



HUMANE SOCIETY

FOR HAMILTON COUNTY

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YOUTH FUNDRAISING TOOLKIT

WELCOME

You're making a difference!



Dear young animal advocates,

Thank you for your interest in hosting a fundraiser for the Humane Society for Hamilton County (HSHC)! We are excited that you want to become an animal advocate to help the thousands of animals we care for each year. Your generous support helps us ensure that we can continue giving each animal the best chance at a second chance

Did you know fundraising ideas are limitless?! The following information is merely a brief overview of all the ways you can support HSHC. Fundraisers can range from bake sales or sports tournaments to supply drives and penny wars.

I look forward to working with you to help our community's cats and dogs,



Lily Darling, Community Engagement Manager

GUIDELINES

In order to ensure your fundraiser is successful:

- You need a supervising adult(s) who will be responsible for overseeing your fundraiser.
- We would like people to know who you are helping! When you refer to us please use “Humane Society for Hamilton County”. Our social media handle is @HamiltonHumane.
- We enjoy highlighting youth fundraisers but due to scheduling and limited resources, we cannot always guarantee your photo will be published on our social media pages.
- Due to the volume of events in which we are involved, we cannot provide staff, animals, or volunteers to attend your event.



If you are interested in having an HSHC representative come to your school to give a presentation or if you would like to participate in our Scout Program, please contact our Community Engagement Manager at 317-674-0645 or communityengagement@hamiltonhumane.com.

FUNDRAISING IDEAS

Below are a few suggestions for fundraising ideas to help the cats and dogs of the Humane Society for Hamilton County.

Have your own fundraising idea? We'd love to hear it!

Just Ask!

It may seem obvious, but sometimes it's the simplest and most effective method of getting people to donate. Explain to people what you're raising funds for. It's simple!

Be an Entrepreneur

Create artwork, jewelry or a craft to sell to family and friends and donate the proceeds to HSHC.

Become a Chef

Stay cool and sell lemonade at a lemonade stand or at a sporting event. Cold weather? Keep warm by selling hot chocolate and cookies!

Have a Birthday Coming Up?

Ask your family and friends for monetary or item donations instead of gifts.

Offer Your Talents

Wrap Christmas gifts or host a car wash service to collect donations for our cats and dogs.

Get Competitive

Encourage your classmates or school community to donate their spare change in a Pennies for Pets fundraiser while creating a bit of competition.





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COMMUNITY SERVICE ACTIVITIES

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The Enrichment Program at the Humane Society for Hamilton County aims to enhance the lives of the cats and dogs in our care as they wait for their forever homes. Daily enrichment aids animals in avoiding depression, minimizing boredom and anxiety, while providing mental and physical stimulation.

Catnip Toys

We provide a happy and healthy environment for our cats awaiting adoption, which includes giving them plenty of toys. One of their favorites is catnip-filled socks. All you need is baby socks and dried catnip!

Instructions:

- Add a wad of catnip in the center – a teaspoon should work
- Tie off the top
- You're done!

Host a Donation Drive for our Cats

The cats in our care receive enrichment on a daily basis, and we hope to continually provide them with as much enjoyment as possible. Enrichment can be provided through food, furniture, toys, and olfactory stimulants. These stimuli increase the cats' overall well-being as well as their likeliness of being adopted.

The following items are needed for our Cat Enrichment Program:

- Catnip
- Pipe cleaners
- Canned Cat Food
- Cat Calming Collars
- Pheromone Plugins

More items can be found on our shelter wish list at [HSHCWishList.com](https://www.hamiltonhumane.com/wish-list).



Feline Snuffle Mats

Cats love a good puzzle! Help provide mental stimulation for our adoptable cats by creating a snuffle mat.

Supplies needed:

- A rubber anti-fatigue mat with holes
- Sharp scissors
- One yard of fleece fabric

Instructions:

- For a large snuffle mat, cut the rubber anti-fatigue mat to 10"x12"
- Cut the fleece into 7" strips (you'll need as many strips as there are holes in the mat)
- Double knot the strips along the entire edge of the mat
- Loop the strips through each hole, filling the inside of the mat
- Flip the mat over
- Take another strip of fleece and double knot the strips on the opposite direction of your first set
- Continue to loop the strips through the holes

You're done!



Host a Donation Drive for our Dogs

The dogs in our care require daily enrichment while they wait for their forever homes. In addition to toys and treats, a few basic supplies are needed for adoption to ensure their new families are ready to bring them home.

The following items are needed for the dogs at our shelter:

- Rawhide-Free Rawhides
- Large Nylabones
- Soft Treats
- Peanut Butter
- Squeeze Cheese



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Have you completed a community service activity or fundraiser for the Humane Society for Hamilton County? Contact our Community Engagement Manager to coordinate a drop-off visit at 317-674-0645 or communityengagement@hamiltonhumane.com.