

BELLA VISTA ANIMAL SHELTER

“PAWS AIDE” PROGRAM

The Bella Vista Animal Shelter, Inc. a local 501 © 3 non-profit

has developed the “Paws Aide” program with the mission of encouraging and enabling citizens of Northwest Arkansas who require assistance in keeping their four footed family members during the hard economic times we are experiencing.

This program includes but is not limited to the following:

- Offer shelter and care for pets in peril so the owner’s can seek safe haven at the Benton County Battered Women’s Shelter.
- Offer free of charge, food to pet owner’s who can’t afford the foods needed for their pets.
- Provide free dog houses for shelter of animals.
- Assist in obtaining lower cost veterinary care for ill animals and in some cases subsidize the cost ourselves.
- Provide assistance in pet deposits when owners are forced to move to rental properties after foreclosure or bankruptcy.
- Offer Senior to Senior adoptions whereby a person 60 or older can adopt a dog or cat 7 years or older at no charge.
Pet ownership has been proven to enhance the health, welfare and longevity of senior citizens and provide loving homes for older strays whom can be harder to place.
- Offer Low Cost Spay/Neuter Program for \$20.00 fee that ***will cover the cost of spay/neuter of pets 100% with*** participating veterinary clinics. Income guidelines meet HUD guidelines. Fee can be waived in extreme hardship.
- **Must Meet HUD Income Guidelines for the Entire Program**

“PAWS AIDE” INCOME GUIDE LINES

FAMILY OF 1: UP TO \$ 23,000.00 PER YEAR

FAMILY OF 2: UP TO \$ 27,000.00 PER YEAR

FAMILY OF 3: UP TO \$ 31,000.00 PER YEAR

4 OR MORE: UP TO \$ 35,000.00 PER YEAR

5 OR MORE: UP TO \$ 40,000.00 PER YEAR

6 OR MORE: UP TO \$ 45,000.00 PER YEAR

**INCOME MUST BE VERIFIED BY TAX RETURN/PAY STUB ETC.
NO ONE WILL BE ABLE TO GET ASSISTANCE WITHOUT THIS.**

Guidelines meet HUD & Washington County Guidelines.