

SPOKANE HUMANE SOCIETY ASKS THE COMMUNITY TO CONSIDER ADOPTING PETS IN NEED DURING PETSMART CHARITIES NATIONAL ADOPTION WEEK

Adoption Events to Take Place at Local PetSmart Stores July 21-27

July 16, 2025 – SPOKANE, WA – During the dog days of summer, adopting a pet can add new energy to our lives while making a positive contribution to the community. Spokane Humane Society is proud to partner with PetSmart Charities* to bring adoptable pets to Northpointe PetSmart in support of National Adoption Week, taking place July 21 – 27, 2025, with daily events between 11:00 am and 4:00 pm.

Each summer, animal shelters take in scores of kittens and cats during "kitten season," following peak breeding activity for cats, and this year is no exception. Please join Spokane Humane Society at our adoption event at the Everyday Adoption Center at Northpointe PetSmart, 9950 N Newport Hwy, Spokane, WA, to spend time with adoptable pets of all ages, breeds, and temperaments in spacious areas to find just the right match. Adopting a pet saves more than one life. Every pet who finds a home frees up space for shelters to help the next animal in need. With staff and volunteers available to help potential new pet parents, visitors can spend time with the cats, dogs, kittens, and puppies available for adoption. Adopting pets can help improve the health and wellness of people by reducing feelings of isolation and inspiring more active lifestyles. Caring for pets fosters values for children such as responsibility and selflessness.

To help alleviate costs associated with preparing pets for adoption and in support of the local Everyday Adoption Center's operations and mission, Spokane Humane Society received a grant from PetSmart Charities in the amount of \$105,000. Thanks to this funding, they've been able to support their 2025 efforts, providing the necessary services to make incoming animals adoption-ready, including spay and neuter procedures, vaccinations, microchips, nutrition, enrichment, and expanding their foster care program. Since February 1, 2025, 696 of those pets have found loving homes. More than 11 million pets have been adopted through in-store events with support from PetSmart Charities.

"The support we receive from PetSmart Charities has been instrumental in our ability to find loving homes for hundreds of animals each year," said Kristi Soto, Director of Marketing & Development at Spokane Humane Society. "We're incredibly fortunate to have not only a physical space at PetSmart where our animals can be seen, but also the resources to prepare them for adoption through the growth of our foster and volunteer programs, which provide enrichment, socialization, and time outside a shelter environment with individualized care, spay

and neuter services, vaccinations, microchips, and more. It's a full-circle effort powered by people who truly care—not just our team, the team at PetSmart Charities, but the store managers and staff who show up alongside us, rooting for these second chances to become forever stories."

To view all available pets for adoption, please visit www.spokanehumanesociety.org. SHS would like to note that if you are interested in adopting, you should come prepared with your family dog(s) for a meet and greet with the potential adoptee (as this is required), and there are no holds; adoptions and approvals are first-come, first-served.

"Animal shelters and rescues are doing incredible work to save pets each day, but they can't do it without the community's support," said Heidi Marston, director of Pet Placement Initiatives at PetSmart Charities. "Adopting or fostering a pet can be an incredibly enriching experience and is the best way to support your local organizations. We all have a role we can play in helping pets in need, so please join us this National Adoption Week to show your support. We're proud to work alongside partners such as Spokane Humane Society, whose team makes meaningful connections, giving more pets in need people to love."

For daily details throughout National Adoption Week at your local PetSmart Charities Everyday Adoption Center partner, Spokane Humane Society, please visit their website at spokanehumanesociety.org/national-adoption-week-july-2025/.

WHEN/WHERE:

Adoptable pets will be available at the following times and PetSmart location:

July 21–July 25, 11:00 am-4:00 pm, July 26, 10:00 am-4:00 pm, July 27, 11:00 am-4:00 pm

Northpointe PetSmart, 9950 N Newport Highway, Spokane, WA Spokane Humane Society, PetSmart Charities Everyday Adoption Center Partner

COME MEET:

Oatie: female, 41lbs, 8 years



This sweet 8-year-old gal is eager to find her forever person to spoil her with treats, cuddles, and adventures. Even as a senior pup, Oatie has lots of energy! She loves to run and play and

explore on her walks. She needs to go to a small-animal and cat-free home with children over the age of 13 who are comfortable around a high-energy dog.

