

Teens Volunteering at LHS

Steps to volunteering	<p>1) RSVP to attend teen orientation & register for available volunteer program</p> <p>2) Attend teen orientation with a parent or legal guardian & complete required training</p> <p>3) Complete one shift a week for a 3 month volunteer session</p>
Who can Volunteer	<p>Teens 13-18 years old (18 & still in high school)</p> <p>If you are in MIDDLE SCHOOL and are at least 13 years old you will participate as a Junior Animal Care Assistant (JACA). If you are in HIGH SCHOOL (going into 9th – 12th grade) you will participate in our Dog TLC program.</p>
Program Availability	<p>The LHS teen volunteer program is very popular & in high demand. The availability of each program will vary based on current volunteers & animal population. Some programs may be closed during certain sessions.</p>
Orientation	<p>Teen orientations are <i>typically</i> held on a quarterly basis, winter, spring, summer, & fall. In the past they have been held September, January, April, end of May/beginning of June.</p> <p>The first step to volunteering is to RSVP to attend our teen orientation. Attendance with a parent or legal guardian is required.</p> <p>Once the orientation & training dates have been set they will be posted on the website, you are welcome to RSVP, this will ensure that the dates will work for your schedule. There will be a link posted on the website to RSVP when dates are available.</p>

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Training	<p>Training is an essential step to volunteering with us, as it prepares the volunteers to be independent, safe, and confident in their job responsibilities.</p> <p>Training in the program will be held the days following orientation. Due to limited resources there are no make-up days & all training dates, the entire class time, must be attended to participate in the volunteer session.</p>
Commitment	<p>Though many volunteers stay with us for years, we ask that teen volunteers commit to a minimum of 3 months of service of one shift a week.</p> <p>Examples of shift times: Dog TLC & Feline Friend include: Sunday-Saturday 8-10 a.m., 10-noon, noon-2 p.m., 2-4 p.m. or 4-6 p.m.</p> <p>J.A.C.A & Small Paws include: Sunday-Saturday 11:30 a.m.-1 p.m., 1-2:30 p.m., 2:30-4 p.m., & 4-5:30 p.m.</p>
Donation Fee	<p>We kindly ask for a \$25 contribution at orientation for a volunteer T-shirt and to help defray the cost of administering the volunteer program, which leaves more resources available for care of the animals.</p>
For more information	<p>When is the next orientation? Dates will be posted on the website once the dates have been set. You can add your name to the wait list to be notified when the dates have been posted.</p> <p>Additional questions? Please email kaleigh@longmonthumane.org Or call 303-772-1232 x278</p>