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Adoption Fees Waived for All Adult Dogs Through Sunday!

San Diego Humane Society is low on space, encourages community to help and adopt!

SAN DIEGO — With 1,742 animals in care, San Diego Humane Society is asking the community to consider opening their hearts and homes to a shelter pet. **Shelter space is especially low for adult dogs, which is why the organization is waiving all adoption fees for adult dogs (7 months and older) through Sunday, Sept. 18, 2022.**

“This has been a challenging summer for us, with a lot of animals coming through our doors in need of our help,” said San Diego Humane Society President and CEO Dr. Gary Weitzman. **“Now we’re asking the community to help us help them by opening their hearts and homes to a new family member.”**

San Diego Humane Society currently has 172 adult dogs ready to find new homes. By waiving adoption fees for adult dogs, the organization intends to raise awareness and encourage adoptions.



When you Adopt from San Diego Humane Society:

- You’ll help create space in the shelter for other animals in need.
- You know you’re getting an animal who has been properly assessed and cared for.
- Your pet has been spayed/neutered and vaccinated.
- San Diego Humane Society offers an adoption guarantee, training advice, pet supplies and educational information to support pet families for the life of the animal.

San Diego Humane Society is open for walk-in adoptions Tuesday – Sunday, 10 a.m. – 5 p.m. at its campuses in Escondido, El Cajon, Oceanside and San Diego. To view animals currently available for adoption, visit sdhumane.org/adopt.

Members of the community who are unable to adopt a pet can still make a difference and help San Diego Humane Society create space in their shelters by:

- **Fostering a pet.** By becoming a foster volunteer, you give an animal a break from the shelter and create space for other animals with nowhere else to turn. Sign up at sdhumane.org/foster.
- **Use rehoming resources.** If a person needs to give up their pet, San Diego Humane Society offers rehoming tools that allow them to find their animal’s new family themselves — skipping a trip to the shelter. Visit sdhumane.org/rehome.
- **Reuniting stray animals directly with their owners.** By searching for the lost pet’s family in their own neighborhood and on social media. Visit sdhumane.org/found for tools and resources to help a lost pet find their owner.
- **Planning ahead.** Due to limited space, [an appointment may be necessary to relinquish your pet](#). If you know you will need to give up your pet due to a move or other planned situation, make arrangements with San Diego Humane Society as early as possible. This will ensure space remains available for animals in urgent need.

B-roll/photos of adoptable dogs at SDHS for media use can be downloaded here: <https://bit.ly/3BAyrg2>



Suggested Tweet: San Diego Humane Society currently has 172 adult dogs ready to find new homes. To raise awareness and encourage adoptions, the organization is waiving adoption fees for all adult dogs through Sunday, Sept. 18, 2022. To learn more, visit sdhumane.org/adopt.

About San Diego Humane Society

San Diego Humane Society's scope of social responsibility goes beyond adopting animals. We offer programs that strengthen the human-animal bond, prevent cruelty and neglect, provide medical care, educate the community and serve as a safety net for all pet families. Serving San Diego County since 1880, San Diego Humane Society has campuses in El Cajon, Escondido, Oceanside, Ramona and San Diego. For more information, please visit sdhumane.org. Follow the SDHS Media Relations department on [Twitter @sdhumane](https://twitter.com/sdhumane).

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