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## Spokane Humane Society Continues to Serve the Community Amid COVID-19 Pandemic March 18, 2020

**SPOKANE, Wash., March 17, 2020** – As the Spokane Humane Society continues to monitor developments regarding COVID-19, their team is committed to keeping the community and staff healthy, while ensuring the welfare and well-being of all the animals in their care.

In accordance with the statewide measure to limit social interactions to combat the spread of COVID-19, they will be closing the shelter and their Everyday Adoption Center at PetSmart Northpointe to the public effective tomorrow, Wednesday, March 18<sup>th</sup> and will be offering limited appointments for potential adopters and for families seeking assistance for free dog/cat food through their pet food bank. They will also continue to provide euthanasia and cremation services to the public by appointment only. The public can make an appointment by contacting adoptions@spokanehumanesociety.org or at 509-467-5235 ext 215. To schedule an adoption appointment for animals at their Everyday Adoption Center at PetSmart Northpointe (located off Newport Hwy), please call 509-466-4566 ext 5. Their modified services will remain in effect until further notice.

"The animals in our care and in our community are a top priority", stated Terena Thi, Director of Development & Communications. "We understand that there is a lot of uncertainty right now, but we want to stress that there is no evidence that companion animals have been infected or could spread [COVID-19] at this time."

In addition to their shelter, their veterinary clinic will continue to provide care to the animals of the Spokane community with their spay/neuter appointments and limited vaccination clinic.

To view their adoptable animals, please visit their website at <u>www.spokanehumanesociety.org</u> or stay updated by visiting their Facebook page here.

During this climate, please consider donating to the furry friends at the Spokane Humane Society as they rely solely on donations.

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## ABOUT SPOKANE HUMANE SOCIETY

The Spokane Humane Society is the oldest animal shelter in Spokane. They are a 501c3 private, non-profit serving the public since 1897 by providing care, shelter, and placement into loving homes for homeless, neglected, and unwanted animals in the greater Spokane area through adoptions.

To view adoptable animals or provide life-changing support to furry friends, please visit the SHS website at www.spokanehumanesociety.org. Stay updated by following the SHS Facebook page here.