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# The MCFA News

Monroe County Friends of Animals

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## Adopt-a-thons

Friday, March 10, 1-6pm

Saturday, March 11, 11am-6pm

PetSmart@Turkey Creek (11134 Parkside Dr.)

Thanks to everyone who came out last month for our Adopt-a-thons. Please join us again this month to meet some more of our lovable furbabies! If you are interested in volunteering at this event, please contact Esther Nunley at nunleyster@yahoo.com or text/call (423) 920-8660.



### Highlights

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K-9 Veterans Day

MARCH 13



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



Thrift Store Specials

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Adult Clothing 1/2 Price

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.





# Events



We rely on volunteers to help us with just about everything we do, and we are so grateful to all of you. Currently, we are SEEKING volunteers to serve as COMMITTEE MEMBERS to help us plan our two biggest events of the year:

**June 3: First Annual Bark in the Park**  
**November 18: Annual Fundraising Gala**



These dates may seem a long way off, but early planning is the key to success!

For further information: [info@monroecountyfriendsofanimals.org](mailto:info@monroecountyfriendsofanimals.org)

A D V O C A T E

## Shelter for outdoor dogs SB 195/HB 472

A bill to define "adequate shelter" for outdoor dogs has been introduced in both the House and Senate. The bill is being carried by Sen. Jon Lundberg and Rep. John Crawford. Co-sponsor: Rep. Darren Jernigan. The bill has been assigned to House Criminal Justice committee. The Senate version has been assigned to Senate Judiciary.

### How You Can Help

Connect with your state legislators and ask them to co-sponsor this bill. This will be an important show of support when the bill goes before committee. This bill will be heard in Senate Judiciary on **March 14**. Does your lawmaker sit on Senate Judiciary? If so, contact them and let them know you want them to vote YES with the bill comes before them in committee.

(Find your lawmaker here: <https://wapp.capitol.tn.gov/Apps/flmlv3/districts.aspx>)



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## ANNUAL MEMBERSHIP MEETING

March 27, Time TBD

Keep an eye out for your email ballot to vote on incoming or re-electing Board members. You must be a member in good standing by February 28, 2023 in order to attend this meeting and to vote.



ATTENTION



# Shelter Notice



Thanks to the quarantine imposed on the Monroe County Animal Shelter for the past two weeks due to an outbreak of upper respiratory illness in the canine population, and thanks to the shelter veterinarians, we were able to control the illness. We are now open for large and medium dogs as well as cats. As a precaution, we are still NOT accepting small dogs or puppies until Friday, March 3.

We are still taking appointments for cat adoptions and microchip services. Please contact us at 423-442-1015 or [animal.shelter@monroetn.com](mailto:animal.shelter@monroetn.com) if you have questions or would like to make an appointment.



# Shelter Needs



## Volunteers Needed Now

- Fosters for Moms & Pups
- Adopt-a-thon helpers (see p.1 for details)
- Grant Writers (call 423-520-6887)

For other volunteer options, please complete our online application or email: [info@MonroeCountyFriendsofAnimals.org](mailto:info@MonroeCountyFriendsofAnimals.org)

## Donations Always Needed

- Garbage & Ziploc Bags (all sizes)
- Laundry Soap & Bleach
- Paper Towels & Wash Cloths
- Pet Treats & Toys

Ship direct to the shelter or drop off  
Tue/Wed/Fri 11am-4:30pm or Sat 11am-2pm

DONATE



Poison Prevention Awareness Month



# Quotes from the Executive Director

"The most dangerous, poisonous and ferocious animals are only humans."  
-Amit Abraham

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