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## Animal Welfare

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### SAVE A DOG'S LIFE OVER THE 4TH OF JULY HOLIDAY

Dogs are very fearful of fireworks. Please make sure that your dog is secure during the 4th of July period, as dogs often run away when they hear loud noises like fireworks. Please check your yard to make sure there is no way for your dog to get away. And on the evening of the 4th, if you are out at a fireworks display, it is best to keep your dog in the house so there is no chance of it running away. The same is true of cats and other animals.

Los Angeles City Animal Shelters receive a large temporary influx of dogs (and to a lesser extent cats and rabbits) over the 4th of July period. This influx starts in late June, when people start setting off fireworks. Citizens who find run-away dogs, as well as City Animal Control Officers who catch them, bring them into the Shelters to care for them. Most of these animals are redeemed by their owners within several weeks. But while they are at the Shelter, they occupy a kennel, which can cause overcrowding at the Shelters. In the past, if the Shelter became overcrowded, dogs would be killed to make room for these new dogs coming in.

We are implementing a "Temporary Animal Foster Parent Program" at the West Valley Shelter, to prevent the killing of any healthy adoptable dogs over the 4th of July period for lack of space. Members of the public will be able to foster a dog (or cat or rabbit) in their homes for several weeks during the 4th of July period if kennel space is needed.

If you are interested in becoming a Temporary Animal Foster Parent Volunteer, please fill out the application which can be found at: <http://tarzananc.org/docs/1307-1082.pdf>. Send your completed application, along with a copy of your driver's license, to [Sergio.Rios@lacity.org](mailto:Sergio.Rios@lacity.org). If your application is approved by the Los Angeles Animal Services Department, you will be placed on a list and will receive an email from the Shelter if there is a need for temporary fosters. If you foster a dog and it ends up that you want to keep the dog permanently, you can go through the adoption process. Otherwise, the dog will be returned to the Shelter.

If you have any questions, you can contact the Tarzana Neighborhood Council Animal Welfare Committee at: [Jeff@Mausnerlaw.com](mailto:Jeff@Mausnerlaw.com) or use the contact form at: [http://tarzananc.org/contact.php?admin\\_login\\_id=78](http://tarzananc.org/contact.php?admin_login_id=78)

From Jeffrey Mausner, Chairman, Tarzana Neighborhood Council Animal Welfare Committee

### THE RESCUE OF JAXZ

**By Jeffrey Mausner, Chairperson, Tarzana Neighborhood Council Animal Welfare Committee (Deanna Dylan Scott, Co-Chair).**

Growing up in an animal shelter is a fate confronting more and more dogs. There are just too many unwanted dogs in Los Angeles, because of failure of owners to spay and neuter their pets, and unlicensed breeders. The Los Angeles City Shelters are doing the best they can to keep dogs alive for as long as possible in the hope that they will be adopted or rescued, before they have to be euthanized. But with not enough people to adopt, and the resulting overcrowding in the shelters, these dogs are constrained in small kennels, surrounded by the constant barking of the dozens of other abandoned and stray dogs. This was the case for Jaxz, a Labrador/American Staffordshire mix.

Jeffrey Mausner

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**From:** Leonard Shaffer <l.shaffer@tarzananc.org>  
**Sent:** Wednesday, June 22, 2016 3:11 PM  
**To:** 'Jeffrey Mausner'  
**Subject:** FW: What's Happening in Tarzana the Week of June 20th

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**From:** Tarzana Neighborhood Council [mailto:tnc@tarzananc.org]  
**Sent:** Sunday, June 19, 2016 6:19 PM  
**To:** Tarzana Neighborhood Council  
**Subject:** What's Happening in Tarzana the Week of June 20th



## TARZANA NEIGHBORHOOD COUNCIL NEWS



# WHAT'S HAPPENING IN TARZANA THE WEEK OF JUNE 20TH

## SAVE A DOG'S LIFE OVER THE JULY 4TH HOLIDAY

If you foster a dog during the July 4th period, you may save the life of a healthy, adoptable dog seeking a "forever home". Because dogs are very fearful of fireworks, many run away but are found and taken to animal Shelters where they stay until their owners redeem them, usually within several weeks. Since the L.A. City Animal Shelters receive a large, temporary influx of dogs, they need to make kennels available for them to avoid overcrowding and, in the past, dogs have been killed to make space for the new arrivals.

