



The Humane Society for Tacoma & Pierce County Teams Up with BISSELL Pet Foundation to “Empty the Shelters”

Adoption fees for all pets will be waived from October 1-15 during BISSELL Pet Foundation’s national adoption event.

TACOMA, WA— The Humane Society for Tacoma & Pierce County is proud to partner with [BISSELL Pet Foundation](#), a national animal welfare organization dedicated to ending pet homelessness, for its [“Empty the Shelters”](#) adoption promotion. From Oct. 1 - 15, BISSELL Pet Foundation will sponsor fee-waived adoptions for all pets at the shelter for the two-week long campaign.

“National adoption events like BISSELL Pet Foundation’s Empty the Shelters help communities to adopt pets and support their local shelter,” says Leslie Dalzell, chief executive officer of the Humane Society for Tacoma & Pierce County. “During the foundation’s quarterly event in May, our shelter found loving homes for nearly 180 pets, and we look forward to helping even more families welcome pets into their hearts and homes this October!”

BISSELL Pet Foundation’s “Empty the Shelters” event is the largest funded adoption event in the country. With a goal of encouraging more families to choose adoption, this lifesaving effort has helped more than 190,000 pets find loving homes since 2016. As BISSELL Pet Foundation’s largest program, a total of 687 animal welfare organizations in 49 states and Canada have participated throughout the years. During BISSELL Pet Foundation’s “Empty the Shelters” quarterly national events, an average of 1,225 shelter pets are adopted each day.

The adoption event at the Humane Society for Tacoma & Pierce County will take place Oct. 1-15 at the shelter located on 2608 Center Street during the shelter’s business hours, 11:00 a.m.-5:30 p.m. To allow the shelter’s team adequate time to assist each potential adopter, it is advised that adoption applications be submitted by 2:00 pm during the event.

The shelter has over 100 adoptable pets, with more becoming available each day. To view all pets available for adoption at the Humane Society for Tacoma & Pierce County, please visit thehumanesociety.org/adopt. Every adoptable pet has had a wellness exam from shelter staff, been spayed or neutered, received their initial vaccines, and is microchipped with national registration.

Not looking to adopt? The shelter always welcomes new foster families to provide shelter pets with a temporary home. More information about fostering can be found at thehumanesociety.org/getinvolved/foster.

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About the Humane Society for Tacoma & Pierce County:

One of the oldest animal welfare organizations in the nation, the Humane Society for Tacoma & Pierce County, cares for around 10,000 animals every year and maintains multiple humane programs. Dedicated to "Making Happy Happen," the Humane Society for Tacoma & Pierce County works tirelessly to protect animals, support pet owners, and enhance relationships between animals and people. Learn more at: thehumanesociety.org.

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