

Mt. Pleasant Animal Shelter

Our vision is a community where there are no abused, abandoned, neglected, or homeless animals.

Thank you for caring about animals and taking action to help animals in need!



Mt Pleasant Animal Shelter started in 1972 with a group of concerned citizens who met to discuss the formation of an animal league as a result of a letter to the editor in the Caldwell Progress. Three months later the Wessex Animal League (WAWL) is incorporated. WAWL opened an adoption center on Saturdays at Caldwell Community Center in Caldwell. Now more than 40 years later, Mt. Pleasant Animal Shelter takes in over 1,000 animals and proudly finds loving homes for our dogs and cats. Mt. Pleasant not only continues to help homeless dogs and cats find homes, but also educates the community to be responsible pet owners.

What is a Nonprofit?

MPAS is a nonprofit organization. Nonprofit organizations work for a good cause and for the good of a specific group. In MPAS' case, we work for the animals! Nonprofits do not make money by selling a product. Instead, they rely on support from their communities to operate and continue their good work. MPAS is able to help animals because of all our wonderful friends in our community.



How You Can Help

If you love animals and have time or talent to donate, you can help! Here you will find many ways to help MPAS and our animals!

Become a Foster Family

Every year MPAS cares for more than 1,000 kittens, cats, puppies, and dogs. Many of these homeless animals arrive either too young or too sick to be adopted immediately. This is where our foster families help us by providing a loving home to our animals before they are available for adoption.



Our foster families provide a temporary home for these animals in need, giving lots of love, preventing overcrowding at MPAS, and having fun! Many times kittens and puppies simply need a bit more time to grow before being adopted into their forever home. Adult cats or dogs may just need to get over a cold before being available for adoption.

If your family is considering adopting a cat or dog, fostering is a wonderful way to see if you are ready for such a big responsibility!

As fostering involves the whole family, a parent or guardian will need to meet with the MPAS Foster Coordinator to get started. Please email foster@njshelter.org for more details.



Mutts Mania

What is better than spending a day with our dogs? Spending a day with lots of dogs, all while helping MPAS!



Mutts Mania is one of our biggest fundraisers, held very September. You can join in the fun with friends and family to celebrate our canines! Each year we welcome more than 2,000 people and their dogs to enjoy a day of shopping, dog events, and contests. We love when our friends attend the event with their canine companions, but we also need help with decorations, working the event, and participants in our contests. For more information, you can email Christine@njshelter.org



FUNdraiser for the Animals

MPAS is a nonprofit organization. This means we are funded and able to care for thousands of animals each year because of kind people like you!

There are many ways to organize a FUNdraiser. You can host a donation drive, have a garage sale to benefit or dogs and cats, or even donate your day! Remember, the best part of a FUNdraiser is the FUN you have while helping animals!



Tips To Get You Started

-Set a Goal

Before planning your fundraiser, set a realistic goal to work toward. Your goal can be to raise enough funds to help a dog on the Road to Happiness, sponsor a dog or cat for a month, two months, or a year, or even help donate towards specific medical costs. Or you can set a monetary goal. Do you want to raise \$50, \$100, or even \$500? Every donation makes a difference for our animals! If you want to collect items from our wish as well as funds, please see the Wish List for Animals in this guide.

-What kind of FUN?

Decide on a fundraiser that will be the most fun for you. Or use your imagination and create an entirely new idea.

-Decide on a Timeframe

Planning your time is very important and essential to meeting your goal. Are you going to host a garage sale for one day, or donate your day and collect donations for a month?

-Make Your Own Fundraiser Webpage! (Optional)

If you are interested in collecting supplies for our animals, you can set up your own YouGiveGoods.com website. This allows people to donate to our shelter in your honor without having to purchase and transport actual goods. YouGiveGoods.com handles the purchasing and delivery of products to MPAS.

-Share the FUN!

Be sure to contact friends and family to let them know you will be hosting a FUNdraiser to benefit the homeless dogs and cats at Mt Pleasant Animal Shelter. Be sure to share with them why you care about animals and decided to help MPAS. You can also create fun flyers to advertise your event. You can receive digital copies of our adoptable pets by emailing Christine@njshelter.org.

-Keep Track

Make sure you keep track of all the people who help you reach your goal. Print out the FUNdraiser Journal in this guide to write down all donations not given online.

