

## How you can help

If you are over the age of 12 and have an adult volunteer partner who can attend training with you, we would love to have you join us as a volunteer at the Humane Society. Check out our STEPS volunteer training program! If now is not a good time to commit to volunteering, take a look at the list below for other ways you can help animals in need.

- Organize a fundraiser for the Humane Society (bake sale, read-a-thon, carwash)
- Design a poster or collage relating to animal needs or pet overpopulation
- Read a book from the Humane Society book list and write a short report about what you learned
- Organize a wish list drive to collect products that the Humane Society needs to care for homeless animals in our community
- Offer a neighbor help with caring for their pet
- Organize a “Hearts for Paws” campaign through school or a youth group
- Build feral cat shelters



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You can help

Right now!



Thanks!

Every little bit helps! By donating today you can help us purchase supplies that are used to keep the animals in our care happy and healthy. Thank you!

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Cardboard Go-Home Box for a Cat or Rabbit	\$2
Vaccine to Help Keep a Dog or Cat Healthy	\$4
Canned Food for a Dog or Cat	\$1
Blood Test to Make Sure Dogs or Cats Aren't Sick	\$8
Cat Toy	\$1
Dog Toy	\$6
Rabbit Toy	\$2
Flea Preventative for a Dog or Cat	\$6

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## *We have an idea....*

Host a “**Hearts for Paws**” campaign at your business – engage employees and have a little fun while giving back to your community! Ask your clients to support the Capital Area Humane Society by making a small gift. In return, they receive a heart to print their name or pet’s name to show their support for the animals. The hearts can then be displayed on a wall, bulletin board or window.

We’re grateful for the businesses that participate in a “**Hearts for Paws**” campaign and go to great lengths to share the news of support with all of our friends. And we have a lot of friends! We’ll even honor the business whose campaign raises the most funds at our 2015 Paws to Honor event.

The funds raised by your group, will help provide veterinary care for more than 1,200 animals that come into our shelter each year through our Cruelty Investigations Department.

Interested in hosting a “Hearts for Paws” campaign at your business or learning how you can get involved with the Capital Area Humane Society? Contact **Emilie Zion**, Development Manager, at **614/777-7387 ext. 242** or **Ezion@cahs-pets.org** and she’ll provide you with all of the tools to get you started. Sign-up today and we promise to be your best friend!

“PetPeople is proud to be a partner with Capital Area Humane Society with its Hearts for Paws Campaign. We have been involved with this fundraising effort since 2002, raising \$529 in just the first 5 days that first year. Last year we ran the program for 17 days in 8 stores and raised \$13,572.00.

Our associates look forward to the program every year because it is a fun and easy way to make a difference and they constantly challenge themselves to raise more donations than the year before. Customers love that their combined dollars total up to make a huge difference in the lives of homeless pets. A dollar really can make a difference!

The fundraiser has become very turnkey for us over the years and as a result let us help with just a small effort on our part, it doesn’t disrupt business, and fosters our commitment to supporting local non-profit animal related charities.

I truly encourage you to get involved with Capital Area Humane Society. They have been a wonderful partner to us through the years and great ambassadors to animal welfare.”

*Ferri, Marketing Manager, Pet People*

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## Book List

### Ages 4-8

***Arthur's New Puppy***, by Marc Brown

This is the eighteenth book in the bestselling Arthur Adventure series. Through trial and error, and with the help of a puppy training book, Arthur transforms his "naughty" puppy into a (mostly) well-trained member of the family. And just in time — Arthur feared his new pet might be banished to the garage or sent away. With humor and an upbeat attitude, it teaches children about the real problems encountered in puppy training, with lessons on patience and dedication to a task.

***Can I Be Good***, by Taylor Livingston

Rollicking verse and striking illustrations by Ted Rand combine to create a true-to-life portrait of a mischievous golden retriever. Kids can identify with his antics, as he vows to be good but can't seem to resist the ice cream truck, running and playing on the school bus, and wreaking general havoc! In spite of his slip-ups, his family still loves and forgives him. Primary-level picture book.

***Schnitzel Is Lost***, by Hans Wilhelm

Schnitzel, a lovable caricature terrier pup, wanders out of the garden through an open gate and chases a fallen leaf. Pretzel, Schnitzel's buddy, warns him that it might be dangerous to leave the garden, but Schnitzel doesn't listen. He gets lost and is frightened, he has no ID tag, and no one pays attention to his cries. Finally, just by accident, he makes it back home. This is a sweet picture book that carries important lessons about keeping pets in the house, securing gates, and using ID tags.

