

PBC Animal Care & Control offering \$4 adoptions

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Animal Care and Control Announces \$4 Adoptions to Alleviate Overcapacity Crisis

In response to a critical overcapacity crisis, Animal Care and Control (PBCACC) is launching an initiative to encourage community members to adopt animals in need. Throughout the month of July, all pet adoption fees are \$4.

PBCACC has been facing a significant increase in the number of abandoned, stray and surrendered animals in recent months, which has led to the unsustainable situation of having over 400 animals in its care. The capacity for care is stretched to the limit, prompting PBCACC to take immediate action. By reducing the adoption fee to an affordable \$4, the organization hopes to remove any financial barriers and encourage compassionate individuals to open their hearts and homes to these deserving animals.

"The current overcapacity crisis is a pressing issue that requires the collective efforts of our entire community," stated Jan Steele, division director. "We urge everyone who is able to consider adopting a pet during this time. By doing so, you not only provide a second chance for these animals but also alleviate the strain in our community. This population crisis is a nationwide problem."

For those unable to adopt permanently, fostering is another valuable option that can make a significant difference. Fostering offers a lifeline to animals who might otherwise face the distressing reality of remaining in an overcrowded shelter. PBCACC welcomes individuals and families interested in fostering to email ACCFoster@pbcgov.org to get started. PBCACC offers short-term and long-term fostering options, and all the supplies are provided for free.

"We understand that adopting a pet is a huge commitment, and it may not be feasible for everyone," said Steele. "But fostering is a fantastic way to make an immediate impact and contribute to our cause. It allows animals to experience the love, care and stability they need while freeing up space in our facility for other vulnerable animals."

To explore the wide array of pets available for adoption or fostering, interested individuals can browse the online gallery of adoptable pets at <https://secure.co.palm-beach.fl.us/snap/home> or visit the PBCACC facility in person.

No appointment needed. Adoption Center hours are Monday through 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 visit the website, www.pbcgov.com/animal

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