You can **prevent** this by participating in the "Temporary Animal Foster Parent Program" at the West Valley Shelter. In order to get a copy of the application click [here](#) Send your completed application and a copy of your driver's license to [Sergio.Rios@lacity.org](mailto:Sergio.Rios@lacity.org). Please apply quickly so that Animal Services will have enough time to process it before the July 4th influx. If approved by the LA Animal Services Dept., your name will be placed on a list and the Shelter will notify you by

e-mail if there is a need for temporary fosters. You may permanently keep the dog that you foster by going through the adoption process. If not, it will be returned to the Shelter.

If you have any questions, you may contact the Tarzana Neighborhood Council Animal Welfare Committee at [Jeff@Mausnerlaw.com](mailto:Jeff@Mausnerlaw.com) or use the contact form at <http://tarzananc.org/contact.php?admin> login id=78.

THANK YOU FOR YOUR HELP

## MEETINGS

**Land Use Committee** – The Land Use Committee's meeting scheduled for June 20, 2016 has been **CANCELED**

**Tarzana Neighborhood Council Transportation Committee** – The TNC Transportation Committee will meet on Wednesday June 22, 2016 at 6:30 PM at the Tarzana Child Care Center, 5700 Beckford Ave, Tarzana 91356. The agenda can be viewed and downloaded [HERE](#)

**Tarzana Neighborhood Council Budget Committee** – The TNC Budget Committee will meet on Wednesday June 22, 2016 at 7:00 PM at the Tarzana Child Care Center, 5700 Beckford Ave, Tarzana 91356. The agenda can be viewed and downloaded [HERE](#)

**Tarzana Neighborhood Council Executive Committee** – The TNC Executive Committee will meet on Thursday June 23, 2016 at 7:00 AM at VIP's Cave 18345 Ventura Blvd, Tarzana 91356. The agenda can be viewed and downloaded [HERE](#)

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## EVENTS

**Providence Tarzana Medical Center Open House & Community Workshop**

**Monday June 20, 2016 6:00 to 8:00 PM**

**RSVP at [PTMCrsvp@gmail.com](mailto:PTMCrsvp@gmail.com)**

Jeffrey Mausner

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**From:** Councilmember Bob Blumenfield <councilmember.blumenfield@lacity.org>  
**Sent:** Friday, June 17, 2016 5:52 PM  
**To:** TNC@empowerla.org  
**Subject:** The Blumenfield Buzz- June 2016



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## The Blumenfield Buzz- June 2016

### *Reseda Art Walk*



On the evening of June 4th, thousands of people came out to the first Reseda Rising Art Walk. This event, organized by the 11:11 Art Collective, was part of Councilmember Blumenfield's "Reseda Rising," a multi front initiative to reinvest in the community and find ways to return Reseda to its former glory as a center for entertainment and small business.







## *Tarzana Property Owners Association Hosts Councilmember Blumenfield*



Councilmember Blumenfield met with the Tarzana Property Association and delivered an update on the state of the district. He focused on the newly passed budget, homelessness, crime and the steps the city is taking to ensure smarter and more efficient public safety.

## *Save a Dog's Life Over the 4th of July Holiday*

The 4th of July celebrations are just around the corner. While everyone enjoys the festivities it is important to know that dogs and other animals are very fearful of fireworks and may panic from the loud booms. Across the city, Animal Shelters receive a large increase of animals around Independence Day, because of disturbances such as fireworks. Though most of these animals are reunited with their owners within several weeks, overcrowding in shelters, even temporarily, may cause animals to be put down simply and sadly due to lack of space.

This is why the West Valley Animal Shelter has implemented a “Temporary Animal Foster Parent Program” over the 4th of July period. The goal is to prevent the killing of healthy adoptable dogs. People will be able to foster a pet if kennel space is needed and help ensure that we keep these animals alive.

To become one of those Good Samaritans please contact Jeffrey Mausner, Chair of the Animal Welfare Committee of the Tarzana Neighborhood Council, at [Jeff@Mausnerlaw.com](mailto:Jeff@Mausnerlaw.com).