-Send a Friendly Reminder

A few days before your end date, send a friendly reminder for everyone to make their last minute donations.

- Celebrate and Measure Your Success

Did you reach your goal? Add up the donations you collected and fill out the FUNdraiser and Wish List Donation Form in this guide.

- Share with Us

We love to hear about kids' FUNdraiser success! Send an email to Christine@njshelter.org and tell us your name and your FUNdraiser story. If you include a photo, please be sure to let us know if we can use that photo on our Facebook, website, or newsletter to share your success.

- Mail or Deliver to MPAS

All donations can be mailed to us at 194 Route 10 West, East Hanover, NJ 07936 or dropped off at the shelter. If you will be dropping off donations at the shelter and would like a small tour, please email Christine@njshelter.org to set up an appointment.

- Send Your Thanks

Send a thank you to everyone that helped make your FUNdraiser a success! Digital photos of our animals to include in your letters can be provided by emailing Christine@njshelter.org.

-Thanks to YOU!

Once donations arrive at MPAS, we will send you a thank you note for all of your hard work to help our animals. Thank you!

*Note to parents, teachers, and group leaders: Donations to MPAS are tax deductible.

Donate Your Special Day

You can donate supplies, you can donate your time, but have you ever heard of donating your day? Each year, MPAS receives donations from very generous kids who decide to ask for donations to help animals instead of gifts for their Birthday, Communion, or Bar/Bat Mitzvah. Wow! We are very lucky to have such kind and compassionate kids helping our animals!

Some tips:

- Include information about MPAS in your party invitations.
- Share with your guests why you care about animals.
- You can request donations or gifts for the animals from the MPAS Wish List.
- If you create your own MPAS FUNdraiser or YouGiveGoods.com webpage, family and friends from all over can join in the fun.



How Your Donations Help Animals

-Feed All Cats and Dogs at MPAS

MPAS cares for over 1,000 dogs and cats every year! That is a lot of mouths to feed! Sometimes, our dogs or cats need special food based on their age, their health, or their weight. We are only able to help so many animals with support from people like you.

- Microchip

What is a microchip? A microchip is a tiny computer chip, about the size of a grain of rice that a veterinarian places just under a dog or cat's skin. The chip has all the information that would also be on a collar and ID tags: name, address, and phone number, but it can never fall off like a collar. If a dog or cat ever becomes lost, MPAS, or other shelters and veterinarian offices have special scanners that can read the chip. The family is then contacted and reunited with their pet. All dogs and cats adopted from MPAS have a microchip, ensuring a safe return home if lost.

-Spaying and Neutering

Every year 6-8 million homeless cats and dogs arrive at a shelter. Sadly, there are more cats and dogs than there are homes. Spaying(female) and neutering(male) is a simple , but important surgery for cats and dogs. It ensures that more kittens and puppies are not born without homes, it also help the cats and dogs to be healthier. Every cat or dog adopted from MPAS has already been spayed or neutered.



-Vaccines/ Heartworm, Flea and Tick Preventative

Our dogs and cats are given all age appropriate vaccines, as well as Heartworm preventative and Flea and Tick preventative. This makes sure that they remain healthy and are protected from serious illness.

-Road to Happiness

Many of our dogs come from shelters several hours away. A \$60.00 sponsorship will help cover the costs associated with transport. These costs include fecal exams, heartworm testing, health certificates, and other necessary fees. Each sponsorship we receive helps to continue to save lives. Sponsors will be identified on the kennel of each dog. If you are interested in Road to Happiness please email Christine@njshelter.org.

-Sponsor-A-Pet

For as little as \$20 per month, you can sponsor a dog or cat while it awaits a new family. You can choose the animal yourself or our staff can choose one for you. You will receive monthly updates on your animal's progress, as well as a photo of your sponsored pet! If you are interested in Sponsor-A-Pet, please email info@njshelter.org or send in our sponsorship form in this guide.

