

Friends of Metro Animal Services June 4th, 2025 Newsletter

Springing Into Action: 160 Dogs Found Furever Homes in the 'Ville!

FOMAS was excited to attend the third annual Hammer's Lou Adopts event, held in May and cohosted by Metro Animal Services (MAS) and the Kentucky Humane Society. The event was a powerful testament to what our community can accomplish together. Sponsored by Isaacs & Isaacs Personal Injury Lawyers, the event brought together eleven animal welfare groups with one shared goal: to find loving homes for pets in need.

The event's impact was incredible: a total of 160 dogs were adopted, including 45 dogs from MAS. Thanks to generous support, all adoption fees for MAS dogs were waived, helping to remove barriers and connect families with a new best friend. In fact, adoptions were happening so quickly for MAS that more dogs had to be brought in from the shelter mid-event just to keep up with the demand!

Over 1,000 passionate staff, volunteers, and fosters joined forces, filling the pavilion with an electric energy of hope, joy, and purpose. This event was more than numbers, it was a moving reminder of the power of community, and the difference we can make when we come together for animals who need us most.



Pawrental Guidance is Advised: A Thank You to the Pet Parents

With Mother's Day recently celebrated in May and the celebration of Father's Day in a few weeks, we wanted to give a shout out to the wonderful pet parents in our community. Thousands of animals pass through Metro Animal Services (MAS) every year and these animals would not be able to find homes without the help of pet parents across Louisville. Foster parents and adopters provide safe, caring homes on both a temporary and permanent basis for community animals in need.



There is one word that comes to mind when talking about the foster parents at MAS and that is dedicated. Foster parents welcome shelter pets into their home, help them socialize, get them to their appointments, and assist in finding them a furever home. The benefits of fostering extend beyond comfort and care. Animals in foster care are able to be seen as themselves rather than as a "shelter pet" or by their kennel behavior. Their adoption and adjustment period is a big commitment.

We are so appreciative to have such an involved and supportive community to help these animals. From intake to adoption, every action counts. Caring for an animal is another form of parenthood that deserves recognition. Thank you to all of the Moms and Dads of 4-legged family members who help give these

Love Comes in Purrs: Ditched Kittens Find their Furever Home

Spring is upon us, which means, we are in the midst of Kitten Season! We wanted to take some time to share the journey of two MAS kittens that found their furever home together, despite their tragic story.

Smoky and Autumn (previously known as Footloose and Please Louise) were originally from a litter of eight kittens. They spent the first



few months of their lives with Carolyn, an MAS Foster. The two kittens thought they had found their furever home in a new adopter. However, their tale took a turn when they were discovered in a ditch no less than two weeks after their adoption. Luckily, their microchips were still connected to their foster mom, allowing them to safely be returned to MAS. During their recovery, they spent a couple of weeks with Ashley, another volunteer and foster at MAS.

Ashley invited a number of friends over to meet the kittens, which is how Amanda met this adorable pair. Upon visiting the kittens for the first time, she realized there was just something about them. Amanda had recently lost her beloved cat of 17 years, so she wasn't necessarily looking to adopt. After bonding with the two cats over a few visits, Amanda decided that these were the kittens for her.

Footloose and Please Louise have stuck together against all odds. This pair had every reason to not trust another human, but have now found love, and safety in their furever home. Thank you Amanda for sharing their story.



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Did you know you can donate to your favorite nonprofit organization simply by using your Kroger Plus Card? Follow these easy steps below either by phone or on your computer to signup to help Friends of Metro Animal Services!

Here's How to Connect Your Kroger Plus Card in the Kroger App:

- 1. Go to the Kroger app and sign in.
- 2. Select the dropdown menu (three horizontal lines in the top right corner).
- 3. Under "My Info," select "Rewards."
- 4. Go to Community Rewards.
- 5. Search for and select FOMAS (Friends of Metro Animal Services) (Organization Number: HR429)



Here's How to Connect your Kroger Plus Card to Friends of Metro Animal Services on your computer:

- 1. Sign in to your digital account.
- 2. Search for your organization at https://www.kroger.com/account/communityrewards
- 3. Enter the name or NPO number of the organization you wish to support. (FOMAS, Organization Number: HR429)
- 4. Select the appropriate organization from the list and click "Save".

The Monthly Metro Animal Spotlight

Catchelorette #1: Orange Blossom

Orange Blossom (A780572) is a zesty lady looking for a new home. Staff members believe she is about



6 years old. So we asked her wing person at MAS for more information.

"We don't know much about Orange Blossom because she was picked up as a stray. She's been at the shelter for little over a month now. When she was picked up, she was severely dehydrated and in need of medical care. She isn't too sure of people and is a bit shy, as most strays can be. She has been sitting alone in the corner of her kennel, but has been coming out more to check people out. She is a great cat if you're looking for a working cat. She could clear out any unwanted guests (rodents) for you. She does things on her own time, whether that's playing or eating. It's her world and we're just living in it."

Her perfect match would be someone who has a big heart for kitties that have had a rough start. She is a spicy kitty that would do great as a natural hunter.

If you're interested in meeting Orange Blossom and giving her a new lease on life, stay tuned! She is getting some quality time with the vet team right now, but we hope to see her make her debut again soon.



Barkchelorette #1: Booger

We would never ask you to pick your nose, but you can pick Booger! We connected with her wingman at MAS, to find out why she's the best Booger you can pick.

"Booger will be your best friend the way she sticks by your side. She is an 85 lb Mastiff that identifies as a lap dog. She'll be happy wherever you go, as long as she's with you. She's great during car rides and on the leash. Despite her large size, she is the definition of a gentle giant. She is super friendly with other dogs and isn't too bothered by her surroundings."

Booger's perfect match would be someone who wants a faithful companion by their side. She loves being with her people and needs a pack of her own.

Booger is living with her foster family while she waits for her furever home. If you think she's the dog for you, contact MAS Foster to get more information!

Upcoming Events

June 5 @ 11:00 AM - 4:00 PM | Summer Kick-Off Adoption Event at Oxmoor Center, TOPGOLF Green Yard

June 7 @ 10:00 AM - 2:00 PM | Rabies Clinic at Fraternal Order of Eagles

June 28 | MAS Days at Full Stop Station Cafe

June 29 | Microchip Clinic at the MAS Animal House

June 29 @ 5:00 PM - 7:00 PM | Drag Me To The Pawty at Play Louisville

Mark Your Calendar

June 4 | National Hug Your Cat Day

June 8 | National Best Friends Day

June 10 | National Kitten Day

June 11 | All-American Pet Photo Day

June 15 | National Pet Fire Safety Day

June 20 | National Take Your Dog to Work 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 Orange Blossom and Booger!

Volunteer SignUp!

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