***Scruffy***, by Parish, Peggy and Kelly Oechsli

An "I Can Read Book" that celebrates Todd's birthday with a trip to the animal shelter. Mrs. Star, a shelter employee, shows Todd and his parents around the facility, and explains what services the shelter provides. Pet overpopulation and abandonment are dealt with simply by Mrs. Star. Todd is surprised to find so many cats, and after carefully visiting with many animals, he settles on a scruffy, older black and white kitten with a crooked tail.

***Three Stories You Can Read to Your Dog and Three Stories You Can Read to Your Cat***, by Sara Swan

These simple chapter books are the perfect way to spend quality time with your dog or cat—reading them a bedtime story! Each book contains three stories. For dogs: "The Burglar", "The Bone", and "The Wild Dog". For cats: "The Yummy Bug", "The Rainy Day", and "The Bad Day". You will find yourself and your children enjoying the stories as much as your dog or cat!

## **Ages 9-12**

### ***A Home for Ernie***, by Amy Reichert

A puppy sold in a pet store goes through three homes by the time he's grown, first to a man who wants a good show dog, second to a farmer who wants a good herd dog, and third to a woman who wants a good guard dog. Ernie just doesn't fit in at any of the three places, and ends up at the animal shelter. A nice family, who just want a good dog to love, adopt him and keep him for the rest of his life. Shows the lifetime commitment it takes to adopt a dog, and the unconditional love that a dog will give people.

### ***Adopting a Dog***, by Jan Mahood, Herbert Axelrod, Sandra Stotksy

The subtitle of this book is "Cats and Dogs: A Basic Training, Caring, and Understanding Library" - discusses what to look for in pets in shelters, and then what to do when you get them home.

### ***Animals Make You Feel Better***, by John G. Sutton

Dogs, Cats, Other Pets, Humane Heroes. Real life stories of amazing animals that help people in different situations, from illnesses to natural disasters.

### ***Because of Winn-Dixie***, by Kate DiCamillo

With her newly adopted, goofy pooch at her side, Opal explores her bittersweet world and learns to listen to other people's lives. This warm and winning book hosts an unforgettable cast of characters, including a librarian who fought off a bear with a copy of War and Peace, an ex-con pet-store clerk who plays sweet music to his animal charges, and the neighborhood "witch," a nearly blind woman who sees with her heart. Opal brings her own unique and wonderful voice to a story of friendship, loneliness, and acceptance. Opal's down-home charm and dead-on honesty will earn her friends and fans far beyond the confines of Naomi, Florida.

### ***The Cat who Went to Heaven***, by Elizabeth Jane Coatsworth

A tender, imaginative timeless story, which won the 1931 Newbery Medal for best contribution to American children's literature, it's a true classic with beautiful illustrations.

### ***Shiloh***, by Phyllis Reynolds Naylor

When 11-year-old Marty Preston chances upon a mistreated beagle pup in his hometown of Friendly, West Virginia, he is not prepared for the ethical questions he has to face. Should he return the dog to its owner, only to have the animal abused again? Should he tell his parents? Should he steal food to help the poor creature? Marty's efforts to cope with these questions provides the moral backbone for this story, which is presented in a language and manner that will be understood by third- and fourth-grade readers. The heart and beauty of this 1992 Newbery Medal winner lies in lessons children will take away with them.

## Teens and Young Adults

***Hoot***, by Carl Hiaasen

Roy Eberhardt is the new kid--again. This time around it's Trace Middle School in humid Coconut Grove, Florida. But it's still the same old routine: table by himself at lunch, no real friends, and thick-headed bullies like Dana Matherson pushing him around. But if it wasn't for Dana Matherson mashing his face against the school bus window that one day, he might never have seen the tow-headed running boy. And if he had never seen the running boy, he might never have met tall, tough, bully-beating Beatrice. And if he had never met Beatrice, he might never have discovered the burrowing owls living in the lot on the corner of East Oriole Avenue. And if he had never discovered the owls, he probably would have missed out on the adventure of a lifetime. Apparently, bullies do serve a greater purpose in the scope of the universe. Because if it wasn't for Dana Matherson...

***Mutts***, by Patrick McDonnell

Lots of this great comic strip in one very funny collection.

***The Compassion of Animals***, by Kristin Von Kreisler

For young readers: touching animal stories about the love which animals have for their owners. From selfless gestures to grand, heroic displays of courage, these tales recount the exploits of dogs, cats, horses, pigs -- even an iguana!