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How You Can Help AARF

The problem of pet overpopulation, abandonment and neglect is so large that many people—even those with the best of intentions—feel overwhelmed, helpless and unable to make a difference. But Atlanta Animal Rescue Friends Inc. (AARF) offers plenty of ways for you to help in ways that work for you. Here are just a few of the ways you can help.

Volunteer

Whether you have a lot of time or only a little, and whether you have a great deal of experience with animals or none at all, AARF has a way for you to pitch in and help. Do you have a special skill that you'd like to contribute? Let AARF know! Here are some of the things with which volunteers are needed to help: maintenance of donation locations, food and donation pickups, animal transportation, home visits, conducting of adoption events, posting flyers, and returning phone calls and e-mails. Call (678) 318-1886, ext. 103 or e-mail hillary@aarfatlanta.org and find the right fit for you today.

Foster

Providing foster care for a pet is definitely the most hands-on volunteer activity, and it is AARF's greatest need. As a foster parent, you will watch amazing transformations in your foster pet as he or she becomes healthy, confident and ready for a forever home. Being there for the happy endings of adoption are among the most rewarding volunteer experiences you can have. AARF pays for the vet care, food and supplies. You provide the shelter, love and socialization. If you are interested in finding out more about becoming a foster caregiver, call (678) 318-1886, ext. 102 or e-mail gwen@aarfatlanta.org.

Adopt

If you are ready for a commitment, and you're looking for a new addition to your family, meet the dogs and cats of AARF. All AARF pets have been spayed or neutered, received their vaccines and rabies shots, and cats have been tested for FIV/FeLV and dogs for heartworms. All AARF pets are fostered in loving foster homes, where they receive love and attention, beginning training and socialization, making them adoptable and healthy companions. The Friends of AARF pets also are looking for homes. These pets are often rescued by

individuals and need to find a permanent placement. If you are interested in adopting, call (678) 318-1886, ext. 101 or visit www.aarfatlanta.org and complete the adoption application.

Donate

Every dollar donated to AARF makes a difference! \$5 pays for food for a foster pet for one week; \$15 pays for a deworming for one puppy or kitten; \$25 pays for toys for a new foster pet; \$50 pays for a full set of vaccines; and \$75 pays for a spay/neuter for a new foster cat. You can donate by calling (678) 318-1886, ext. 104, or sending a check to Atlanta Animal Rescue Friends Inc., P.O. Box 5336, Atlanta, GA 31107. You also can visit www.aarfatlanta.org and donate through Paypal.