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## CENTRAL PA HUMANE SOCIETY – DOG ADOPTION APPLICATION

Congratulations! You are beginning the process of bringing a life-long companion and family member into your home. This application is designed to help you select the dog that is best suited to your family and lifestyle.

Completing an application does not guarantee an approval for adoption. Multiple applications may be placed on the same animal. We do not process them on a first come, first served basis. All applications are given equal consideration.

### Only a COMPLETE application will be considered

Please read and initial that you have read and understand the above statement INITIAL: \_\_\_\_\_

**Please initial that you have read each line below:**

- \_\_\_\_\_ A \$5.00 non-refundable application fee must be paid when submitting your application.
- \_\_\_\_\_ All individuals who live in the home must visit with the shelter dog you are interested in adopting.
- \_\_\_\_\_ If you have other dogs living in the home a meet and greet is required.
- \_\_\_\_\_ Proof of current rabies vaccination for dogs and cats living in the home is required.
- \_\_\_\_\_ If you rent, verbal landlord approval is required.
- \_\_\_\_\_ Current proof of identification is required (e.g. driver’s license). Must match address on application.
- \_\_\_\_\_ After your application is complete, you will be notified if you have been approved or not.

At the time of adoption, you will be asked to complete an adoption contract and pay an adoption fee. Our fees are:

<b>DOG</b>	<b>Over 7 months</b>	<b>PACKAGE PRICE - \$180.00</b>
<b>PUPPY</b>	<b>6 months &amp; under</b>	<b>PACKAGE PRICE - \$230.00</b>

Includes: • Spay/Neuter, current Rabies, Bordetella (kennel cough) and DHLPP (distemper/parvo) vaccinations, deworming, microchip, adoption fee and shelter ID tag.

**Veterans & First Responders get half-off adoption fees. Other specials may apply - ask for details.**

**PLEASE NOTE:** AS A RULE, WE CANNOT HOLD ANIMALS FOR ANYONE. Please keep in mind that there is no such thing as a “PERFECT PET”. Any adopted animal will require training, patience and ample time to adjust to its new home. While we carefully monitor animals surrendered to CPHS, we have limited knowledge of their background. Therefore, we cannot guarantee the health, behavior, age, gender, health care, or breed of any animal adopted from the shelter.

I acknowledge the information on this page and agree to the fees noted above.

\_\_\_\_\_ *Print Name* \_\_\_\_\_ *Signature*

\$5.00 Application fee paid:  YES  TO PAY Date of Application \_\_\_\_\_

\* Staff to complete

I am interested in a CPHS membership to save 10% on pet adoptions and other saving benefits.

I am interested in the following dogs						Office use:
1 <sup>st</sup> Choice	Intake #	Breed:	Age:	Gender M / F	Spay/Neuter YES / NO	<input type="checkbox"/> Approved <input type="checkbox"/> Went with another applicant <input type="checkbox"/> Customer changed mind
2 <sup>nd</sup> Choice	Intake #	Breed:	Age:	Gender M / F	Spay/Neuter YES / NO	<input type="checkbox"/> Approved <input type="checkbox"/> Went with another applicant <input type="checkbox"/> Customer changed mind
3 <sup>rd</sup> Choice	Intake #	Breed:	Age:	Gender M / F	Spay/Neuter YES / NO	<input type="checkbox"/> Approved <input type="checkbox"/> Went with another applicant <input type="checkbox"/> Customer changed mind

**PRIMARY APPLICANT**

Name: \_\_\_\_\_ Cell Phone: \_\_\_\_\_

Street Address: \_\_\_\_\_ Home Phone: \_\_\_\_\_

All addresses must include a street name (No PO Box #'s or RD #'s)

City: \_\_\_\_\_ County: \_\_\_\_\_ State: \_\_\_\_\_ Zip: \_\_\_\_\_

Employer: \_\_\_\_\_ Work Phone: \_\_\_\_\_

Email : \_\_\_\_\_ Driver's License # \_\_\_\_\_

Photocopy required

Are you a veteran?  YES  NO Are you 65 years or older?  YES  NO

Are you a First Responder?  YES  NO *Entitled to discounted dog license*

**CO-APPLICANT**

Name: \_\_\_\_\_ Cell Phone: \_\_\_\_\_

Employer: \_\_\_\_\_ Work Phone: \_\_\_\_\_

**Applicant to complete:**

1. Do you live in a  House  Apartment  Mobile Home  Dorm  Other: \_\_\_\_\_

2. Do you  Own  Rent Other (please explain) \_\_\_\_\_

If you **RENT** your **HOME** or the **LAND** for your mobile home, please complete below:

