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Thesis: Volunteering for a Humane Society can impact the environment and community.

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<https://www.petfinder.com/pro/for-shelters/facts-about-animal-sheltering/>

- New animals are brought in everyday to new shelters.
 - Humane societies usually get overpopulated every month with a bunch of new pets
 - They spend a lot of money on animals with the shots, food and healthcare they have to pay for to keep the animals in their shelter.
 - This is why it is important to have volunteers to work for free, so they have the money to pay for the animals.
- There are about 5000 community animal shelters nationwide
 - Are independent, with no national organization monitoring them
- Around 8-12 million companion animals go to shelters nationwide
 - Around 5-9 million are euthanized
 - 60% of dogs 70% of cats
 - Less than 2% of cats are returned to their owners
 - 15-20% dogs are returned to their owners
- There is an estimate of 70 million stray cats worldwide.
 - Most strays are lost pets that are not taken care of properly and don't have identification.
- Owned cats and dogs generally live longer and healthier lives than strays.
- About 65% of pet owners acquire their pets for free or at a low cost.
- At least 20% of cats are acquired as strays.
- the average cost of basic food, supplies, medical care, and training a dog or cat is usually \$400 to \$700 a year.

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<http://www.fchsmo.org/WaysToHelp/default.html>

- Franklin County Humane Society is located in Union, Missouri
- They have many ways you can help them out
 - Donate
 - by online or mailing
 - Adopt a pet
 - You purchase an "Adopt-A-Pet ad"
 - Publicized one or more shelter animal in the *Missourian*
 - Includes large photo layouts or adoptable pets
 - Ran on the last WEdnesday of each month
 - Cost one for \$30 or 3 for \$90
 - Rolling up newspapers for them
 - You can donate your old newspapers
 - They also need volunteers to help unfold them
 - Can be done at the shelter or at your house
 - Helps the staff spend more time caring for the animals
 - Having Pet Partners
 - Join their Annual Community Pet Partners program by donating at least \$100
 - You receive an "Animal Friendly" certificate
 - What your award says is determined on how much you spend
 - Friend \$100
 - Rescuer \$250
 - Protector \$500
 - Guardian \$1,000
 - Legacy \$2,500
 - Monthly Community Pet Partners at the Provider level can do a monthly gift of \$25
 - Joining their Kennel Club

- Dog Kennel Sponsor: \$250 for one year
- Cat Condo Sponsor: \$250 for one year
- Puppy Room Cage Sponsor: \$250 for one year
- Cat and Dog Cage Sponsor: \$50 for one year
- Helps take care of a homeless pet by supporting the upkeep of the animals homes
 - Includes fencing, concrete sealing, repairs, insulation, painting, new beds, food and water bowls, litter boxes, and new toys.
- You get a metal plaque that shows your help for the community
 - engraved with your name and option of adding content to honor or memorialize a person or pet.
- Shop to donate
 - If you shop at the following place portions of your purchase goes towards the shelter
 - eScrip
 - You can shop at Gap, Nordstrom, Lancome, Crate and Barrel, Home Depot, Priceline, Target, Fossil, Coach, Amazon, PetCo, PetSmart, Nike, Toys-R-U's, Wallgreens and many more online websites
 - go to www.escrip.com
 - Register by using their ID number
 - 3%-8% of your purchase goes to them
 - Schwans
 - They receive 5% of your purchase
 - Pics Saving Pets
 - You can shop for personalized items with your pets images
 - They receive 50% of your purchase
- Volunteer
 - You can ride in our van to PetSmart locations to help adopt out pets
 - Training is provided
 - You can be a "runner"
 - may be asked to pick up litters abandoned in front of stores or abandoned places
 - Happens a lot
 - Pick up items offered for action at "Wine, Whiskers, and Wags"
 - Walk and socialize dogs
 - Socialize with cats here at the shelter
 - Sponsor a shelter improvement project
 - designated a company-wide workday
 - provide much needed supplies
 - Volunteer at their fundraising events
 - Before you volunteer, you have to go through their volunteer orientation
 - held on the first Sunday of every month from 2-3

- Must be at least the age of 16
- Have Businesses help in some way
 - Local companies that help
 - Pepsi-Cola Bottling of New Haven
 - Purina Farms
 - Pool & Spa Solutions
 - The Fudge Shoppe
 - Dr. Mark Tobben
 - Hillermann Nursery
 - Union Recycling
 - Tractor Supply
 - Kohls
 - Target
 - Walmart
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- All of the donations are tax-deductible and you will get a receipt in the mail.
- They have had over 90,000 animals in their Humane Society
 - They require maintenance to keep the animals, safe, clean, comfortable, and stress free

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- Steps to do to volunteer
 - Meet all the volunteer requirements
 - must be 16 years old
 - still ways to get involved if under 16
 - Be able to commit to one year of volunteering
 - Understand and accept Animal Humane Society's philosophies regarding open admissions and humane euthanasia
 - Communicate professionally
 - Understand and fulfill all responsibilities of their role independently
 - Read and comprehend detailed policy and protocol info as well as remembering shelter rules
 - Be able to physically fulfill the duties
 - be able to stand or walk for up to three hours
 - lift and carry 20 pounds
 - reach and lift
 - vision abilities
 - close vision
 - distance vision
 - depth perception
 - be able to talk to customers, employees and the other volunteers
 - Be able to hear and interpret animal behavior
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 - Explore the volunteering opportunities
 - Volunteerings is an important role in shelters, community, and the homes
 - Complete an application and interview
 - Online application
 - \$20.00 fee
 - Participate in the online information session
 - interview with a member of their team
 - Get started
 - You will be provided with thorough training to help you feel confident in your volunteer role
 - Volunteer Opportunities

- Volunteering in our shelters
 - Adoption Preparation
 - use certain behavior protocols to help shy and fearful animals for the adoption floor
 - Advanced volunteer role open to volunteers who have completed at least 36 hours
 - Adoption Support
 - two important roles
 - customer assistance on the adoption floor
 - answer questions and facilitation visitations
 - Animal socialization
 - Animal Bather
 - groom and bathe animals
 - mostly dogs
 - Needs at least 36 volunteer hours
 - Animal Care Assistant
 - Providing animals with clean housing
 - Need at least 36 volunteer hours
 - Chip and Nail Clinic Assistant
 - Help clip nail clinics
 - check customers in
 - gather their information and pets information
 - Dog Walker
 - Education Programs Support
 - Work in PetSet
 - Exam Assistant
 - work in the examining room to give support to the vets and the animals during the exam process
 - Rabbit Pawfiler
 - Evaluate the personalities of the rabbits who are waiting to get adopted
 - Must need 36 volunteer hours
 - Surgery Suite Assistant
 - provide support to the vets and technicians to help spay/neuter animals
 - need 36 volunteer hours
 - Training Support
 - Helps animals get good training and behavior
 - Treatment Assistant
 - Work with our vet services staff to help administer morning medication for the animals
 - Wildlife Exam

- Provide support for the vet-techs giving injured wildlife the treatment they need to recover from maladies
 - need 36 volunteer hours
- Wildlife Transport
- help with wildlife transporters to transport injured, orphaned, or ill wildlife to a rehabilitation for the treatment they need.
- Volunteering in the community
- Volunteering to foster animals in your home
- Volunteering at special events
- Volunteer opportunities for teens