

SERIAL #: \_\_\_\_\_ ANIMAL'S NAME: Scruffy DOG: X CAT: \_\_\_\_\_ DATE: \_\_\_\_\_

## WELCOME TO THE HEALDSBURG ANIMAL SHELTER

To help you find the right companion animal, we ask that you fill out this application carefully and completely. This form is designed to help us determine if the adoption is in the animal's best interest. An unsatisfactory adoption can result in a negative experience for adoptive families and could impair the animal's chances for re-adoption.

We will accept up to 3 applications per animal. It may take 3-7 days to process the application. This may seem like a long time but it is time well spent when you consider you may have your new pet 10-15 or more years! Your patience and cooperation in helping us to bring people and animals together will result in a more successful adoption. You may visit the pet you have chosen during this process.

### ADOPTION POLICIES

**In order to adopt an animal from the HAS, these policies must be followed:**

- ❖ Present a California ID card or driver's license showing your current address and that you are at least 18 years of age.
- ❖ Have the knowledge and consent to adopt an animal from all of the adults in your home.
- ❖ If you rent your home, have your landlord's consent to allow animals to live on the property.
- ❖ If you own your home, show proof of ownership.
- ❖ All presently owned pets must be current on distemper and rabies vaccines, cats must be negative for leukemia and dogs must be negative for heartworms.
- ❖ All pets at home must be neutered before the adoption can be finalized and must meet the prospective adoptee.
- ❖ Animals under 3 months old generally will not be adopted to households with children under 6 years old.
- ❖ We adopt our animals to be primarily indoor pets, which are members of the family.
- ❖ You must assure us that no unnecessary or inhumane surgery will be performed on the animal.
- ❖ Please call us within 3 days to check on the progress of your application and confirm your interest in adoption. If we do not hear from you, your application will be cancelled.
- ❖ Understand that the Healdsburg Animal Shelter may deny your adoption application if, in our judgement, it is not the best home for the animal.
- ❖ **False or omitted information will deny your application.**
- ❖ Indicate by your signature that you agree to all the requirements and conditions stated in this application.

### PLEASE PRINT ANSWERS TO ALL QUESTIONS CLEARLY

Name: \_\_\_\_\_ Home Phone (\_\_\_\_\_) \_\_\_\_\_ Work Phone (\_\_\_\_\_) \_\_\_\_\_

Address: \_\_\_\_\_ City: \_\_\_\_\_ State: \_\_\_\_\_ Zip: \_\_\_\_\_ CADL license#: \_\_\_\_\_

For pet licensing purposes only: Do you live in Healdsburg city? \_\_\_\_\_ If yes, are you over 62 years old? \_\_\_\_\_

1. Are you or your spouse : active military? \_\_\_\_\_ an undergraduate or graduate student? \_\_\_\_\_
2. Do you live with: Spouse or significant other? (If yes, please list their name) \_\_\_\_\_ Roommates? \_\_\_\_\_ Parents? \_\_\_\_\_  
Children? \_\_\_\_\_ Their ages? \_\_\_\_\_
3. Where do you live? Single home \_\_\_\_\_ Townhouse \_\_\_\_\_ Mobile home \_\_\_\_\_ Apartment \_\_\_\_\_  
Condominium \_\_\_\_\_ College dorm \_\_\_\_\_ Military housing \_\_\_\_\_
4. Do you rent or own? \_\_\_\_\_ List landlord's name & number: \_\_\_\_\_ If own condo, management's name & number: \_\_\_\_\_  
If own mobile home, ground management's name & number: \_\_\_\_\_
5. How long have you lived at your present address? \_\_\_\_\_ If less than one year, please list your previous address: \_\_\_\_\_  
\_\_\_\_\_
6. Are you planning to move within the next 6 months? \_\_\_\_\_ If you move, where will your pets go? \_\_\_\_\_
7. Will you restrict your choice of housing to where pets are allowed? \_\_\_\_\_
8. Will you still want the pet when your children are grown? \_\_\_\_\_
9. Who will be responsible for the pet's care and cost? \_\_\_\_\_
10. What are the work/school schedules of the household? \_\_\_\_\_
11. Is anyone in the home allergic? \_\_\_\_\_ Type of animal? \_\_\_\_\_ How severe? \_\_\_\_\_
12. If the HAS concludes that an inspection of your premises is needed, do we have your permission? \_\_\_\_\_
13. List a personal reference's name and number: **a reference cannot be a relative, significant other or roommate:** \_\_\_\_\_  
Telephone number: \_\_\_\_\_
14. List your veterinarian's name and number: \_\_\_\_\_ Date of last visit? \_\_\_\_\_

## PET HISTORY

15. List all pets you currently own or have owned in the past 10 years. (Please include any current roommate's pets):

Name    Breed    Age    Sex/Altered    Where kept    How long owned    Ever bred    Still own    If no, why    If deceased, please explain

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16. Have you ever adopted from the HAS before? \_\_\_\_\_ When? \_\_\_\_\_ Do you still own this pet? \_\_\_\_\_

If no, what happened to him/her? \_\_\_\_\_

17. Have you ever taken an animal to a shelter? \_\_\_\_\_ Explain: \_\_\_\_\_

18. Have you had a pet die of distemper, parvo, leukemia or unknown causes in the last 3 months? \_\_\_\_\_

**If you are applying for a cat please fill out the section below and continue to question #33. If you are applying for a dog please go to question #26 and continue. If you are applying for both please fill out all sections below.**

### CAT ADOPTIONS ONLY

19. Will this be your first experience owning a cat? \_\_\_\_\_ Your child's? \_\_\_\_\_

20. What is your main reason for adopting a cat? \_\_\_\_\_

21. If the cat is a gift, who is it for? \_\_\_\_\_

22. What kind of personality/temperament are you looking for? \_\_\_\_\_

23. How will you train the cat to use the litterbox, scratching post? \_\_\_\_\_

24. Do you think you might declaw the cat? \_\_\_\_\_ If yes, why? \_\_\_\_\_

25. Will the cat be: Inside? \_\_\_\_\_ Outside? \_\_\_\_\_ Both? \_\_\_\_\_

### DOG ADOPTIONS ONLY

26. Will this be your first experience owning a dog? \_\_\_\_\_ Your child's? \_\_\_\_\_

27. What is your main reason for adopting a dog? \_\_\_\_\_

28. If the dog is a gift, who is it for? \_\_\_\_\_

29. What are your preferences as to breed? \_\_\_\_\_ Size? \_\_\_\_\_ Age? \_\_\_\_\_ Sex? \_\_\_\_\_

30. Are you familiar with crate training? \_\_\_\_\_ Obedience training? \_\_\_\_\_

31. Where will the dog be during the day? \_\_\_\_\_ During the night? \_\_\_\_\_ When no one is home? \_\_\_\_\_

32. How will you exercise the dog? \_\_\_\_\_ Do you have access to a yard? \_\_\_\_\_ Is it fenced or open? \_\_\_\_\_

Height of fence? \_\_\_\_\_ Type of fence? \_\_\_\_\_

### FOR ALL ADOPTIONS

33. How do you plan to teach your pet the rules of the House? \_\_\_\_\_

34. How will you handle destructive behavior? \_\_\_\_\_

35. Are you familiar with the annual vaccinations required for your pet? \_\_\_\_\_

36. Are you prepared for the extra costs of owning an animal? (food, boarding, grooming, emergency care) \_\_\_\_\_

37. How will you protect your pet from being lost or stolen? \_\_\_\_\_

38. Are you familiar with Animal Control Laws in your area? \_\_\_\_\_

