

## volunteer Application



Happy Cats Haven is a non-profit rescue and adoption center for homeless cats and kittens in the Pikes Peak Region of Colorado Springs. The contributions of our volunteers directly save the lives of hundreds of cats and kittens every year. Thank you for your interest!

Volunteer \_\_\_\_\_  
(First Name) (Last Name)

Email Address (required) \_\_\_\_\_ Are you 18 years or older? YES NO

Home Phone \_\_\_\_\_ Work/Cell \_\_\_\_\_

Mailing Address \_\_\_\_\_  
(Street or POB) (City/State) (Zip Code)

Emergency Contact: Name \_\_\_\_\_ Phone \_\_\_\_\_  
Relationship \_\_\_\_\_

How did you hear about HCH? \_\_\_\_\_

Do you have experience with cats? YES NO If yes, please describe:  
\_\_\_\_\_

Please describe any present or previous volunteer work:  
\_\_\_\_\_

If you are under 18, what is your age: \_\_\_\_\_

Do you have any physical or medical limitations that would limit the type of volunteer activities you can do?: (i.e. back problems, pregnancy, allergies):  
\_\_\_\_\_

Additional comments or anything else you'd like us to know: \_\_\_\_\_  
\_\_\_\_\_

### Please choose your area(s) of interest:

- Direct Cat Care:** socializing, cleaning colonies, adoption counseling, play or clicker therapy, etc.
- Office Admin Support:** phone & email support, mailings, cat followups, etc.
- Medical Support:** must have previous experience or currently attending vet tech school
- Fostering:** provide shelter, care & socializing for needy cats or kittens. Please complete a separate Foster Application for this.
- Transportation:** taking cats/kittens to vet appts and/or to adoption fairs & events
- Shelter Outreach:** fundraising events, adoption fairs, marketing, social media, etc.
- Hands-on:** building maintenance, carpentry, sewing/crafts, etc.
- TNR Assistance:** care for outside cats by becoming a Colony Manager or by training others; help trap cats for surgeries or train others for trapping; help distribute food to needy families
- Grantwriting:** help research and write grants for funding
- Donor Support:** help nurture our donors through written, online & telephone connections
- Teen Cat Corps:** volunteer with parental/guardian supervision for socializing and/or play or clicker therapy
- Other (describe)** \_\_\_\_\_

Please indicate the times you are available to volunteer (PLEASE NOTE that hours 12-4 Weds & Sat and 5-8 are for Adoption Counseling only which requires additional training):

Sunday 7am – 1pm only	Monday 7am – 6pm am or pm	Tuesday 7am – 6pm am or pm	Wednesday 7am – 4:30pm am or pm	Thursday 7am – 8:30pm am or pm	Friday 7am – 6pm am or pm	Saturday 7am – 4:30 pm am or pm

How much time can you commit? \_\_\_\_\_ Hours per week \_\_\_\_\_ Hours per month \_\_\_\_\_ Unsure

### Volunteer Liability Waiver

I, \_\_\_\_\_, hereby agree that if I am accepted as a volunteer for Happy Cats Haven, Inc. (“HCH”), I agree to comply with all of the rules and regulations that may be established from time to time by HCH. I understand that failure to comply with the rules and regulations of HCH may result in my immediate termination as a volunteer.

I understand that a 2 hour per week, 3 month commitment is required of all volunteer positions.

I understand that if accepted as a volunteer, all services performed by me will be performed on a strictly volunteer basis, and that I will receive no remuneration, pay or compensation of any kind, that I will not be an employee of HCH nor otherwise derive any benefits normally available to employees of HCH, and that HCH shall incur no liability of any nature as a result of my volunteering for HCH.

I acknowledge that in handling animals and performing other volunteer tasks there exists a risk of injury, including physical harm or death, and that all services performed by me will be done at my own risk. Therefore, on behalf of myself, my heirs, and personal representatives, I hereby release, discharge, indemnify and hold harmless HCH and its assigns, successors, agents, staff, board of directors, employees, contractors, and representatives from any and all claims, causes of action, or demands of any nature or cause whatsoever, including costs and attorney fees, arising out of or relating to my volunteering with HCH, including but not limited to animal bites, accidents, or injuries.

I understand that public relations are an important part of volunteering with HCH. On behalf of myself, my heirs, and personal representatives, if accepted as a volunteer, I give HCH permission to use and publish photographs taken of me as a volunteer for use in its public relations efforts.

**Adult (18 years or older) Volunteer Signature** \_\_\_\_\_ **Date** \_\_\_\_\_

### PARENTAL/GUARDIAN CONSENT FOR TEEN CAT CORPS (AGES 12-17)

Youths between the ages of 12 and 17 are eligible to volunteer with a parent, legal guardian or trusted family friend who is 18 years or older. We are sorry, but youths under the age of 12 cannot volunteer because of liability issues.

I, \_\_\_\_\_, represent that I am the parent or legal guardian of the Teen Volunteer named \_\_\_\_\_, a minor, (the “Volunteer”), and by my signature below consent to and allow my son/daughter/ward to perform volunteer services for HCH under the terms and conditions set forth above for volunteers.

**Signature of Parent/Legal Guardian** \_\_\_\_\_ **Date** \_\_\_\_\_

Please print and complete your signed application and send to or drop off at HCH, 1412 S. 21st Street, Colorado Springs, CO 80904