

PAWS ~ 2011 Volunteer Application

PAWS is a no/kill animal care, adoption and education center for homeless cats and dogs that advocates the humane treatment of all animals. We are dedicated to providing quality care, including medical and emotional support, to homeless animals during this difficult transition in their lives. Our volunteer team is key to the quality of our services. Acceptance into the volunteer program is at the discretion of the Volunteer Coordinators and depends on the availability of positions at the time of application. We ask volunteers who participate in on-site activities to make a six-month commitment to PAWS. We also schedule special projects with individuals and businesses.

All potential volunteers must attend an orientation and participate in an interview before joining our volunteer team. We also require that all on-site volunteers receive basic training during the first two days of their service at PAWS. If you are under 16 years of age, an adult who has attended our orientation must accompany you when you perform volunteer work at our center. Please fill out this application if you are willing to take the steps necessary to become part of our team. Your responses will help us find the most appropriate match between your skills and the center's needs. You can return your application through the mail or in person. Thank you for your interest!

Your Background Information

1. Name: _____ 2. Birthday: _____
(optional)
3. Physical Address: _____
street city zip
4. Mailing Address: _____
street city zip
5. Telephone #s: Home _____ Work _____ Cell _____
6. Email: _____
7. Are you employed? Yes No May we contact you at work? Yes No
8. What type of work do you do? _____
9. Employer's Name, Address: _____
10. Do you have (or have you had) pets? Yes No What kind? _____
11. If you have pets, are they spayed/neutered and up to date on vaccinations?
Yes No _____
Name of Veterinarian
12. Do you have experience working with animals? Yes No
Please describe: _____

■ Your Volunteer Experience and Interests

1. Do you have volunteer experience? Yes No

If yes, please describe: _____

2. Please describe your education or training – *including on-the-job please!*

3. Do you have special skills, interests or hobbies you would be willing to apply to your volunteer work with us? See the list below for ideas, but please don't be shy!!

	Animal Handling		Word Processing
	Sewing		Painting
	Carpentry		Computers
	Fundraising		Photography
	Maintenance		Newsletter
	Arts & Crafts		Campaigns
	Advertising		Public Relations

4. If you checked animal handling, please indicate the animals you are comfortable handling and working with:

	Small/Med Dogs		Med/Large Dogs
	Puppies		Cats
	Kittens		

5. Do you have any physical limitations including allergies or disorders that would impair your ability to perform as a volunteer without supplemental assistance? Please explain: _____

6. Are you applying for volunteer work as a personal choice or is it required of you in some way?

If your work is required as part of a job training or other program, please fill out Attachment A.

7. Do you have your own transportation? Yes No

8. Would you be willing to transport animals or other volunteers in your personal vehicle as part of your volunteer work? Yes No

9. If yes to #8, do you have a valid ME Driver's License? Yes No
License #: _____ Expiration: _____

10. Does your personal vehicle have liability insurance? Yes No
Insurance Carrier: _____

11. Excluding traffic violations, have you ever been convicted of any criminal offense?
Yes No

12. Do you have any concerns about volunteering at PAWS?

13. Please indicate the days and times you would be available to help. We schedule on-site volunteer activities that involve animal care in 3-hour time blocks, typically from 9-12 Sun - Sat or 1-4 Fri/Sat. Please note that we schedule projects to meet the needs of PAWS & our volunteers, sometimes on weekends or evenings.

Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday	Sunday

14. Please provide the names and contact information for two references who are not family members, one who has supervised your past work:

Name Phone #

Name Phone #

The above information is accurate and true to the best of my knowledge. I understand that this application does not guarantee acceptance and/or placement into the PAWS Volunteer Program.

Volunteer Signature Date

Parent/Guardian Signature (required if under 18) Date

PAWS 2011 Volunteer Application – Attachment A:

Please provide the following information if your work at PAWS is required as part of a training program such as ABLE or ASPIRE or another community service activity:

Past Employer Dates of Employment FT or PT Job Title