email Teresa:

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Inspiration from the Executive Director



"A crisis is an opportunity riding the dangerous wind." – Chinese Proverb

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