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PAWS CHICAGO SPRING ADOPT-A-THON KICKS OFF FRIDAY, APRIL 8

As Spring Litter Season Begins, Adoption Marathon Aims to Find Homes for Homeless Pets

April 4, 2022 (CHICAGO, IL) – [PAWS Chicago](https://pawschicago.org), the city's largest No Kill humane organization, will host its annual Spring Adopt-A-Thon on Friday, April 8 through Saturday, April 16. To help match homeless dogs, cats, puppies, and kittens with a loving home, the PAWS Chicago Lincoln Park Adoption Center will extend its adoption hours and add additional adoption appointments for this lifesaving, week-long adoption marathon.

From litters of irresistible kittens and cuddly puppies to active teenage dogs and bonded adult cats, the Spring Adopt-a-thon will feature a wide variety of pets to suit every household. Adoptions are by appointment, and walk-ins are welcome to visit but subject to space availability.

"As the weather warms up even more litters are born, which contributes to the homeless pet population and increases the need for adopters," said Susanna Homan, PAWS Chicago Chief Executive Officer. "We host the adopt-a-thon because every time a family takes an animal home, they open space for PAWS Chicago to save another life."

By rallying the community and generating more adoptions, PAWS can take in and save more dogs and cats from high-risk shelters.

During their appointments, prospective adopters can meet all the available animals and walk through the adoption process with staff and volunteers. Interested adopters are encouraged to check the PAWS Chicago website daily as new animals will be added.

PAWS Chicago offers extensive resources to help pets make a seamless transition into their new homes and provides a lifetime safety net for every animal, ensuring that if something happens to the adopter, their PAWS pet will always be cared for.

View the adoptable pets and schedule an adoption appointment at: www.pawschicago.org/adopt.

Download photos of adoptable animals [here](#).

WHAT: PAWS Chicago's 10th Annual Spring Adopt-a-Thon

WHERE: PAWS Chicago Lincoln Park Adoption Center
1997 N. Clybourn Avenue, Chicago IL 60614

WHEN: Friday, April 8, through Saturday, April 16, 2022

- *Media are encouraged to **meet adoptable animals and interview PAWS Chicago spokespersons before doors open from 10:30-11:30 a.m. on Friday, April 8.***
- *Interview opportunities are also available throughout the week-long event, please email media@pawschicago.org to coordinate.*

COVERAGE

OPPORTUNITIES:

- Live shots
- Photos and video of adoptable dogs, puppies, cats, and kittens
- Interviews with PAWS Chicago spokespersons and volunteers
- New pet parents adopting cats and dogs
- Pre-event interview opportunities

For interview inquiries and more information, please email media@pawschicago.org.

About PAWS Chicago

PAWS Chicago (Pets Are Worth Saving) is a national model in No Kill animal sheltering, committed to bringing an end to the killing of homeless cats and dogs. As Chicagoland's largest No Kill shelter, and one of the largest in the nation, PAWS has led the reduction of the number of homeless pets killed in the city by over 91% since its founding in 1997.

PAWS Chicago finds homes for 5,000 dogs and cats annually through its adoption centers and operates one of the largest high volume free and low-cost spay/neuter clinics in the country, performing thousands of spay/neuter surgeries every year for communities that need the most help in controlling pet population. In 2020, PAWS opened the nation's premier medical hospital for homeless pets which provides treatment for sick and injured dogs and cats in Chicagoland and from shelter partners in 13 states where pets are most at risk of euthanasia.

Charity Navigator, the nation's largest independent evaluator, has rated PAWS Chicago at its highest 4-star ranking for 19 consecutive years—an accomplishment that less than 1% of the charities in the nation have reached. For more information, visit www.pawschicago.org and follow PAWS Chicago on [Facebook](#), [Twitter](#), and [Instagram](#).