



Winnebago County Animal Services

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Animal-Related Activities (for children under age 18)

- Collect general items from the wish list at www.wcasrock.org
- Collect specific items from the wish list at www.wcasrock.org
- Tour of Animal Services
- Each scout could write a letter to the editor on spay/neuter, not letting your pet roam, the importance of your pet wearing an ID or having a microchip, adopting a shelter pet, encouraging people to take their dog to training classes, etc.
- Make dog or cat holiday baskets with items for the animals
- Fold paper grocery bags for cats to cuddle in and sleep
- Make dog biscuits using animal friendly recipes
- Organize an animal education seminar with speakers at your school, church or community center
- Photo contest (collect donations to determine winner)
- Teacher pets photo contest (collect donations to determine winner)
- Make cat friendly toys
- Organize an animal education booth at a local mall or farmer's market
- Pet supply drive for the shelter or needy pet owners
- Building dog houses for needy pet owners
- Organize a walk or jog for homeless animals at school (raises awareness too)
- Organize a bake sale to raise money for animals (combine with awareness info)
- Pennies for Puppies fundraiser
- Cash for Critters fundraiser
- Fundraiser that incorporates activities like jogging laps for pledges, jumping for animals, swimming laps, scoring soccer goals, hitting baseballs, etc.
- Organize an animal movie club or animal movie night complete with animal crackers, and other animal shaped people treats – discuss the movie afterward and its impact on the community, etc.
- Organize an animal art contest at school
- Hold an animal themed birthday party – attendees bring gifts for shelter animals
- Collect cardboard tubes from toilet paper and paper towels and cut into 1-inch widths to be used for cat toys
- Create flyers listing reasons that you shouldn't leave your animal in a car when it's too hot or too cold. Ask a car dealership if the flyers can be placed in the glove compartment of cars for sale to inform new owners of the potential dangers.
- Promote spay/neuter in your community by spreading the news about its importance. Collect information about the benefits of spay/neuter and locations of local low-cost spay/neuter clinics or programs. Create and pass out flyers promoting the spay/neuter information and take a survey to find out how many people have pets and how many are altered. Record the number of people who decide to alter their pets after receiving your information. Send results of your survey to Maddies Fund and they'll make you an honorable member of the All-Maddie Team and send you a free Maddie's Fund t-shirt. (details at the Maddies Fund website)