



Friends of Metro Animal Services
August 5, 2026 Newsletter

Your Pawfect Match is Only a Call Away



We are extremely excited to partner with WHAS11 once again for the Pawfect Match Tail-a-thon to be held on Wednesday, August 26th! This is our third year collaborating with WHAS11, seeking the community's help to raise funds to support Metro Animal Services (MAS). Each year, our community has stepped up and demonstrated immense compassion for the lost and abandoned pets of Louisville. Over the years, your support funded cutting-edge technology and supplies for the Veterinary Suite at MAS, as well as created an indoor enrichment area for the dogs at MAS.

Last year alone, the event raised over $30,000! All of you showed us how much this community cares about the animals that come into the city shelter. We are hoping that we can count on you once again. This year, we are raising funds to refresh equipment and supplies in every area of the shelter that will improve the stay for each animal.

Please be sure to Save the Date – August 26th! Every call is a lifeline, and we would love to hear from you on that day.

Run for a Cause: Fitness & Furry Friends

Are you looking for a fun and active way to support FOMAS this Summer? On August 29th, the Louisville Pure Tap 5K, presented by the Louisville Water Company, will begin and end at the Louisville Water Tower. This family-friendly race follows a scenic course running east and west along River Road. Once again this year, participants are invited to bring their dogs along for the run. There is an additional $10 fee to register dogs, available as a race add-on, with proceeds benefiting FOMAS. Plus, registered dogs will receive a special bandana to recognize their pup-ticipation.



After the race, join us for the after-pawty from 11 a.m.–3 p.m. at Club K9 Dog Park Bar. Dogs bringing their collapsible bowl get their owners in for free. More information can be found at: www.puretap5k.com.

That's How It's Dome, Dome, Dome!

Thanks to supporters like you, we raised over $30,000 last year during the telethon with WHAS11 to transform an old salt dome into an indoor play yard for the dogs at MAS.

Kennel fatigue is a serious issue for animals that have been at the shelter for a long time. With high intake numbers and limited resources, it's important to get dogs out of their kennels for exercise and a change of scenery even when the weather isn't ideal. And we all know that Kentucky's weather can be extremely unpredictable, from torrential rains to unbearable heat and humidity. The Enrichment Dome provides a safe space for dogs to exercise and decompress, come rain or shine!



Your Next Adventure is Calling!

Fresh air and exercise are the best cures for everything – for both people and dogs! Life in Kentuckiana can get busy, and we don't always have time to lean back and enjoy the great outdoors. We created our go-to list of hiking trails in the area, which you can use this Summer or Fall. Hiking is great because you can enjoy some alone time or go with friends. MAS has some furry friends that would love a nice hike.

Hiking with a buddy creates a more enriching experience, and MAS has many dogs that are ready to hit the trails with you. Even if you don't have time or space to adopt a pet, you can sign up to take a shelter dog on a Field Trip. The Field Trip program allows you to take a shelter dog out of the kennel for a day (or at minimum one hour) and spoil them. This is a great opportunity for people who love dogs but can't commit to adopting. The dogs get some one-on-one attention, and you get to make a dog's day. MAS dogs are perfect companions for hiking or any dog-friendly activities (excluding dog parks/runs).



Monthly Metro Animal Spotlight

Barkchelorette #1: Honayy Havvit



Honayy Havvit (#A794404) is a sweet and beautiful tan-coated 3 year-old girl, who's about 50 lbs. She loves living with her Foster Mom, but she'd love having a home to call her own. Her Foster Mom believes she would be the perfect addition to any home:

"Honayy loves everyone she meets. She's a great listener and has done well with any kids or dogs she's met. When she's found the perfect person to give her belly rubs, she rolls over to bask in the love and affection. She has done well with dogs that want to play and will never say no to a walk. When she's out and about, people can't help but give pets and tell her what a pretty girl she is. She's a wonderful house guest - she's potty trained and prefers a good chew toy over any furniture. She doesn't show interest in destruction, only good lovin' and belly rubs!"

Do you need a little sweetness in your life? Contact MASfoster@louisvilleky.gov to set up a Meet & Greet with Honayy. You can view her profile **HERE**.

Upcoming Events



August 13 @ 2:00 AM - 6:00 PM |
Meet Me at the Mall Adoption Event
Mall St. Matthews
5000 Shelbyville Rd, Louisville, KY 40207

August 26 @ 5:00 AM - 7:00 PM |
Pawfect Match Tail-a-thon with WHAS11
Call the Telethon Number to Donate!

August 27 @ 12:00 PM - 6:00 PM |
Pure Tap 5K Packet Pickup
Swags Sport Shoes
9407 Westport Rd, Louisville, KY 40241

August 29 @ 10:00 AM - 1:00 PM |
District 14 Rabies Clinic
Southwest Government Center
7219 Dixie Hwy, Louisville, KY 40258, USA

August 29 @ 8:30 AM |
Pure Tap 5K
Louisville Water Tower
3005 River Road, Louisville, KY 40207

Mark Your Calendar

August 2 | National Friendship Day

August 2-8 | International Assistance Dog Week

August 8 | National Happiness Happens Day

August 8 | International Cat Day

August 15 | National Relaxation Day

August 17 | Black Cat Appreciation Day

August 17 | National Non-Profit Day

August 22 | National Never Bean Better Day

August 25-31 | Be Kind to Humankind Week

August 26 | National Women's Equality Day

August 26 | National Dog Day

August 31 | National Matchmaker 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 Honayy Havvit and Lachesis!

Volunteer SignUp!

Donate Today!

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admin@fomaslou.org

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