

“Peace on earth, good homes to pets”

The Anderson Humane Society has joined efforts with 2,500 shelters around the world to participate in the annual Home 4 the Holidays pet adoption campaign, founded by Helen Woodward Animal Center and supported by IAMS. The Anderson Humane Society is participating in the campaign through Jan. 5, 2009 to help place 1 million pets into homes.

“We’re proud to be a part of the annual campaign – IAMS Home 4 the Holidays – and work toward helping place 1 million animals into homes during the holiday season,” said Donna Callahan. “This year marks the program’s 10th anniversary, as thousands of shelter partners from around the world come together to help homeless animals. We’re asking everyone to open their hearts this holiday season and be a hero to a pet who needs a home.”

To encourage potential adopters, we will be giving a \$25 discount off all adoption fees. For more information, call the adoption center at (502) 839-8339 or visit the website at www.andersonhumane.org.

This time of year, many writers and animal activists are cautioning people against buying a puppy or a kitten for Christmas. But the fact is that there are perhaps hundreds of thousands of pets across this country who don't have permanent homes.

The argument they give is that people who buy pets as Christmas gifts do so without thinking through on their purchase. That is, instead of urging people take more responsibility in buying a pet, they elect to shut them out of Christmas.

But even in December, dogs and cats continue to find themselves lost or abandoned. The fact is that pets do indeed make great Christmas gifts. If you could go to the local animal shelter, and ask every animal there if it would like to be someone's Christmas gift, they'd all tell you that they would LOVE to be someone's Christmas gift. The point is making sure your recipient is committed to owning one.

If you plan to buy someone a pet for Christmas, here are some tips:

Don't make it a surprise gift - Talk to the recipient and find out if they're ready to commit as much as 15 years of their life to caring for a new family member. If your kids are asking for a pet, consider yourself as the owner, not the kids.

Let the recipient select the new pet - Don't take a chance on picking out an animal you think he or she would like. Even if you know the breed they want, you still can't determine which particular dog they feel something special with.

Take them to the local animal shelter - Instead of buying a pet, adopt a homeless dog or cat. Many shelters don't stop euthanizing just because it's December. I guarantee you if you take someone to see the animals at a shelter, they won't leave without wanting to adopt one.

Instead of spreading a message that Christmas is the wrong time to bring a pet home, we should instead make it the best time. You can extend the Spirit of Giving by giving a home to a dog or cat who doesn't have one.

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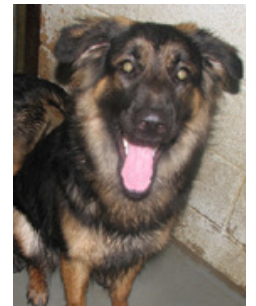


#233 Parker (Domestic Short Hair - gray and white)

"Hi. My name is Parker and I'm came here to the shelter with my two brothers, Louie and Noah. Somebody found us down on Waddy Road and were nice enough to bring us here, out of the cold. We're very young, just a couple of months old and all three of us are anxious to meet our new families and spend our first Christmas with them."

#79 Emma (German Shepherd Dog *Mixed*)

"Hi there! My name is Emma and I'm a sweet german shepherd mix who had to come to the shelter because my owner was moving and they couldn't take me with them to the new house. I sure wish I could have gone too, but the nice folks here at the Humane Society promised me that they're going to work really hard to find me a new home before Christmas comes. After all, every dog deserves a home for the holidays!"

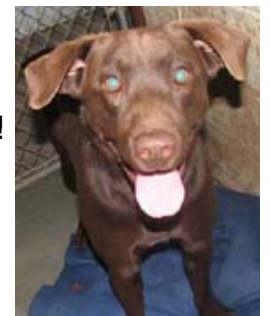


#237 Layla (Calico)

"Hi. My name is Layla and my owner turned me in here because they had moved and didn't have any place for me. Even though I'm pretty scared right now, I'm a good kitty and only about a year and a half old. So I really hope somebody will come out and adopt me cause I'm a beautiful girl who just needs a good home."

#70 Elliott (Chocolate Labrador Retriever)

"Hello there! My name is Elliott and I'm a chocolate lab boy who is out at the shelter. The people here say I'm absolutely gorgeous, and I have to say, I agree! I'm a perfect chocolately color and I'm only about two years old. So if my owners don't come out here to claim me...they'll have until November 24th...I'll be going up for adoption. And I can't wait to get out of here and go home!"



