



# Giving to your local pet rescue

- ✓ **Money** - although for some people it may feel cold to donate money, this is by far and away the greatest need for most shelters. Vet bills are every shelter's biggest expense and a money donation helps cover the cost for surgeries, spay/neuter, medicine, etc.
- ✓ **Time** - volunteers are always needed
- ✓ **A place in your home** - many shelters need temporary foster homes for animals and they never seem to have enough. It's a rewarding experience from the comfort of your own home.
- ✓ **Towels** - all sizes, new or used
- ✓ **Food** - check with the shelter first to see if they have a preference for wet vs dry, etc.
- ✓ **Cat litter** - check with the shelter first to see what type they use
- ✓ **Plastic bags** - you know, those dozens and dozens of plastic grocery bags you've got stashed somewhere that you no longer need
- ✓ **Office supplies** - stamps, envelopes, pens, tape, note pads, sticky notes, Sharpies, dry erase markers, labels, etc.
- ✓ **Bedding** - Cat and dog beds, blankets, exotic animal bedding
- ✓ **Containment** - carriers or collapsable wire crates
- ✓ **Your photography skills** - great pictures can go a long way towards helping an animal get adopted. If you've got talent taking photos, stop by your local shelter and offer to take pics of their animals for them.
- ✓ **Maintenance tools** - items in good condition such as: screwdrivers, hammers, drills
- ✓ **Gift cards** - amazon, or local businesses such as pet stores
- ✓ **Cleaning supplies** - laundry detergent, dish soap, bleach, paper towels, Lysol wipes, etc.
- ✓ **Animal health supplies** - gauze, unopened saline bags, IV lines, hydrogen peroxide, surgical gowns/lab coats, syringes
- ✓ **Toys** - sturdy and washable for cats or dogs
- ✓ **Puppy pee pads**
- ✓ **Kleenex and toilet paper**
- ✓ **Latex & nitrile gloves**

