



**Bentonville Animal Services**

*Adopt. Educate. Advocate.*

801 SW 41<sup>st</sup> Street  
Bentonville, AR 72713

**Volunteer Application**

First Name: \_\_\_\_\_ Last Name: \_\_\_\_\_

Address: \_\_\_\_\_

City, State, Zip Code: \_\_\_\_\_

Date of Birth: \_\_\_\_\_ Email Address: \_\_\_\_\_

Primary Phone Number: \_\_\_\_\_ Secondary Phone Number: \_\_\_\_\_

Are you meeting a class or organization requirement for volunteer hours? (Circle one.)                      Yes                      No

Have you ever been convicted of any of the below? (Circle all that apply.)

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| Cruelty to animals            | Theft          | Drugs/Alcohol offense | Violent Offense |
| Inhumane treatment to animals | Sexual offense | None of the above     |                 |

If yes, please explain: \_\_\_\_\_

Area of Interest? See next page for description of each. (Circle all that apply.)

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| Events              | Dog Walking     | Cat Socialization | Adoption Advocacy  |
| Household Tasks     | Pet Bio Writing | Pet Photography   | Bathing & Grooming |
| Wherever I'm Needed |                 |                   |                    |

Before you can begin volunteering, you must complete an orientation session. Based upon your area of interest, the orientation will be held online or in-person. Please let us know if you need other accommodations by emailing [pets@bentonvillear.com](mailto:pets@bentonvillear.com) or calling 479-254-2055.



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### **Volunteer Application: Areas of Interest**

**Events:** We hold several events throughout the year. The goals of these events are to bring awareness to our department, as well as our adoptable animals, raise donations, and provide educational resources to citizens to promote responsible pet ownership. Some of the events we attend are: 4<sup>th</sup> of July Celebration, Yappy Hours, First Friday's, Farmer's Markets, Pups in the Park, and many more.

**Requirements:** If you are 15 years of age or younger, you must have a parent or guardian present at all times. You must be able to commit to your entire shift for each event you sign up for.

**Dog Walking:** Walking our Adoptable Dogs is a great way to help the dogs get exercise, but also helps with socialization, human interaction, and learning important manners so it is easier to find them their forever home.

**Requirements:** If you are 15 years of age or younger, you must have a parent or guardian present at all times. If you are 16 or 17 years of age, you do not have to have a parent or guardian present but must have a staff member or other approved volunteer (at least 18 years of age) with you at all times. All Dog Walker Volunteers must attend an in-person orientation session.

**Cat Socialization:** Socializing with cats gives them something to look forward to and can be the best part of their day. A socialized cat is more easily adopted into a forever home.

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**Adoption Advocacy:** The main purpose of being an Adoption Advocate is to help a pet find its forever home. There are multiple ways to be an Adoption Advocate that fit any lifestyle. You can help set up meet and greet meetings, go through potential adopter applications, post the pet on social media, or share the pet's details with everyone you know.

**Requirements:** Because of the multitude of ways to be an Adoption Advocate, the requirements will vary based on how you choose to help. Contact us to learn more by emailing [pets@bentonvillear.com](mailto:pets@bentonvillear.com) or calling 479-254-2055.

**Household Tasks:** Daily chores may not be glamorous, but are just as important to help out the animals in our care. These chores can range from laundry, washing dishes, or light clean-up around our facility.

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**Pet Photography:** If you are a photographer or just know how to work all the filters, you can help market our adoptable animals by taking eye-catching photos of each pet. Like the pet biography, the photos are often the first look potential adopters get when deciding to adopt a pet.

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**Pet Bio Writing:** If you are creative and have a way with words, you can showcase your skills by writing pet biographies for our adoptable animals. These biographies are often the first look potential adopters get when deciding to adopt a pet, and can be crucial when finding the right match for a forever home.

**Requirements:** There is no age limit, but you must be able to read, write, and type clearly. This work can be done from home. Contact us to learn more by emailing [pets@bentonvillear.com](mailto:pets@bentonvillear.com) or calling 479-254-2055.

**Bathing & Grooming:** A well-groomed pet is much more adoptable than a dirty-looking one! Also, the human interaction and socialization that comes when you bathe and/or groom a pet gives them valuable attention and makes it easier for the pet to find its forever home.

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