



TAPS Animal Adoption Center and Shelter in Need of Volunteers

PEKIN, IL—(September 16, 2005) As a non-profit organization, there are many ways to support TAPS. One of those ways is to give your time for walking and exercising the dogs along with training them and preparing them for adoption into a loving home. TAPS is in need of many good-hearted volunteers.

TAPS has a no-kill philosophy and animal lovers have long dreamed of the day when there will be no more homeless pets. Founded in 1958, TAPS is located on Allentown Road and is committed to providing a safe environment for homeless pets until they can be placed into permanent, loving homes. We take in and rehabilitate, sick and injured pets that have nowhere else to go, and we provide education to pet owners to ensure happier, healthier lives for companion animals. TAPS takes in approximately 800 animals per year.

Committed to helping reduce pet overpopulation, TAPS also offers a low cost spay/neuter program for people with a qualifying income. You may come in to TAPS or call for more information on the program.

At this time, TAPS is specifically looking for dog enthusiasts who want to learn positive training techniques to work with shelter dogs to prepare them for Canine Good Citizen testing. These volunteers must be available for a couple of hours during the week. Orientation will be completed with dog trainers in order to qualify as a shelter dog trainer. This volunteer is not just walking dogs, but is doing obedience training to help the dogs with behavioral issues to place them in a permanent home as quickly as possible.

Listed below are additional ways to volunteer and possibly make a new friend at TAPS. We are in need of adoption counselors and socializers, office workers, building and grounds maintenance, dog trainers, greeting customers and showing animals, groomers, shelter and cage cleaning, dog handlers at special events and field trips, along with vet runs. For a complete list, or to sign up as a TAPS volunteer, log on to our website at www.animalshelter.com. or visit TAPS.

For more information, contact TAPS at 309-353-8277.
