



## Fun Activities to Get Your Homeless Pet Club Engaged

We are always looking for fun activities to get our students involved, and share their love of their own pets. Your Homeless Pets Club is a great way to continually remind your school community how valuable our pets are to us! Here are a few ideas to get you started.

(note: any activities used as fundraisers need to be approved by your administrator and you must follow fundraiser protocol in your county and school)

### PHOTO CONTEST



Hold a school wide photo contest. This can be a fundraiser, or just for fun. Club members can create posters at your meeting advertising the photo contest. You can create categories: funniest, fluffiest, most energetic, etc. This is an opportunity to children to celebrate what great connections they have with their pets! Be sure to include your sponsored pet in the mix...several times!

### PJ'S FOR PAWS

Have a pajama day! This can be a fundraiser; students donate a dollar (or any amount, depending upon your population) to wear pajamas to school that day. Club members can create posters, model on your school news, and even get the adults in the building involved. Print stickers with your sponsored pet's photo and adoption information as the "ticket" to prove you donated to wear your pajamas.



## STRUT YOUR MUTT



Designate a day after school or on the weekend on which students may bring their leashed pets for a walk around a local park, your school track, or anywhere you can find a spot. Students love to share their pets! Make sure they are properly supervised by adults. Again, this can be a fundraiser if you choose to do so, or it can just be a fun day to enjoy our furry friends.

## HOWL-OWEEN

Have an October party in honor of our four legged friends. Students dress as their favorite animals and students bring animal-themed treats. Students can make posters of your sponsored pet wearing various costumes either on the computer or just by decorating photocopies of the pet. Post them around the school!



## HOLIDAY THEMED CARDS



Around the winter holidays, there are many different celebrations across cultures. Students can create cards for those holidays featuring your sponsored pet or illustrated pets on every card. You can duplicate these to hand out to friends and family. Include a message on the back about your mission to help homeless pets. Include the contact information for the rescue group on the back.

## VALENTINES and CANDY GRAMS

Around Valentine's Day, students can make valentine cards featuring your sponsored pet(s) on the front with animal-themed messages. Include contact information for the rescue group on the back. You can attach these to boxes of candy hearts and sell as candy-grams as a fundraiser.



## BEGGIN' BAKERY

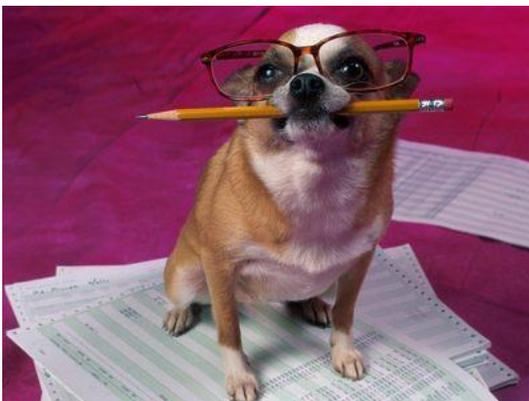
Find a recipe for making home-made dog treats. Students can bake their own treats for dogs at your meeting. Hand out to students throughout the school, or sell as a fundraiser. These are great for school carnivals.

## FUR FLYING ON THE FIELD

Choose a home football game. Get permission from your principal and football coach to bring your sponsored pet(s) on the field during half-time, or before the game. This is a great way to get LOTS of exposure!



## PAW PARTNER



Get an area business to join Homeless Pet Clubs with you. Ask your partner to come and do a hands-on activity related to their business with your club, one that promotes your sponsored pet.

## BE A STAR

Make a video about the plight of homeless pets, the benefits of adopting a pet, and spay/neuter. This can be done in groups, as a serious video, as a music video, etc. Put your students' talents to work! Share on your school news. You may even be able to get a spot on a local news channel!



## DONATION DRIVE

Simple but effective...hold a school-wide donation drive for your local rescue group. Have a contest to see which class or grade brings in the most items.

## HOT DOG!

If you are a high school club, you may be able to get in on concessions. At least ask the concession stand to name the hot dogs after your sponsored pet.

## DOG WASH

Hold a dog wash with your club. You can offer your services for free, and hand out flyers about your sponsored pet and designated rescue group.

## Dog Wash



The possibilities are endless! Be creative! And send us your ideas so we can add them to our site.