PBC Animal Care and Control in urgent need of fosters

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Palm Beach County Animal Care and Control in Urgent Need of Fosters

Palm Beach County Department of Public Safety's Division of Animal Care and Control (PBCACC) is urging the community to foster as the number of dogs in the shelter has risen to over 200. With only 144 kennels, two dogs are now being paired in one kennel space. PBCACC staff is working overtime to ensure quality care, but they need the community's help.

PBCACC is seeking 15 to 20 Foster Ambassadors. Foster Ambassadors foster a dog with the goal of finding them a forever home. Fostering frees up kennel space for another homeless dog in need. All the supplies (food, leash, collar, crate and preventatives) are provided for those who decide to foster.

The Foster Ambassador program is very convenient for the foster parent. Fostering is flexible, and it provides an amazing companion. It also provides a great opportunity to give back to the community, and all supplies are provided at no cost.

Fostering benefits the dogs in many ways. Through fostering, dogs learn one-on-one love, and it reduces their stress levels, helping them stay healthy. Also, the dogs get to experience more about life in a new home. Fostering makes much-needed space for another homeless dog, and it provides the opportunity for the dogs to be showcased to potential adopters.

Those interested in fostering can meet their perfect match in person or online at <u>https://secure.co.palm-beach.fl.us/snap/home</u>. The foster application is completed in person at PBCACC. No appointment is <u>needed</u>.

The animal viewing hours are: Monday to Friday, noon to 6 p.m.; Saturday, noon to 5 p.m.; and Sunday, noon to 4 p.m.

PBCACC is located at 7100 Belvedere Road in West Palm Beach, just west of the Florida Turnpike. For

more information, please call (561) 233-1200 or visit the web site, <u>www.pbcgov.com/animal</u>.

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