



C.A.R.E.S. Cat Shelter Volunteer Application

Canadian Animal Rescue & Extended Shelter

www.carescatshelter.com

Date: _____

CONTACT INFORMATION

****Note: Please note that volunteers must be 18 years of age or older (except for medical care & adoption volunteers who must be 21 years of age or older). If you are required to complete volunteer hours for high school, then you can volunteer at the age of 16 – 17 with written permission from a parent or legal guardian. You must commit to completing the hours within a specific time frame which you can work out with C.A.R.E.S.**

Name: _____

Address: _____

I am 19 years of age or older Yes No (circle one)

If no, how old are you? _____

Phone #: _____ Email: _____

Emergency Contact: _____

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Preferred Volunteering Position (check all that apply):

- Shelter Cleaning Crew** -- This area is always our greatest need! Cleaning the shelter and feeding cats are done every morning, 7 days a week. We require volunteers who are committed and can spare approximately 2 to 3 hours per week (and of course you can visit with the kitties when the chores are done!)
- Langley PetSmart Adoptions** -- Adoptions are done in the Langley PetSmart Store. Luv-A-Pet is open weekday evenings (from 7 – 9 pm) and on weekends (12 – 4 pm). Volunteers screen potential adoptive parents and try to match the right cat with the right home.
- Medical Volunteers** -- Duties include administration of evening medication at the shelter, observation of cats, light housekeeping duties and closing shelter for the night. Time commitment is approx. 1.5 to 2 hours per week.
- Fostering**-- Foster homes are always needed for mother cats and their kittens, special needs cats, and cats that are stressed and need a break from the shelter. Your help in this area will make the cats and kittens more adoptable through your love and socialization.
- Kitty Kissers** -- This is a very important aspect of C.A.R.E.S. Our Kitty Kissers come in on a regular basis to the shelter and to Luv A Pet, inside PetSmart in Langley, to groom and spend time with our cats as well as do a few light chores. Your help in this area will make the cats and kittens more adoptable through your love and socialization. We require approximately 2 hours per week for these shifts.
- Fundraising (General)** – (This position is for volunteers who have been with C.A.R.E.S. for over 3 months.) We have regular fundraising events; Our Annual Family Fun Bowling Night, Walk-a-Thon, Pet

Photos with Santa (Santa Claws). Help is always needed to make these events run smoothly.

Fundraising (Meat Draws) -- C.A.R.E.S. has openings for volunteers to run our weekly meat draws at Jimmy Mac's Pub in Walnut Grove. You could help out for 2 hours once a month or if you really like to socialize, have fun and raise funds we would be happy to have you twice a month – whatever you have time for. You will be working with one other person selling meat draw tickets and talking about C.A.R.E.S. to those who want more information about the shelter. The draws are held Saturdays from 1:30 – 3:30 at Jimmy Macs Pub in Walnut Grove.

Newsletter/Website/Social Media – In order to produce our newsletter and update our website we need articles submitted about cats: your cat, adopted cats, cats in the shelter, rescue stories, etc. We need good quality photographs taken of the cats, the fundraising events and other events. We also need articles written about our dedicated volunteers in action.

Please describe your previous volunteer experience (with or without animals):

Have you had any previous education, training or experience with animal welfare?

If yes, specify: _____

AVAILABILITY TO VOLUNTEER

Monday (list times): _____

Tuesday (list times): _____

Wednesday (list times): _____

Thursday (list times): _____

Friday (list times): _____

Saturday (list times): _____

Sunday (list times): _____

This application is for the C.A.R.E.S. Cat Shelter Volunteer Program. I understand my services must be in conformance with the tasks described in the volunteer position description, which I have read and understand. I will perform these tasks on a volunteer basis for a minimum of 3 months, renewable upon mutual agreement. I understand that the information provided above is to the best of my knowledge and that it is my responsibility to be courteous in all contacts with the public and to follow the guidance and decisions of C.A.R.E.S. Cat Shelter.

Dated this _____ day of _____ 20__

Signature (parents and guardians for all minors)

Please Print Name