## *VICA's “After Dark” Series Hosts Blumenfield*

Councilmember Bob Blumenfield addressed VICA members as a part of their ‘After Dark’ speaking series. Blumenfield discussed a variety of priorities including technology infrastructure, job growth and development, and how to make Los Angeles, specifically the West Valley, even more of an economic engine.

Jeffrey Mausner

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**From:** Brenda Barnette <brenda.barnette@lacity.org>  
**Sent:** Wednesday, June 22, 2016 12:04 PM  
**To:** Jeffrey Mausner  
**Subject:** Re: Foster Volunteers Urgently Needed

Thanks Jeff.

Sent from my iPhone

On Jun 22, 2016, at 11:29 AM, Jeffrey Mausner <[jeff@mausnerlaw.com](mailto:jeff@mausnerlaw.com)> wrote:

WONDERFUL!!!! Best regards, Jeff

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**From:** Dept of Animal Services [<mailto:Ani.LAAnimalServices@lacity.org>]  
**Sent:** Tuesday, June 21, 2016 10:12 AM  
**To:** Jeff Mausner <[j.mausner@tarzananc.org](mailto:j.mausner@tarzananc.org)>  
**Subject:** Foster Volunteers Urgently Needed



City of Los Angeles  
**Animal Services**



FOR IMMEDIATE RELEASE

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(213) 482-9551

**FOSTER VOLUNTEERS URGENTLY NEEDED TO  
EXPAND SHELTER WALLS**

*July 4th Fireworks Expected to Fill Shelters with scared/lost Pets*



Los Angeles, CA, June 21, 2016 – LA Animal Services is gearing up for our busiest time of the year and we need YOUR help to create life-saving space in our City shelters.

We know that the July 4<sup>th</sup> Holiday and FIREWORKS will cause an influx of lost and frightened dogs and cats. You can foster a shelter animal for just four days (or more) and create life-saving space for orphan and abandoned shelter pets.

Last year, the East Valley Animal Shelter, placed 64 dogs out of the shelter, through fosters, adoptions or rescues before the holiday rush. Over the 4<sup>th</sup> of July weekend, 264 animals came into the shelter and no dogs were euthanized because of the extra space that was made from the generosity of the last minute foster volunteers. LA Animal Services goal is to repeat this again and help even more pets this year at all six of our City animal shelters.

By Monday, July 4<sup>th</sup>, LA City Animal Shelters will be filled to the brim with scared pets who couldn't find their way home. They will be depending on us to help reunite them with their families.

Meanwhile, other great dogs and cats who have been with us for a while could be at risk if we run out of kennel space and all of our shelters are filled to capacity. We have dogs and cats of all ages and sizes just waiting for an opportunity to crash at your place for a few days to a week around the July 4<sup>th</sup> holiday weekend. You will be a life-saver!

Brenda Barnette, LA Animal Services General Manager said, "The July 4th holiday is one of the busiest intake periods for municipal shelters. While many people are out celebrating, the shelters will be flooded with pets, many will never find their way home. Our hope is that animal lovers in Los Angeles will come together to help pets in their community by fostering for a few days."

It's easy to become a Foster Volunteer! Just go online to download your application at [LAAAnimalServices.com/volunteer/foster-program](http://LAAAnimalServices.com/volunteer/foster-program) or go to the City animal shelter nearest you

and ask for a Foster Volunteer application. Take your completed form to the shelter and we'll get you fostering a pet right away.

By temporarily opening your home to an animal in need, you are preparing an animal for adoption into a permanent home as well as DIRECTLY SAVING LIVES by fostering animals from our overcrowded shelters.

Or, have you been thinking about adopting but aren't sure...fostering is a great test drive to see what it is like to have a four-legged addition to your home.

The shelters are open Tuesday through Sunday from 8 a.m. to 5 p.m. and Sunday 11 a.m. to 5 p.m. We will be closed on the Fourth of July. To find the shelter closest to you, visit: [LAAAnimalServices.com/shelters](http://LAAAnimalServices.com/shelters) or call (888) 452-7381. Our heartfelt thanks will be nothing compared to the purrs and kisses you will get from your foster pet.