Homeowners Name: \_\_\_\_\_ Phone: \_\_\_\_\_

Landowners Name: \_\_\_\_\_ Phone: \_\_\_\_\_

3. Does where you live have any restrictions on pets? Weight, type or number?  YES  NO

If YES, what are they? \_\_\_\_\_

4. How many adults live in your home? \_\_\_\_\_ Children? \_\_\_\_\_ Ages of Children? \_\_\_\_\_

5. Is anyone living in your household allergic to dogs and/or cats?  YES  NO

6. Why are you interested in adopting a dog? \_\_\_\_\_

7. The CPHS believes that adoption is forever, for the lifetime of the pet. Pets can live 10 to 20 years. Are you prepared to provide daily care (time and expenses) for this many years?  
 YES       NOT SURE (explain) \_\_\_\_\_
8. I want my new dog to be: (check all that apply)  
 Inside     Outside     Enthusiastic     Playful     Laid Back     Lap Dog     Guard Dog  
 Other: (please explain) \_\_\_\_\_
9. How many hours a day do you spend away from home? \_\_\_\_\_  Work     School     Other  
 • While away, how will the new dog spend it's time? \_\_\_\_\_
10. Active and/or young dogs may require training to make them better, well-behaved companions. Are you willing to take on the added **expense, time and commitment** to help a dog become a compatible family member?  
 YES       NOT SURE (explain) \_\_\_\_\_

11. How will you handle a situation if your new dog claws, chews or shows signs of destructive behavior?  
 \_\_\_\_\_

12. Pertaining to potty breaks would you:       Walk the dog on a leash       Place on a cable/tie out  
*Check all that apply*  
 Electronic fenced yard     Fully fenced in yard     Open door to let out freely

13. If a personal financial, health or some other situation arises and you cannot keep your pet, you are required to return the pet to CPHS. This way the pet can be re-adopted to another qualified family. If you feel you have a suitable home to rehome your pet to (i.e. family member/friend) instead of returning it, this must **first be approved by CPHS**. A transfer of ownership contract must be completed (*free of charge*) **before** the animal is rehomed. The exclusion to this is any animal showing aggression or behavior issues 90 days after adoption, where it is then up to the owner to seek advice from their veterinarian or other professional. In initialing you understand that this will be part of the adoption contract. **INITIALS** \_\_\_\_\_

14. Pennsylvania State Law requires that all puppies/dogs that are three (3) to four (4) months of age or older shall receive regular vaccinations against Rabies. We also urge the following precautions:  
 • The pet should receive annual vaccines as recommended by your Veterinarian.  
 • The pet should always wear a safety collar with current identification information and rabies tag.  
 Do you agree with these responsibilities:  YES     NO     NOT SURE (please explain): \_\_\_\_\_

15. Pennsylvania State Law requires all animals adopted from shelters be spayed or neutered within a specified period of time. How do you feel about spaying or neutering?     AGREE     DISAGREE     NOT SURE

**VETERINARIAN INFORMATION** (if current pet owner)       **NO PETS CURRENTLY**

Name of Veterinarian: \_\_\_\_\_ Phone Number: \_\_\_\_\_

Pet Owner's Name on record with Veterinarian \_\_\_\_\_

I understand that I must supply Rabies vaccination records for my pets to CPHS within 48 hours for consideration of my application. Failure to comply within 48 hours may result in revocation of my application. I am aware that prior to placement of a pet from CPHS, my currently owned pets, for their protection, must be up to date on necessary rabies vaccination. **INITIAL:** \_\_\_\_\_

LIST ALL THE ANIMALS THAT YOU HAVE OWNED OR LIVED WITH IN THE PAST FIVE (5) YEARS (LIVING & DECEASED)

TYPE (Dog, Cat, etc)	PET'S NAME	BREED	GENDER	AGE	SPAYED / NEUTERED	Where is this animal now?	How long owned?
					<input type="checkbox"/> YES <input type="checkbox"/> NO		
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**NO PETS CURRENTLY** Please check if applicable

**CPHS STANDARDS FOR ADOPTION**

- All persons living in the household are to meet with and be involved in the selection of the pet.
- All adopted pets are always to be current on vaccinations and rabies inoculations.
- NO animal will be adopted as a gift for another person.
- According to the Pennsylvania State Laws, all dogs must be kept under control and cannot be allowed to run at large, so as not to create a public health and safety problem.
- Dogs are to be indoor pets only and are not permitted to be kept outdoors.
- CPHS does their best to adopt healthy, well-adjusted animals, however this cannot be guaranteed. If a dog shows aggression or behavior issues 90 days after adoption, it is up to the owner to seek professional advice from their veterinarian or dog trainer. CPHS has the right to review each case separately.
- No animal will be adopted to persons having extensive history of losing, giving away, selling or having animals injured or killed by moving vehicles.