Roman: male, 64lbs, 1 year



This outgoing and energetic guy loves to go on walks and play outside. Roman would thrive with an owner who lives an active lifestyle or has backyard space for him to run and play. We've known Roman since he was a tiny puppy, and he was returned to our care through no fault of his own. While we wish he was in a loving home, it's been a joy to watch him grow into the most handsome pup around.

Hank: male, 66lbs, 1 year



This sweet boy is patiently waiting for someone to take a chance on him. Hank loves going on walks, playing with toys, and is always happy to curl up on the couch for some quality cuddle time. Still a puppy at heart, he would thrive with consistent training to help him improve his jumping and leash manners. Due to his enthusiastic energy, Hank would do best in a home with older children or adults only. He's ready to bring love, play, and companionship to the right family.

Luca: male, 76lbs, 6 years



Luca's still looking for a loving home! This adventurous, outgoing guy can't wait to meet you. It appears he has some house training skills under his belt. He was surrendered with another dog who has already been rehomed, so we know that he did well other dogs in the home, but needs a meet and greet with any other future potential fur friends.

Doogie & Catherine: male, 53lbs, 1 year | female, 65lbs, 2years (*not a bonded pair)



This National Adoption Week, Catherine and Doogie are our crowned stars—and we think they're truly something special. These longtime residents have been waiting patiently for the right match, and we believe their moment has come. To help them start fresh, their adoption fees are waived and they come with a royal adoption package, including a PetSmart training bundle, Hill's food plan, and three rounds of three-month flea and tick prevention. They may need someone just as special to see their worth.

Madraya: female, 6lbs, 1 year



Madraya's still on the prowl for her purrfect person! Our longest resident feline, Madraya isn't the biggest fan of the shelter environment. It takes her awhile to come out of her shell and feel comfortable with new people. Once she does, Madraya's such a playful and goofy one-year-old kitty! She loves to watch cat TV, play with feather and string toys and is incredibly smart and curious. She can become bored easily and would thrive with another young cat friend to play with. We are looking for a kind, patient adopter who will give her time to adjust to her new home.

Sandy: female, 9lbs, 2 years



Sandwich (Sandy) is looking for her second chance! This sweet, curious kitty can't wait to find her purrfect person. Sandy is an FeLV+ cat, which means that her life may look a little different than her furry friends. She needs to be indoor only and either live as a solo cat or with other FeLV+ kitties. While FeLV cats have weakened immune systems, they can still live long, healthy lives.

Note to Editors: Photos and b-roll footage of adoptable pets are available upon request. To view request editorial materials, please contact Kristi Soto, (509) 467-5235 x230, kristi@spokanehumanesociety.org.

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About Spokane Humane Society

Spokane Humane Society is the oldest local non-profit dedicated to animal welfare in Spokane, with a 128-year legacy of compassion. As a 501(c)(3) private, non-profit organization, they've been serving the public since 1897 by providing care, shelter, and loving homes for homeless, neglected, and unwanted animals in the greater Spokane area. Spokane Humane Society receives zero government funding and relies entirely on community support to sustain its mission. In addition to adoptions, they offer veterinary clinical services to low-income community members, helping keep pets healthy and with their families. To view adoptable animals or provide life-changing support, visit www.spokanehumanesociety.org and stay connected through Facebook and Instagram @SpokaneHumaneSociety, @spokhumanesoc

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About PetSmart Charities®

PetSmart Charities is committed to making the world a better place for pets and all who love them. Through its in-store adoption program in all PetSmart* stores across the U.S. and Puerto Rico, PetSmart Charities helps up to 400,000 pets connect with loving families each year. PetSmart Charities also provides grant funding to support organizations that advocate and care for the well-being of all pets and their families. Our grants and efforts connect pets with loving homes through adoption, improve access to affordable veterinary care and support families in times of crisis with access to food, shelter and emergency relief. Each year, millions of generous supporters help pets in need by donating to PetSmart Charities directly at PetSmartCharities.org, while shopping at PetSmart.com, and by using the PIN pads at checkout registers inside PetSmart® stores. In turn, PetSmart Charities efficiently uses more than 90 cents of every dollar donated to fulfill its role as the leading funder of animal welfare in North America, granting more than \$600 million since its inception in 1994. Independent from PetSmart LLC, PetSmart Charities is a 501(c)(3) organization that has received the Four-Star Rating from Charity Navigator for the past 18 years in a row – placing it among the top one percent of rated charities. To learn more visit www.petsmartcharities.org.

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