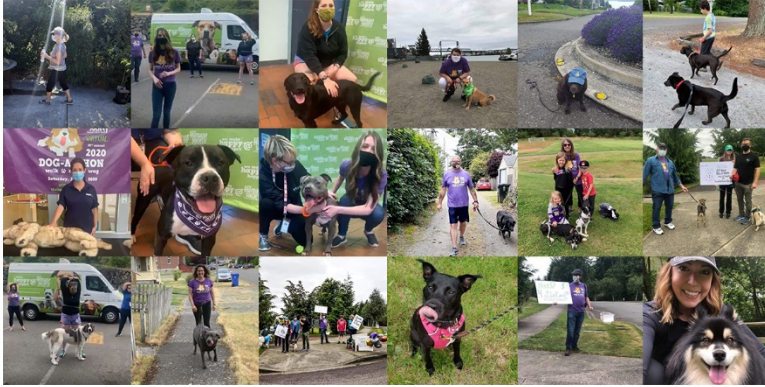


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PIERCE COUNTY'S LARGEST DOG-FRIENDLY 5K OF THE YEAR TO HELP PETS IN NEED



TACOMA, WA – The Humane Society for Tacoma & Pierce County is hosting their [31st annual Dog-A-Thon](#) on June 20-26! It's virtual this year, which means registrants can walk, run, or wag in their neighborhood or from their living room.

The annual event started over three decades ago by a 10-year-old volunteer with 35 attendees. Now, it brings together thousands of attendees and is

the shelter's biggest fundraiser of the year. Registrants for Dog-A-Thon last year raised \$100,000 for injured, abused, and abandoned animals in the community.

One such animal was Daisy, a stray dog that came to the shelter in desperate need of a leg amputation due to a fractured hip that had been left untreated. Donations from Dog-A-Thon made it possible for Daisy to get a lifesaving surgery and ultimately find her forever home.

All week long, registrants will help save animals, just like Daisy, by participating in the week's activities and showing support on social media using #dogathon2021. Registrants can also do some online shopping through the [Virtual Vendor Village](#).

The shelter will host the event on [Facebook](#) with team updates, adoptable pet features, behind-the-scenes, and more. There will be plenty of social media contests to win prizes, ranging from a custom gift basket for your dog or cat to a \$200 gift card to Mud Bay.

Register for Dog-A-Thon [here](#). Not interested in registering, but still want to help the pets? No problem! General donations for Dog-A-Thon can be made [here](#).

The Humane Society for Tacoma & Pierce would like to thank Dog-A-Thon 2021's Best in Show sponsors: [Larson Automotive Group](#) and [VCA Animal Hospitals](#).

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 nearly 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 www.thehumanesociety.org.



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