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TACOMA ANIMAL SHELTER AT CAPACITY WITH MORE THAN 700 ANIMALS



TACOMA, WA – The Humane Society for Tacoma & Pierce County is currently caring for over 700 animals. To boost adoptions and clear up space, the shelter is reducing adoption fees for dogs, cats, and small pets during the nationwide campaign to “Clear The Shelters” in partnership with NBC Universal and Telemundo.

From August 16-31, the shelter’s adoption fees will be \$5 for critters, \$25 for adult cats, and \$50 for adult dogs.

There are currently over 90 animals available for adoption with many more being made available over the next few weeks.

“We have a lot of animals available for adoption and several hundred more currently receiving care at our facility and in foster,” says Lindsey Heaney, communications manager at the Humane Society for Tacoma & Pierce County. “If you’ve been thinking about adopting, now is a great time!”

The shelter’s Adoption Center is open Tuesday – Sunday from 11:00 a.m. to 5:30 p.m. For more information about adopting and to view all of the shelter’s adoptable pets, please visit: www.thehumanesociety.org/adopt.

This is the eighth consecutive year NBC and Telemundo owned stations are partnering with affiliate stations and animal shelters and rescues to promote pet adoption and help raise funds to support animal welfare. Since its inception in 2015, *Clear The Shelters* has helped more than 700,000 pets find new homes.

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: www.thehumanesociety.org.

About *Clear The Shelters*

Clear The Shelters[™] / *Desocupar Los Albergues*[®] is an annual, nationwide pet adoption campaign that is spearheaded by NBCUniversal Local, a division of NBCUniversal. Every year, NBCUniversal Local's NBC and Telemundo owned stations, plus affiliated stations, partner with animal shelters and rescues in their communities to host *Clear The Shelters* events. NBCUniversal Local's *Clear The Shelters* campaign was inspired by a 2014 North Texas pet adoption event hosted by NBC 5 / KXAS and Telemundo 39 / KXTX and dozens of area shelters that resulted in the most adopted pets in one day for North Texas. Since 2015, NBCUniversal Local's *Clear The Shelters* pet adoption campaign has resulted in more than 700,000 pets finding new homes. Visit ClearTheShelters.com and DesocuparLosAlbergues.com for more information.

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