## Sample Volunteer Tasks:

Cat Socialization: playing, brushing, exercising.

**Event Support:** join a fundraising event committee. Share marketing for our events, help us raise lifesaving funding for our homeless pets.

**Photographer:** capture the beauty of our pets in need of homes. High quality photos will be used to promote adoptions on Facebook, Instagram, LRHS.net, and on printed materials.

**Building & Grounds Maintenance:** we are always in need of strong and loyal people to help us keep up with the constant cleaning (laundry, dishes, sweeping, mopping, etc.) as well as outdoor projects like snow removal, mowing, gardening, and landscaping.

Have a special skill or talent? Let us know!

# **Customer Service Tips**

Be polite, positive and helpful.

Present pets in optimistic ways. Rather than stating, "this dog hates kids" try "this dog prefers the company of adults."

If you're unsure about how to answer a public inquiry, ask a staff member.



# **Age Limitations:**

**Children** under 18 years old must be accompanied by a guardian at all times when at LRHS.

**Adults** 18+ may volunteer after they have submitted an application and have been admitted into the program by the Volunteer Coordinator.

# **Hours of Operation:**

LRHS is open to the public Tuesday - Saturday from 11 am to 4 pm, kennels close at 3:30pm.

Surrenders, nail trims, and most adoptions are done by appointment only.

**Volunteer Hours of Operation:** 8 am - 4 pm Monday- Sundays

### **Contact Us:**

Lakes Region Humane Society (LRHS)

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# VOLUNTEER BROCHURE





The little shelter with a big heart!

## **Volunteer Regulations**

Sign in and out at the front desk. This process is in place to track who is in the building in case of an emergency evacuation and to keep a tally on how awesomely dedicated you are!

- Keep the Volunteer Coordinator informed on any changes to your schedule.
- Follow directions from LRHS staff.
- If you are unsure of something ask. If you feel uncomfortable doing something don't do it or ask for help.
- If you're sick or driving conditions are unsafe, please stay home.
- Treat customers, staff and volunteers with respect. Act professionally. Honor the confidentiality policy.

#### **Dress Code**

Wear closed-toed shoes with good traction and support. For your own safety, if you wear heels, flip flops or other dangerous footwear, you will be asked to change shoes before volunteering.

Wear pants whenever possible so that your legs are protected from scratches and scrapes.

Clothing should be free of profanity and should cover your entire belly, back, chest and shoulders.

Wear "work clothes", you will get dirty...we can guarantee you that!

Please refrain from wearing earbuds or anything that mutes your senses.

## **LRHS History & Mission**

LRHS has been providing safe and compassionate shelter for lost, abused or unwanted animals since 1995 when we were originally located in Tuftonboro, NH. In 2005 we relocated to our current space, which used to be a farmhouse.

Our mission is to care for abused and abandoned dogs and cats, and provide them with food, exercise, warmth, and affection while we work towards finding them their ideal forever homes.

We are contracted to serve the surrounding towns of: Effingham, Ossipee, Wolfeboro, Freedom, Sandwich, Wakefield and Tuftonboro.

LRHS is a 501(c)(3), independent, non-profit organization. 100% of our fundraising efforts stay right here, at our facility, with our pets.



## How YOU can Help

#### Volunteer

**Step 1:** Complete a Volunteer Application in person or online at LRHS.net

**Step 2:** Our Volunteer Coordinator will reach out to schedule an orientation so we can show you the ropes.

**Step 3:** Volunteer; whether your preference is cat cuddling, facility maintenance, gardening or getting down and dirty to help us clean, we will be sure to find a job for you!

#### Foster

When LRHS takes in a cat or dog that needs more behavioral or medical help than we can handle, we call upon our foster parents. This program ensures these pets get the extra attention they require.

#### Join the Board of Directors

LRHS is always on the lookout for committed Board and/or committee members with specialized skillsets to help with fundraising, marketing and the future well being of LRHS. If you are interested in learning more call LRHS at 603-539-1077 and ask for the Executive Director.

#### Make a Donation!

