

Blount County Animal Center
Volunteer Application
233 Currie Ave, Maryville, TN 37804 (865) 980-6244

Date _____

Name _____
(Last) (First) (MI)

Address: _____
Street address City Zip Code

Email Address: _____
(PUT N/A IF YOU DON'T USE A COMPUTER)

Cell Phone: _____ Home Phone: _____

Emergency Contact: _____ Phone Number: _____

Please give your age if you are under 18 yrs of age. _____ Birth Date _____ (YYYY-MM-DD)

IMPORTANT: Ages 10-12 may volunteer in the small dog or cat room WITH a parent/guardian. Persons 13-15 yrs may work in big dog area with a parent if the Director approves. Ages 16 yrs and older may volunteer alone anywhere in the Center. Ages 16 and 17 must have parent/guardian sign the application indicating their permission. ALL VOLUNTEERS MUST ATTEND AN ORIENTATION CLASS. See orientation dates at the front desk or call the Animal Center to ask when the next orientation will occur. Classes are 2 hours long.

The Animal Center is open to volunteers at the following times:

Mon: 7:30 to 4 pm Tues - Fri: 7:30 am – 6 pm Sat: 7:30am – 4pm Sun: 7:30 am – 12noon

Why do you want to volunteer at the Blount County Animal Center? _____

How many and what kind of pets do you have at home? _____

Are you willing to commit to volunteer at least 2 hours a week? Yes ___ No ___

You may choose **ONE** of the following areas to start your volunteer work: Please circle the area you choose.

- 1) Walk Med/Big dogs 2) Walk Small dogs & puppies 3) Work in Cat Room
- 4) Foster dogs or cats 5) Work in Vetting/Surgery area (NOTE – you must have medical or science background, be a vet tech, veterinarian or be planning to train to be a vet tech or veterinarian)
- 6) Work photographing our animals for the BCAC website NOTE: You may work in more than one area

after you have successfully completed your 3 month volunteer-in-training period. Some exceptions may apply

IMPORTANT: You are expected to keep your commitment. If you can't come, let your area coordinator know **IN ADVANCE.** Please mark your volunteer days on your calendar. Please don't make other appointments at that time. Remember, the animals are counting on you!!!!

These areas also need volunteers: Transport Team Adoption Events Transport Drivers (CDL or F needed)

If you are interested in helping with the transport team, adoption events or other special events, **WATCH FOR EMAILS ANNOUNCING THEM.** Contact the **Transport Coordinator** if you have the CDL or F and would like to drive transports.

Your orientation will cover the rules and procedures of the BCAC. It will also cover the risks of working with animals who may be frightened. These risks are greatly minimized by your following the BCAC rules. The BCAC staff appreciates your commitment to volunteering and wants to help make your volunteer experience a rewarding one.

PLEASE READ AND INITIAL:

- 1) I am becoming a BCAC volunteer of my own free will and take any risks knowingly and by choice. _____
- 2) I acknowledge that there are potential risks to my person and property while dealing with the animals at BCAC. These risks include but are not limited to bites, scratches, zoonotic diseases and allergic reactions. I acknowledge that there is a possibility of an allergic reaction to cleaning products used at BCAC. _____
- 3) I agree to hold harmless the Blount County Government, its officers, employees and agents from any and all claims made by me arising from my volunteering at the BCAC or at any BCAC event. _____
- 4) I hereby waive and release the Blount County Government, its officers, employees, agents and representatives from any and all liability of any nature for injury or damage which I may suffer, including specifically, but without limitation, any injury or damage resulting from the action of any animals in the facility. I expressly assume the risk of such damage or injury while volunteering on the premises of the BCAC or the premises of any BCAC sponsored event. This waiver will remain in full force for the duration of my association with the BCAC. _____
- 5) I agree to abide by the rules and procedures presented to me during orientation at all times while volunteering at the BCAC or a BCAC event. _____
- 6) I acknowledge that my image may be captured while volunteering for BCAC and I give my permission to BCAC to use any images taken of me for public use. _____

Signature: _____ Date: _____

PARENT/GUARDIAN signature (for volunteers under 18 yrs) _____ Date _____