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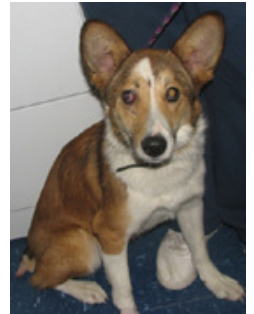


#235 Gena (Tabby - Orange)

"Hi there! My name is Gena and I'm a cute little kitten who is at the shelter with my sister and our mom. Sissy looks like me, but mom is a tortie colored kitty. She was pregnant when she got here, but had us not long after that. Its been several weeks now, and we're weaned and ready to be adopted now. So come on out to the shelter and see us. Promise you'll fall in love!"

#1398 Ellie (Corgi *Mixed*)

'Hi. My name is Ellie and I'm a scared little corgi mix out at the shelter. I was hit by a car a few days ago and they took me to the vet's office. I had to have a little bitty bit of my foot amputated and my tail too. I have a little eye problem, but they gave me some medicine and its clearing up too. I'm a sweet girl and I just need someone to love me and show me how to trust again.'

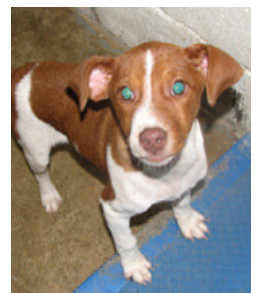


#209 Spencer (Domestic Short Hair - orange and white)

"Hi. My name is Spencer and I came here with my sister Powder. Well, she's not my real sister, but she's my adopted sister and I love her just the same. Our owner turned us in here together, and I'd love to stay with her, but if you're only looking for one kitty to adopt, we've agreed that we can go to different homes. It'll be okay as long as we get new families and good homes."

#51 Poppy (Beagle *Mixed*)

'Hi. My name is Poppy and I've been here at the shelter for a few days now. Let me tell ya...when I first got here, I was scared scared scared. So scared I even got a little bit snippy with the camera lady. She said I'd feel better in a few days, and she was right! I've really come out of my shell and I'm showing everybody what an adorable, lovable little pup I am and they all just love me here!'



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Check out our adoptable pets at
www.andersonhumane.org or at our
Adoption Center at 1410 Versailles Road

Kroger Card Fundraiser

Kroger Gift Cards are available from the Anderson Humane Society for \$10 each. There are no additional costs to you. The initial purchase cost will be credited on the gift card. For example, when you purchase a new card for \$10, it will have a balance of \$10. You can then go to your local Kroger and add more to the card at the service desk. The Kroger Gift Card works like a debit card that is linked to the Humane Society. Just recharge your card when the balance gets low, or before you do your shopping. It can be recharged at the service desk at any Kroger store. Simply go to the Service Desk and let them know the amount you want to place on the card. You can pay by check, cash, debit or credit card. Kroger keeps track of the amounts purchased on the cards linked to the Humane Society. The Humane Society receives 4% of the total amount spent through cards linked to us.

This is any easy, effortless way for the Humane Society to maintain a regular, steady income. It costs you nothing extra, and it goes to a good cause. So, get your card today and start Kroger-ing! You can pick up your card at the adoption center at 1410 Versailles Road.

Make This Christmas Extra Special With A Personalized Letter From Santa!

The Anderson Humane Society has teamed up with Santa Claus himself to bring your child their very own letter from Santa! Imagine the look of wonder and surprise when your child gets a letter from Santa Claus! As he or she reads their letter and giggles with delight, they'll see that Santa really does know all about them!

For only \$4.00 (tax deductible), Santa will send a personalized letter printed on colorful stationery that is sure to thrill children of all ages for years to come! We guarantee this will be a Christmas your child will never forget, and their eyes will just light up when they receive their letter from Santa.

Santa and Mrs. Claus are big animal lovers and have always been big supporters of the Humane Society, so as soon as we receive your order form, we will give it to Santa so that he can get your child's letter in the mail. Why is the Humane Society helping? Because with so many children around the world, Santa is a very busy man! And we want to do all we can to help him during the hectic holiday season!

Get more information on our website at www.andersonhumane.org or pick up your order form at the Adoption Center located at 1410 Versailles Road in Lawrenceburg.