



Friends of Metro Animal Services April 2nd, 2025 Newsletter

Meet Us at the Mall and Paw in Love

At Friends of Metro Animal Services (FOMAS), we always look forward to the Pop-Up Adoption Events with Metro Animal Services (MAS). Not only do we get to hang out with lots of cute Bark-chelors and Bark-chelorettes, but we get to see the MAS staff, volunteers, and fosters that make it all possible. We also enjoy getting to engage with the community and find potential furever homes for some deserving animals.

In February, love was in the air, and the adoption event at the Mall St. Matthews helped match 8 dogs with their new families. In March, we returned to Mall St. Matthews and tested our luck with the "Luck of the Paw" Adoption Event. Irish eyes were smiling and 12 dogs found new homes. This event also had a great turnout with over 20 foster dogs making an appearance.

These Adoption Events are quite special because they allow adoptable pets to connect with the community in a fun environment. We absolutely adore partnering with MAS on these events and we will be back at the Mall St. Matthews for another adoption event on April 24 from 11:00 AM to 4:00 PM. We hope to see you there!



MAS Staff Spotlight: Haleigh Todd – Adoption Supervisor

Haleigh Todd Adoption Supervisor

With almost four years at Metro Animal Services (MAS), Haleigh Todd has become a dynamic leader amongst the staff. Haleigh started her career at MAS as an Adoption Coordinator, but her passion and hard work led to her promotion as the Adoption Supervisor. Haleigh, along with the Kennel Coordinator, Allen Gerlach, manage 17 employees. As the Adoption Supervisor, Haleigh is responsible for overseeing adoption services and brainstorming different ways for the community to engage with the animals.

Her role is essential in making sure community animals find loving families.



Haleigh's love for animals developed at a young age, as she grew up on a farm in Shepherdsville, Kentucky. Before joining MAS, she worked as a veterinary assistant at Baurbour Lane Animal Hospital and Kentucky Equine Medical Associates. The more time she spent fostering and working with animals, the stronger her connection to animal welfare grew.

When Haleigh isn't at work, she enjoys riding horses, archery, and fossil hunting with her 5-year-old. Haleigh is a proud mother of two, and her family also shares her love for animals. Thank you, Haleigh for your dedication and being an advocate for both the staff and animals at MAS.

The Monthly Metro Animal Spotlight

Barkchelor #1: Rock Willer

Rock Willer is a Barkchelor you don't want to miss. He's a sweet Rottweiler and a staff favorite. We reached out to his wing-woman at MAS, to see what this Barkchelor has to offer.

"Put some respect on Rock Willer's name because he is a die-hard snuggle bug. Don't be fooled by his large size, because he is one of the friendliest dogs we've met. He excitedly wags his tail when he spots new dogs. He enjoys playing and is all around a goofy guy."

His perfect match would be someone who enjoys a fun day out followed by a cozy day on the couch. We are told he is very charismatic with people and dogs, so he needs a good wing-person to help him make new friends.

Rock Willer will be available for adoption soon. In the meantime, he is getting all the love from MAS staff, so check back for updates!



Barkchelor #2: Mocha Chiller

We hope you're hungry, because Mocha Chiller is serving up lots of love. He is a Staffordshire Bull Terrier mix and about 5 years old. We connected with his wing-man at MAS, to find out why he's such a catch.

"Mocha Chiller is the definition of a gentle giant. He's on the bigger side, but oh so sweet. He is warm and relaxing, just like your favorite cup of mocha. He likes to take it slow and enjoy his surroundings. He doesn't take much interest in

the drama of other dogs. Mr. Chiller enjoys a nice outing basking in the sunlight as much as he would enjoy cuddling up in front of a television."

Mocha Chiller's perfect match would have a taste for taking it easy. He doesn't mind the bustling life of other dogs around him. He takes life at his own pace and goes with the flow.

Mocha Chiller is waiting to be the heart of his future forever home! Find out more about adopting him [HERE!](#)

Upcoming Events



April 29 @ 4:00 PM - 8:00 PM |
Chipotle Gives Back Night at S. Hurstbourne Pkwy

April 24 | Adoption Event at St. Matthews Mall

May 10 | Lou Adopts

Mark Your Calendar

1st Wednesday of April | National Walking Day

April 11 | National Pet Day

April 13-19 | Animal Control Appreciation Week

Starting April 17 | National Pet ID Week

April 20 | National Volunteer Appreciation Day

April 23 | National Lost Dog Awareness Day

April 20-26 | Volunteer Appreciation Week

Last Friday of April | National Hairball Awareness Day

Last Sunday of April | National Pet Parents Day

April 30 | National Adopt a Shelter Pet Day

Want to give back to your community?

FOMAS is always in need of dedicated volunteers and donations to help with the cause. Check out the links below to connect with us. Your support will go a long way in finding furever homes for animals just like Rock Willer and Mocha Chiller!

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