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*Los Angeles Department of Animal Services*

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**From:** Grayce Liu <grayce.liu@lacity.org>  
**Sent:** Friday, June 24, 2016 3:38 PM  
**To:** Jeffrey Mausner  
**Subject:** Re: FW: GM's Message plus Pet Foster Volunteers, DWP Reform and Emergency Preparedness

You're welcome, Jeff!

Best,

Grayce Liu  
General Manager

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On Fri, Jun 24, 2016 at 2:32 PM, Jeffrey Mausner <[jeff@mausnerlaw.com](mailto:jeff@mausnerlaw.com)> wrote:

Thank you Grayce, Sara, Brenda, and Len. Have a nice weekend. Best regards, Jeff

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**From:** EmpowerLA [mailto:[EmpowerLA@LAcity.org](mailto:EmpowerLA@LAcity.org)]  
**Sent:** Friday, June 24, 2016 1:15 PM  
**To:** Jeffrey Mausner <[j.mausner@tarzananc.org](mailto:j.mausner@tarzananc.org)>

**Subject:** GM's Message **plus Pet Foster Volunteers**, DWP Reform and Emergency Preparedness



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## GM's Message 06.24.16

I hope our newsletter finds you well. Congratulations to the Neighborhood Councils on their elections and selections for 2016! We wrapped this election cycle last Saturday in South Los Angeles. It takes an incredible amount of work to conduct the elections. HUGE thanks to our awesome Elections Team, led by our Director of Outreach and Communications, Stephen Box, and Neighborhood Council Citywide Elections Administrator, Jay Handal! From our Independent Election Administrators to our Election Assistants and Poll Workers to our entire staff who assisted with funding, websites, polls and everything election, many thank you's again and again for your fine work. We could not have completed this journey without our incredible City partners: City Clerk Holly Wolcott and her elections crew and City Engineer Gary Lee Moore and his online mapping team. Much appreciation also goes to Mayor Eric Garcetti and our City Councilmembers for promoting the Neighborhood Council elections throughout Los Angeles. Last, but not least, a very heartfelt thank you to our Neighborhood Councils for their dedication to have great elections and for volunteering all over the City to support theirs and other Neighborhood Council elections at the polls!



If you haven't already appointed your Neighborhood Council Budget Representatives, please do so as soon as possible because the Neighborhood Council Budget Day will be upon us before we know it. Budget Day will be held at City Hall on Saturday, July 30th. If you are the Budget Representative, please [RSVP for Budget Day here](#).

Speaking of Neighborhood Council reps, please make sure that you've also selected the various City liaisons for Neighborhood Councils, too. You can see what they are and [input them here](#) in

our [Self Service Portal](#). With the awesome [Clean Streets LA Challenge grant](#) open to Neighborhood Council now, be sure to appoint your [Public Works Liaison](#) to help get the word out to your community.

Don't forget the Neighborhood Council Emergency Preparedness Alliance meets tomorrow at the LADWP. I'll be joining Mayor Garcetti's Chief of Staff Ana Guerrero and the Mayor's Innovation Team to welcome our 46 [Civic Youth](#) participants on the first day of the program tomorrow, which will last all summer and end at the Congress of Neighborhoods. Very exciting! Have a wonderful weekend!

Best,

Grayce Liu,  
General Manager  
Department of Neighborhood Empowerment (aka) EmpowerLA

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### DWP Reform: Power Planning

*By Tony Wilkinson.* Many of our city's hopes for a better planet meet in a curious place: the Los Angeles Department of Water and Power. Whether it is a sustainable local water system in the midst of drought or reducing the city's greenhouse gas emissions...

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Please help us spread the word! Share, post and print our flyer with your friends, neighbors, co-workers, and members of your community.