Wish List **ADOPT**

194 Route 10 West
East Hanover, NJ 07936
abby@njshelter.org
973.386.0590
www.njshelter.org

1. Paper Towels



2. Germicidal Bleach



8.25%
Sodium Hypochlorite

3. Gift Cards



4. Non-clumping Clay Cat Litter, Unscented



5. Stamps, Forever & Postcard



6. Martingale Dog Collars Small, Medium, Large



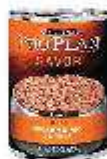
7. Friskies Pate Wet Cat Food



8. Cat Toys



9. ProPlan Wet Dog & Puppy Food



10. ProPlan Small Breed Dry Dog & Puppy Food



11. Dog Collars, Small, Medium & 6' Leashes



12. ProPlan Dry Cat & Kitten Food



13. Garbage Bags, 42 gallon



14. HE Liquid Laundry Detergent



15. Copy Paper, 8.5 x 11



Generic Wish List 011717

Check out our Amazon Wish List, www.amazon.com/gp/registry/wishlist/ref=nav_err_wishlist



MPAS Kid's FUNdraiser and Donation Drive Donation Form

Your First and Last Name:	
Parent/Guardian Name:	
Age:	
Address:	
City/State/Zip:	
Home Phone:	
Email:	
Name of School/Group:	
FUNdraiser (monetary) Gift:	\$ _____ Please circle: Cash Check Credit
Donation Drive (in-kind) Gift:	\$ _____ Estimated Value

Please list the item(s) donated:

Is this donation the result of a special occasion or project? If yes, please explain:



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Sponsor-A-Pet - Sponsor-An-Adoption

Mt. Pleasant Animal Shelter offers several levels of sponsorship that help us care for our homeless cats and dogs, up to and including their adoption.

Name: _____

Address: _____

City, ST, Zip: _____

Daytime Phone: _____ Email: _____

<i>I'd like to sponsor (pet's name):</i> _____	<i>Please choose an animal for me:</i> <input type="checkbox"/> Cat <input type="checkbox"/> Dog <input type="checkbox"/> Either
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I'd like the sponsor tag to read: Sponsored by: _____

Sponsorship Options:

1) **Basic Sponsorship** (full or partial support, which goes towards medical needs, food, and miscellaneous care):

<input type="checkbox"/> Full Sponsorship \$100 per month:	<i>I will be sponsoring my pet for:</i> <input type="checkbox"/> 1 month <input type="checkbox"/> 3 months <input type="checkbox"/> 6 months <input type="checkbox"/> 1 year <input type="checkbox"/> Ongoing
<input type="checkbox"/> Partial Sponsorship per month (please select one): <input type="checkbox"/> \$25 <input type="checkbox"/> \$50 <input type="checkbox"/> \$75	

***Note: If your pet is successfully adopted before your sponsorship runs out, we will work with you to select another pet.**

2) **Sponsor-An-Adoption:**

<i>Full financial support (one-time fee) making it possible for someone else to adopt a specific cat or dog at no charge:</i>	<input type="checkbox"/> Cat \$125 <input type="checkbox"/> Dog \$250
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***Note: Donor may combine a partial basic sponsorship and adoption sponsorship if they choose.**

3) **Full Sponsorship:**

<i>You pay the upfront cost for adoption, plus full monthly sponsorship for the duration of a pet's stay at Mt. Pleasant Animal Shelter:</i>	<input type="checkbox"/> Cat = \$125 plus \$100 per month for each of the remaining months <input type="checkbox"/> Dog - \$250 plus \$100 per month for each of the remaining months
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***Note: Full Sponsors will have the opportunity to renew their sponsorship with another pet once their pet is successfully adopted.**

Please provide Credit Card information if you are continuing your gift on a monthly basis.

Please continue my donations for: 3 months 6 months 1 Year Ongoing

Dollar Amount: \$ _____

Visa MasterCard American Express Discover

Card No. _____ Exp _____ V-Code _____

Signature: _____ Date: _____

Check enclosed \$ _____ Cash enclosed \$ _____

On behalf of the animals and staff at Mt Pleasant Animal Shelter, we would like to thank you for your interest in helping us continue our life saving mission.

Mt Pleasant Animal Shelter is a non-profit 501(c)3 animal welfare organization that is 100% funded by donations. Our mission is threefold:

- ❖ To provide exceptional care for homeless animals
- ❖ To promote spaying/neutering, microchipping, and humane education.
- ❖ To place homeless cats and dogs in permanent, loving homes.

At Mt Pleasant Animal Shelter, no animal is ever euthanized for lack of space.

For more information, please visit us at www.njshelter.org



