



AC ARF - saving lives, serving community

Anderson County Animal Rescue Foundation

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Welcome to AC ARF's first newsletter that will help keep you up to date with what AC ARF has been doing. The newsletter will also include helpful information, and each issue will include a feature article spotlighting one of our programs. Please feel free to share this newsletter. ❖

ABOUT AC ARF

AC ARF is a registered 501 c (3) non-profit rescue committed to promoting the welfare and humane treatment of animals. We believe pets are for life and deserve to live a healthy, happy life. Education plays an essential role in all our activities, and our programs are aimed at improving awareness and engaging our community to help us address the pet-related challenges our region faces. Board: Katrina & Joe Hall, Steven Newby, Melia Hayes, Jo Madding, Tonya & Kevin McCollum ❖

For the Love of Pets Pantry is a needs-based pet pantry that helps keep low income seniors and their pets together, and reduces the number of animals surrendered to shelters. Our monthly goal is to provide 50% of the food needed for each pet. Donations are distributed 10:00 am-12:00 pm on the 2nd Monday of each month to seniors registered in the program. Anderson County seniors age 60 and older who meet income guidelines are eligible to apply. For more information, call 865-457-3259. To register, visit the Anderson County Office on Aging and Senior Center, 195 Edgewood Avenue, Clinton.



Please help by donating food at any of these locations:

FEATURE – FOR THE LOVE OF PETS PANTRY

AC ARF's **For The Love Of Pets Pantry** provides low income seniors with pet food, supplies and preventatives. The pantry is sustained solely by donations and all donations go directly to the seniors and their pets. Over 1000 pounds of dry food is distributed monthly, helping feed 95 dogs and 82 cats, and more seniors enter the program each month. Pictured here are some of our volunteers who help pack, move and distribute donations. We couldn't do it without community support!



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| Agri Feed Pet Supply | 10621 Kingston Pike and 5716 Middlebrook Pike, Knoxville |
| Clinton Animal Hospital | 730 N Charles Seivers Blvd, Clinton |
| Clinton Farmer's Co-op | 110 S Charles Seivers Hwy, Clinton |
| Gunter Automotive | 2310 Clinton Hwy, Powell |
| Norris Animal Hospital | 15-2683 Andersonville Hwy, Clinton |
| Pet Supermarket | 6704 Clinton Hwy, Knoxville |
| Southern Bank of TN | 151 E Broad Street, Clinton |
| Take Charge Fitness | 1921 N Charles Seivers Blvd, Clinton |
| The Senior Center | 195 Edgewood Ave, Clinton |

We thank these businesses and Shelter Animals Rescue Group and A Chance for a Champ for their ongoing support. Grocery and pet store gift cards and monetary donations are also appreciated. Donations can be made online and checks (payable to AC ARF) can be mailed to PO Box 181, Clinton, TN 37717. ❖

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For more information, please call 865-414-2491 or email ACARF2018@gmail.com

PAST EVENTS

It has been a busy year for AC ARF with adoption, fundraising and educational events, adoptions, transports, rehoming, and helping with basic pet needs.

On July 27 we hosted our first **Pet Expo** at the Museum of Appalachia. It was a great success with over 150 animals, 1000 animal supporters, and 35 exhibitors attending to network and help save lives. Stay tuned for information on our 2nd Pet Expo in 2020. ❖



UPCOMING EVENTS

Furry Friends for Senior Citizens – AC ARF is privileged to have four University of Tennessee students fundraising for our Pet Pantry! Their goal is to raise \$1,200 for the program. Please visit their Indiegogo page for more information on how to contribute:

<https://www.indiegogo.com/projects>

2020 Anderson County Pet Expo - Planning for the 2nd Pet Expo has begun! Watch for updates on our website and Facebook page. 2019 Pet Expo t-shirts available to purchase @ \$5 or a donation of a 5 lb or more bag of kitten or puppy food. Interested? Send us an email ACARF2018@gmail.com ❖

PROGRAMS

OUTREACH AND EDUCATION PROGRAMS - Working with local organizations and schools, AC ARF provides educational programs and resources to educate our community to improve the lives of our pets. Informed pet owners means better lives for animals and helps keep pets out of the shelters.

PET SAFETY NET PROGRAMS - These programs help pet owners experiencing challenges caring for their pets, including rehoming and facilitating health care.

For The Love of Pets Pantry provides low income seniors with pet food, supplies and preventatives.

Retain/Rehome - Some pet owners need help to be able to keep their animals, and others need to find new homes for their pets. AC ARF helped rehome 25 pets, animals that now have a future. We also work with Go North and other transport collaboratives, and many lives are saved thanks to the dedication of these organizations and the service they provide.

AC ARF fostered Sweets and Sammie for 6 months to find just the right home. When Hulk's mama could no longer care for him because of health issues, we helped find him another home. These pets are now in loving homes and their former owners are much relieved they will be well looked after.



Health Care - AC ARF helps facilitate veterinary care for pet owners with support from community sponsors and partnerships. Buster and Padillia were able to have vital surgery, and we helped get Willow, a young cat with reduced vision, into a rescue that could provide the critical care she needed.

Spay/Neuter/Vaccination – AC ARF is determined to do all it can to ensure that all pets are altered and vaccinated. Partnering with animal caretakers, the Univ. of TN CAIT mobile Spay/Neuter clinic, and the Clinton Animal Hospital, AC ARF has facilitated spaying, neutering and vaccinating of 14 community cats. ❖