

## **WORKING WITH OUR ANIMALS**

### **HELPFUL SKILLS**

Whether you're an experienced animal handler or a curious first-timer, our animals need you. Our talented team of volunteers and staff will teach you everything you need to know, but the following skills are helpful:

- Customer service experience
- Communication skills
- Knowledge of cat/dog/small animal behavior
- Experience handling cats/dogs/small animals

### **WORKING WITH OUR CATS**

**CATTERY CLEANING CREW:** Make the lives of our adoptable cats more comfortable; clean and set up cat condos with appropriate food, clean water, toys, clean litterbox and new linens; assist with the daily cleaning and organizing of the cattery area prior to opening for adoptions and throughout the day.

**CAT SOCIALIZER:** Keep our adoptable cats in prime mental and physical health through handling and socialization. Cat Socializers spend time interacting with the cats by grooming, petting, handling and playing while the cat is in his/her condo or in the cat socialization room.

### **WORKING WITH OUR DOGS**

**DOG KENNEL ASSISTANT:** Assist kennel staff with various cleaning tasks to ensure a fresh, clean and inviting environment for our animals and our guests.

**ENRICHMENT ASSISTANT:** Assist staff with the preparation and distribution of enrichment treats for our animals. Enrichment is vital for the emotional health of our pets.

**DOG WALKER:** Socialize and safely handle dogs while out on leashed walks or in designated "off-leash" areas. Our Dog Walking program has three levels so you'll start at the Green Level and may progress with additional time and training. Volunteers must be at least 18 years old.

### **WORKING WITH OUR SMALL ANIMALS**

**SMALL ANIMAL CLEANING CREW:** Make the lives of our adoptable small animals more comfortable. Clean and set up small animal cages and provide each small animal with appropriate food, clean water, toys, clean litterbox and bedding.

**SMALL ANIMAL SOCIALIZER:** Keep our small animals mentally and physically healthy through daily handling, socialization and play.