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Let's Clear the Shelter in August

FAYETTEVILLE – The Cumberland County Animal Shelter is partnering with WRAL for the nationwide 6th Annual Clear the Shelters pet adoption event during the month of August. The shelter hopes to find homes for 300 pets during the campaign.

All pet adoptions will be \$28 thanks to a grant from PetSmart Charities. The normal pet adoption fees range from \$68 to \$117 based on the animal's gender and weight. Included in the \$28 fee is a rabies vaccination, pet privilege license, microchip and spay or neuter operation.

In addition, every adopter will go home with a swag bag full of goodies for their new best friend.

“Due to the COVID-19 pandemic, the Clear the Shelter event will look a little different,” said Animal Control Director Elaine Smith. “Instead of a daylong event, we will shift to a month-long adoption campaign. This will enable us to maintain social distancing protocols and coordinate appointments for all adoptions.”

All adopters must wear a face covering, have a photo ID and be at least 18 years old. All adoptions will be by appointment only.

Most of the animals will have already had heartworm and FeLV/FIV testing and been spayed or neutered. Those animals that have not been spayed or neutered will not be able to leave the shelter until the procedure is completed. This means adopters may not be able to take a pet home immediately.

Residents can also “Paw it Forward” by donating to the shelter's Injured Animal fund, Veterinary fund, or Pet Enrichment fund so that future shelter animals will benefit as well. Donations can be made online at licensepet.com/cumberlandcountyncdonate.

The Animal Shelter is located at 4704 Corporation Dr., Fayetteville. The Shelter hours for adoptions are Monday through Friday, 11 a.m. to 5:30 p.m., and Saturday, 1 to 5 p.m.

You can view adoptable animals by visiting <http://bit.ly/CCAdoptablePets> or on our Facebook page @ [CumberlandCountyAnimalShelter](https://www.facebook.com/CumberlandCountyAnimalShelter). Call (910) 321-6852 for more information or to make an appointment.

Anyone looking for lost pets can view all animals located in the Shelter at www.petharbor.com. If a lost pet is discovered on the website, call (910) 321-6852 to schedule a time to reclaim.

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