How to become a CCHS volunteer!

1. **Attend an Orientation.** Orientations are held monthly. You can find upcoming times and locations on the website calendar. During the orientation you will learn about the Humane Society and ways you can help the organization. You can fill out an application at orientation. At the end of orientation you can sign up for a tour & training session at the shelter.

2. **Attend a tour & training session OR set up an interview.** Tour & training sessions are for volunteers that have completed orientation and are interested in helping onsite with dogs, cats, & small animals. If you are interested ONLY in foster and/or medical lab, then Karen will contact you to set up an interview.

3. **Volunteer!** After the tour you will sign up to come in at a scheduled time to work alongside a staff member for your first shift. After that you will receive a weekly email that contains a link to that week’s online volunteer schedule. Just click the shifts you want to sign up for and come in to help as often as you’re able to!
Volunteer Projects at CCHS

There are many different ways in which volunteers help the animals at Champaign County Humane Society. This pamphlet contains brief descriptions of ongoing volunteer opportunities. Shifts are flexible but we ask volunteers to commit to at least 4 months of volunteering.

Adoption Counselor
Experienced volunteers work at the CCHS front desk to speak with potential adopters and help make great matches!
Shifts: M, W-F Sat Sun
2-5 11-2 11-2
5-7:30 2-5 2-5

Kennel Assistant
Cat and Small Animal Kennel Assistants help ensure that the animals at CCHS have a safe, clean environment in which to live. This is where we need the most help! Kennel Assistants also get to help feed the animals.
New shelter volunteers are required to work as kennel assistants at least 4 times before becoming a cat or critter volunteer.
Shifts:
- Cats and Critters 8:30–11am
- Any day including weekends

Cat Socialization Volunteers
Cat Socialization volunteers help provide stimulation and socialization for cats up for adoption.
Prerequisite:
A minimum of 4 shifts as a Cat Kennel Assistant
Shifts:
M, W, Th, F: Anytime 8:30am—7pm
T, Sat, Sun: Anytime 8:30am — 5pm

Dog Socialization Volunteers
Dog Socialization volunteers provide physical and mental stimulation to dogs up for adoption.
There are two skill levels that volunteers may progress through in this program.
Prerequisite: Attend a dog walker training session
Shifts:
M, W, Th, F: 8:30-11am, 12-3pm, 4-7pm
T, Sat, Sun: 8:30-11am, 11-2pm, 2-5pm

Small Animal Socialization Volunteers
Small Animal Socialization volunteers help provide stimulation to the small animals up for adoption to help increase adoptability.
Prerequisite: A minimum of 4 shifts as a Critter Kennel Assistant
Shifts:
M, W, Th, F: Anytime 8:30am—7pm
T, Sat, Sun: Anytime 8:30am — 5pm

Medical Lab
Medical Lab Volunteers help maintain the health of our animal population by performing a variety of duties including treatments and exams.
Shifts: 8-12, 12-4:30

Fostering
Foster volunteers provide a temporary home for animals who need a little extra attention. Since you will be volunteering from your home, there are no specific shifts required for this program.

Special Events
Special Events Volunteers represent CCHS at most off-site events. These events help to bring awareness to CCHS as an organization which in turn helps our animals find forever homes. These events are also excellent opportunities to educate the public about humane treatment of animals. Due to the unpredictable nature in scheduling events, Special Events Volunteers work on an “as needed” basis.