

# **VOLUNTEER APPLICATION**

The Humane Society of Richland County is working to prevent cruelty towards animals, relieve suffering, extend education, and to provide leadership in a countrywide effort towards achieving these goals.

### The Humane Society of Richland County is a 501c3 non-profit organization.

All revenue is obtained though bequests, donations, shelter services, and private fund-raising events. The Humane Society of Richland County receives no financial assistance from local, state, or government taxes.

Please Print Neatly and Clearly

			Do	ate:	
Name:					
Phone:	<del>-</del>	Email:			
(Email is the b	est, most cost efficient	t way for us to conta	ct you—if you h	ave an email, please l	ist it)
Date of Birth (if under	r 18, please list year) _	//	Do you hav	ve a Facebook? Yes _	No _
Address:					
City:		State: _	Z	lip Code:	
Employer:	Occupation:				
Emergency Contact:	;		Phone:		
Do you have previou	s training or experienc	ce with animals?			
Do you have any alle	ergies?				
Which animals do yo	u prefer to work with?	(Please mark all tho	at apply)		
Dogs	Cats	Small Mamr	mals	Reptiles	
Which areas would y	ou prefer to volunteer	to help with? (Pleas	se mark all that	apply)	
At the Shelter	Special E	vents I	Fundraising	Other	
Do you have any limi	itations that we should	d be aware of? (Hec	avy lifting, limited	d walking, etc.) Yes	No _
f yes, please explain	:				
s this (court ordered)	community service?	Yes No	Is this for a so	chool project? Yes	No _
Have you even beer	n convicted of a misde	emeanor or felonv?	Yes No		

Do you currently have pets? Yes No Please List:
Please summarize your experience with animals and working with the public:
How did you hear about the Humane Society of Richland County?
What do you hope to gain from your volunteer experience from the Humane Society of Richland County?
How will the Humane Society of Richland County benefit by accepting you into our program?

## Liability Waiver and Release Agreement

In consideration of being permitted by Humane Society of Richland County to participate as a volunteer and/or participant and/or attendee, I hereby agree that I will assume full responsibility for the death, personal injury, or property damage suffered or sustained by me as a result of or in connection with my participation as a volunteer and/or participant and/or attendee. I agree, therefore, to indemnify Humane Society of Richland County (and its Officers, Employees, Agents, Volunteers, Contractors and Board of Directors) from and against all liability, claims, demands, damages, judgments, and costs for or arising from my death or personal injury or damage to my property, suffered or sustained by me as a direct or indirect result of my participation as volunteer and/or participant and/or attendee; even if such death, personal injury or property damage arise out of the negligence of Humane Society of Richland County (or any of its Officers, Employees, Agents, Volunteers, Contractors and Board of Directors). I further agree that I will not make any claims against, sue, attach the property of, or prosecute Humane Society of Richland County (and its Officers, Employees, Agents, Volunteers, Contractors and Board of Directors) for any death, personal injury, or property damage, whatever the cause or place of the event giving rise to the claim, which I may suffer or sustain as a result of or in connection with my participation as volunteer and/or participant and/or attendee. In addition, I hereby release and discharge Humane Society of Richland County (and its Officers, Employees, Agents, Volunteers, Contractors and Board of Directors) from all actions, claims or demands that I now have or may hereafter have for any death, personal injury, or property damage arising out of or in connection with my being a volunteer and/or participant and/or attendee. This release of liability is intended to discharge in advance, Humane Society of Richland County (and its Officers, Employees, Agents, Volunteers, Contractors and Board of Directors) from and against any and all liability to me or any person claiming under, through or on behalf or

either of me arising out of or connected in any way with my participation as volunteer and/or participant and/or attendee even though that liability may arise out of negligence on the part of Humane Society of Richland County (and its Officers, Employees, Agents, Volunteers, Contractors and Board of Directors). I further understand that the behavior of animals is sometimes unpredictable and that some domestic animals are capable of inflicting serious personal injury or death, as well as extensive property damage. Knowing the risks of handling domestic animals; nevertheless, I hereby agree to assume those risks and to release, indemnify and hold harmless Humane Society of Richland County and persons mentioned above who might otherwise be liable to me for damages. It is understood and agreed that this Indemnity, Waiver and Release of Liability is intended to be binding on me and my heirs, distributes, guardians, legal representatives or assigns. I HAVE READ THIS PROVISION CAREFULLY AND FULLY UNDERSTAND ITS CONTENTS. I AM AWARE THAT THIS IS AN INDEMNITY, WAIVER AND RELEASE OF LIABILITY AND A CONTRACT BETWEEN Humane Society of Richland County, MYSELF, AND I SIGN IT OF MY OWN FREE WILL. \_\_\_\_\_\_\_ (please initial)

### **Code of Conduct**

I understand that if I exhibit behaviors considered by the Humane Society of Richland County's staff to be dangerous to myself, to the animals, and or to volunteers, employees, or citizens, that I may be asked to leave the premises without further notice.

## **Photo Release**

I understand that public relations are an important part of volunteering at the Humane Society of Richland County; I therefore agree on behalf of myself, my heirs, assignees, guardians, personal or legal representatives, and executors, to allow the Humane Society of Richland County to use any and all photographic images and/or video/audio recordings of or by me made in connection with activities conducted by or at the Humane Society of Richland County. These photographic images, video and/or audio are to be used solely for program documentation and/or publically purposes without payment. The Humane Society of Richland County will use reasonable efforts to notify me, but such notification is not expressed or implied condition to use.

Signature of Applicant:	Date
Signature of Guardian:	_ Date