By Jasmine Elbarbary|June 23rd, 2016|Blog, City Departments|0 Comments



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**CITY OF LOS ANGELES  
DEPARTMENT OF ANIMAL SERVICES  
FOSTER PARENT VOLUNTEER**

Date \_\_\_\_\_

**CONTACT INFORMATION:**

Last Name	First Name	Middle Name
Address	City	State
Zip Code		
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E-Mail Address (Required field) \_\_\_\_\_

Do you? Own Rent/Lease Residence Type: House Condo Apartment Mobile Home

If you live in an apartment or other leased residence, you hereby represent that your lease in no way prohibits your ability to

Foster animals in your home: \_\_\_\_\_  
(Signature)

**HOME INFORMATION:**

Do all household members agree to your fostering animals? YES NO

Do you have any pets of your own? YES NO

If you have cat (s), has it tested negative for Feline Leukemia and FIV? YES NO

List all animals that reside in your home:

Name	Breed	Age	Sex	Altered	Current on all vaccinations?
1. _____					
2. _____					
3. _____					
4. _____					
5. _____					

**FOSTER INFORMATION:**

What Animal Care Center would you like to report as your Home animal care center? (Circle one)

NORTH CENTRAL      SOUTH LOS ANGELES      EAST VALLEY      WEST VALLEY      HARBOR  
WEST LOS ANGELES

Are you willing to give medication?      YES      NO

Are you willing to bring the animal(s) into the shelter for periodic checkups and vaccinations?      YES      NO

Do you have transportation to pickup animals from the animal care center?      YES      NO

Are you a member of a rescue organization      YES      NO

If yes, which one? \_\_\_\_\_

Have you ever been investigated by our department?      YES      NO      If yes, please explain why \_\_\_\_\_

\_\_\_\_\_

Why do you want to foster unweaned animals? \_\_\_\_\_

\_\_\_\_\_

Who is your Veterinarian? \_\_\_\_\_

Do you have experience with foster care for unweaned animals?      YES      NO

**FOSTER PREFERENCES:**

Kittens only \_\_\_\_\_ How many? \_\_\_\_\_

Puppies only \_\_\_\_\_ How many? \_\_\_\_\_

Both Kittens and Puppies \_\_\_\_\_ How many? \_\_\_\_\_

Adult dogs \_\_\_\_\_ How many? \_\_\_\_\_ Adult cats \_\_\_\_\_ How many? \_\_\_\_\_

Do you have experience with foster care for unweaned animals?      YES      NO

**I declare under penalty of perjury that all statements in this application form and attachments are true and complete to the best of my knowledge. I understand that false, misleading or incomplete information shall be cause for disqualification.**

\_\_\_\_\_

**Volunteer's Signature**

\_\_\_\_\_

**Date**

City of Los Angeles  
Department of Animal Services

**VOLUNTEER FOSTER PARENT AGREEMENT**

**As a Volunteer Foster Parent (VFP) for the Los Angeles City Department of Animal Services (LAAS) you are required to abide by the terms of the Volunteer Foster Parent Agreement.**

**If accepted as a Volunteer Foster Program Volunteer and in consideration of becoming such, my initials and signature below indicate that I understand and agree to the following.**

- \_\_\_\_\_ All potential (VFP) must attend a Bottle Baby Foster training/orientation, if applicable.
- \_\_\_\_\_ Once a fostered animal is weaned (8-10 weeks) it must be returned by the VFP to the animal care center and re-booked into the system.
- \_\_\_\_\_ Each and every adoption of a fostered animal must be processed at one of our care centers and is subject to the guidelines for the Foster Program.
- \_\_\_\_\_ Foster Parent Volunteers are required to sign in and out in the Log Book each time they visit a center with an approximately number of hours caring for the foster animals.
- \_\_\_\_\_ Foster Parents agree to provide time, proper and sufficient food and water, shelter, kind treatment, and proper veterinary medical care (provided by the Animal Care Center) for the animal(s) in my care, at all times.
- \_\_\_\_\_ LAAS makes no guarantees, whatsoever, as to the adoption, health, temperament, mental disposition, and training of the animals.
- \_\_\_\_\_ LAAS will be allowed to reasonably inspect the premises in which the animal(s) will be/are maintained, from time to time, for the purpose of determining the suitability of those premises for the care and maintenance of the animal(s).
- \_\_\_\_\_ If I fail to abide by the terms of this Agreement or otherwise fail to satisfy LAAS' requirements, as determined by LAAS at its sole discretion, I will be terminated from the LAAS Foster Program and all LAAS animals will be returned to a LAAS care center immediately.
- \_\_\_\_\_ Foster animals are only temporarily in my care, remain the property of the LAAS and are subject to relinquishment at any time. Failure to return a foster will result in termination, a "do not adopt" status and possible legal action.
- \_\_\_\_\_ I agree that I will not relinquish custody of the foster animal(s) to anyone except LAAS.
- \_\_\_\_\_ LAAS requires that the foster(s) remain in my care the entire time they are being fostered. If I cannot continue to care for the foster animal(s) for any reason, even temporarily, I shall return the animal(s) to one of the LAAS care centers. The animal(s) will not necessarily be returned to me.

