



Dog Shelter
 100 Veterans Blvd.
 Georgetown, OH 45121
 937-378-3457

Cat/Small Animal Adoption Center
 422 Lincoln Ave.
 Georgetown, OH 45121
 937-378-2210

VOLUNTEER APPLICATION

Thank you for your interest in volunteering with the Brown County Humane Society (BCHS)! BCHS is a 501c3 nonprofit organization and relies heavily on dedicated volunteers to help us provide animals with compassionate care, safety, socialization, and enrichment while in our care. Please complete this application entirely and drop off to one of our locations above, or email to manager@bchsohio.org.

Your Name _____

Address _____

City _____ State _____ Zip _____ County _____

Phone _____ Alternate Phone _____

Email _____

Are you at least 18 years old? Yes No If no, how old are you? _____

If under 18, a parent or legal guardian must sign the general release/waiver on last page of this application.

Please check all areas of interest:

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| <input type="checkbox"/> Cleaning | <input type="checkbox"/> Fostering Cats/Kittens |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Walking/Playing with Dogs | <input type="checkbox"/> Fostering Dogs/Puppies |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Bathing/Grooming Dogs | <input type="checkbox"/> Horse/Livestock Fostering |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Socializing Cats/Kittens | <input type="checkbox"/> Fundraising |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Off-site Adoption Events | <input type="checkbox"/> BCHS Special Events (ex: annual banquet, fair booth) |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Transporting (ex: to vet appts, rescues) | <input type="checkbox"/> Landscape/Facility Maintenance |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Office Help (ex: paperwork, organizing) | <input type="checkbox"/> Other: _____ |

Please indicate what times you are available to volunteer:

- | | | |
|-----------------|----------------|--|
| Monday _____ | Thursday _____ | Sunday _____ |
| Tuesday _____ | Friday _____ | <input type="checkbox"/> Almost anytime |
| Wednesday _____ | Saturday _____ | <input type="checkbox"/> My schedule varies weekly |

Our volunteer program is very flexible. Volunteers can show up to our shelters anytime during open hours to spend time with the animals. However, it is helpful for staff to know ahead of time when volunteers are coming so we can plan accordingly. Would you like to commit to a certain day/time each week to volunteer?

- Yes!** I would like to schedule in advance and commit to specific day(s) and time(s) – *volunteer coordinator will contact you to discuss*
- No, I cannot commit to specific days but look forward to volunteering as my schedule allows

Help us get to know you!

What pets do you currently have? _____

Describe any animal handling experience you have:

Why are you interested volunteering with BCHS?

Describe other volunteer experience, if applicable:

Do you have any experience with planning/coordinating events? Yes No

Do you have any experience with volunteer coordination? Yes No

Do you have any fundraising experience? Yes No

Other skills/traits you would like to mention that could be used to benefit BCHS (ex: photography, grooming, graphic design, computer tech support, etc.) _____

If interested in volunteering with dogs, please check all that you have experience with and are comfortable handling:

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| <input type="checkbox"/> Dogs <30 lbs. | <input type="checkbox"/> High energy dogs | <input type="checkbox"/> Fearful dogs |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Dogs 30-60 lbs. | <input type="checkbox"/> Strong pulling dogs | <input type="checkbox"/> Young puppies |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Dogs > 60 lbs. | | |

How did you hear about our volunteer program?

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| <input type="checkbox"/> From a current BCHS volunteer/foster: _____ | | |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Facebook | <input type="checkbox"/> Website | <input type="checkbox"/> At Shelter |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Friend/Relative | <input type="checkbox"/> Other: _____ | |

Emergency Contact:

Name _____

Relationship _____

Phone Number _____

GENERAL RELEASE/WAIVER

In order to volunteer in any BCHS program or activity, the following release must be signed.

I hereby apply to volunteer for the BCHS to work on activities designated by BCHS and/or Shelter staff. **I UNDERSTAND THAT WORKING WITH ANIMALS CAN BE A HAZARDOUS ACTIVITY AND THAT I AM VOLUNTARILY PARTICIPATING IN THIS ACTIVITY WITH THE KNOWLEDGE OF THE DANGERS INVOLVED.** I recognize that I may be directly handling animals from or in the BCHS animal shelter and that animals by their nature are unpredictable and that contact with same can cause serious injury and death. As herein provided, I agree that BCHS is not liable for any accidents/injuries which occur during participation as a volunteer for BCHS. On behalf of myself, my children, my legal charges, personal representatives, and assigns, I hereby release and discharge BCHS, its Agents, Managers, Directors, Employees, and Assigns from any and all liability for any injury and/or property damage which may occur while participating as a volunteer. I agree to indemnify and hold harmless BCHS from any and all costs, damages, expenses or other amounts it may be caused to pay on account of any injury I might suffer. I waive these rights knowingly and voluntarily.

I hereby authorize BCHS to use any photographs of me in their possession for public relations purposes. BCHS will use reasonable efforts to give me advanced notice of such use, but notification is not a condition of this waiver.

I understand that ANY mistreatment of animals will result in criminal charges being filed.

Volunteer Signature _____ Date _____

FOR VOLUNTEER UNDER 18 YEARS OF AGE

Parent/Guardian Name (Print) _____

Relationship to minor volunteer _____

Parent/Guardian Signature _____ Date _____

Please Note: Dog Volunteers must attend a Volunteer Orientation at the Dog Shelter before participating in volunteer activities. For dog volunteers under the age of 18, a parent or legal guardian must attend the orientation as well as accompany the minor during any subsequent volunteer activity.