- \_\_\_\_\_ I agree to not place the foster animal(s) in a dangerous situation (i.e., riding in an open pickup truck or left unattended in a car). Kittens must be kept indoors or in a crate while being transported. Puppies will be secured in a crate, kennel run, or enclosed fenced area. Dog and cats must be kept inside/indoors. Cats cannot roam free.
- \_\_\_\_\_ As with all animals, LAAS does its best to find each foster animal a good home; however, LAAS is not always successful and cannot guarantee all fostered animals will be adopted.
- \_\_\_\_\_ I agree to contact an LAAS staff member immediately and to follow their instructions, if the foster animal needs medical care of any kind, including bringing the animal into the animal care center if so directed and leaving it in LAAS custody, or administering medications if provided. LAAS will make the decision on the final outcome of any sick animal, which may include euthanasia.
- \_\_\_\_\_ Private veterinary cost incurred by a volunteer foster parent, for foster animal(s), will not be reimbursed by LAAS. Other expenses such as food, toys, or litter will not be reimbursed. Foster Parents will be supplied sufficient formula and milk for unweaned kittens and puppies. An initial supply is provided when the babies are picked up and an additional supply is available upon request.
- \_\_\_\_\_ If a foster animal dies in the care of the foster parent, the body must be returned to the Center for disposal and its death noted in our system.

**All of the information I have provided on this application is, to the best of my knowledge, true and complete. I agree and understand that falsifying information on this agreement or non-compliance with any of the terms and conditions mentioned above, at any time during the volunteer process, may disqualify my being a Foster Program Volunteer.**

\_\_\_\_\_  
(Name of Foster Parent-Print)

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(Signature, Parent/Guardian if volunteer is between 16 and 17)

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**CITY OF LOS ANGELES  
DEPARTMENT OF ANIMAL SERVICES**

**IDEMNITY WAIVER,  
RELEASE OF LIABILITY AND ASSUMPTION OF RISK**

I hereby agree that I will assume full responsibility for personal injury, property damage suffered and/or death sustained as a result of, or in connection with, my participation as a volunteer with the Los Angeles Animal Services (LAAS).

I agree, for purposes of this agreement, to release all employees, agents and/or volunteers collectively from and against all liability, claims, demands, damages to my person or property suffered and/or sustained as a direct and/or indirect result of my participation as a volunteer.

In connection with my participation as a volunteer, I further agree that I will not make any claim against, sue, attach the property of, and/or prosecute the LAAS for any personal injury, property damage, death, and/or whatever the cause of the event that gave rise to a claim.

I further understand that the behavior of domestic animals is unpredictable and that domestic animals are capable of spreading disease, inflicting serious personal injury, causing extensive property damage, and/or causing death. Knowing the risk of handling domestic animals, nevertheless, I hereby agree to ASSUME THOSE RISKS and to release indemnity and hold harmless LAAS, who might otherwise be liable to me (or my heirs or assigns), for damages.

It is understood and agreed that this Indemnity Waiver/Release of Liability and Assumption of Risk form is intended to be binding on my heirs, distributes, guardians, legal representatives, and/ or assigns.

**I HAVE READ THIS AGREEMENT CAREFULLY AND FULLY. I AM AWARE THAT THIS IS AN  
INDEMNITY WAIVER/RELEASE OF LIABILITY AND ASSUMPTION OF RISK FORM AND IS A BINDING  
CONTRACT BETWEEN LAAS AND MYSELF. I SIGN IT OF MY OWN FREE WILL.**

Date: \_\_\_\_\_ Print Name: \_\_\_\_\_

Volunteer Signature: \_\_\_\_\_

Parent and/or Guardian Signature: \_\_\_\_\_