**I (WE) CERTIFY THAT ALL INFORMATION GIVEN IS CORRECT AND AGREE TO THE ABOVE CPHS STANDARDS FOR ADOPTION.**

Primary Applicants Signature \_\_\_\_\_ Date: \_\_\_\_\_

Co-Applicants Signature \_\_\_\_\_ Date: \_\_\_\_\_

**We are interested in how you heard about this animal(s)**

- Visit to Shelter     Petfinder Website     Facebook     WTAJ TV     Petco     CPHS Website
- Twitter     Referred by someone     Referred by Rescue Group     Other \_\_\_\_\_

**NEWSPAPERS:**     Altoona Mirror     Tyrone Herald     Centre Daily Times     Traders Guide

**RADIO:**     WALY 104     WFBG     WRTA     WRTN     WBQX (Q94)

## CPHS VISITOR WAIVER AND RELEASE OF LIABILITY FORM

**This form must be signed prior to visiting any animal at the Central PA Humane Society (CPHS)**

I wish to visit with shelter pets at CPHS. I understand that I do so at my own risk. I hereby release and waive all claims against the CPHS and the entities affiliated with the foregoing from liability for any and all loss, damage, injuries, claims, demands, lawsuits, expenses and any other liability of any kind, of or to me, any child (children), or any other person directly or indirectly arising out of, or in connection with my visit.

Visitor(s):

Visitor's Name: \_\_\_\_\_ Visitor's Signature: \_\_\_\_\_

Visitor's Name: \_\_\_\_\_ Visitor's Signature: \_\_\_\_\_

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**If visitor(s) is under 18 years of age they must be accompanied by parent/guardian and parent/guardian must sign:**

Child's Name/Age: \_\_\_\_\_ Parent/Guardian Signature: \_\_\_\_\_

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***Once again, we thank you for visiting the shelter and spending time with our animals.  
We will review your application and contact you after review.***

## CPHS MISSION STATEMENT

*To prevent animal neglect and cruelty through education and enforcement while providing a safe haven and finding forever homes for those in need.*

*The Central PA Humane Society (CPHS), serving Blair and surround counties in Pennsylvania, is a charitable, non-profit 501(c)(3) organization dedicated to helping animals and people. The primary goal of CPHS is to find loving homes for adoptable animals.*

**THIS PAGE IS FOR SHELTER USE ONLY**

Primary Applicant Name: \_\_\_\_\_

In Petpoint?  YES  NO

Co-applicant Name: \_\_\_\_\_

In Petpoint  YES  NO

Comments: \_\_\_\_\_  
 \_\_\_\_\_  
 \_\_\_\_\_

CPHS Standards for Adoption Signed:  YES  NO

Landlord contacted  YES  NO  N/A Date: \_\_\_\_\_

Landlord approved  YES  NO  N/A Date: \_\_\_\_\_

Vet records received  YES  NO  N/A

Other dogs in home visited  YES  NO How many dogs to visit? \_\_\_\_\_  N/A

All family members visited  YES  NO Still to visit \_\_\_\_\_

**SHELTER APPROVED:**  YES  NO

If yes, by whom: \_\_\_\_\_

If no, then why? \_\_\_\_\_

Applicant Contacted  YES Date: \_\_\_\_\_

Time: \_\_\_\_\_

**NOTES: Include complete dates. Initial your notes.**

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### CPHS Adoption criteria

**STAFF TO COMPLETE  
THIS PAGE - THANKS**

#### CPHS - Adopter requirements to complete an application.

Thank you submitting an adoption application for a shelter pet! The following needs to be completed before your application is considered complete

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- All dogs living in the home are required to do a meet and greet with the shelter dog you wish to adopt.
- Proof of current rabies vaccinations are required for all dogs and cats in your home - this is a state mandated requirement. If your pet is not current on rabies CPHS can sell you a pre-paid voucher to have your pet vaccinated by the CPHS veterinarian on a Wednesday or Friday morning. Or you are welcome to book your pet in with your veterinarian, however please note this can often delay your application as we require proof of the vaccination being completed.
- If you rent your home, (or the land your mobile home is on), your landlord (or the landowner) is required to verbally approve with CPHS staff that you are allowed to have the pet you wish to adopt in that home/on the premises. CPHS staff will call the landlord/land owner to ask them for approval for you to have that pet. If you have not spoken to your landlord we recommend you do so and know what your pet policy is.

I understand what is required of me to complete my adoption application: \_\_\_\_\_ Date: \_\_\_\_\_  
*Please initial*



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Until ALL criteria is met, your application is NOT considered complete, and it CANNOT be reviewed by an adoption counsellor. It is your responsibility to follow up and make sure that you meet the requirements. Ideally an application should be completed within 48 hours.

After the initial call is made to your landlord for approval or your veterinarian for veterinary records, CPHS are not responsible for continuing to follow up for a response. You can assist this process by making sure your landlord or veterinarian responds to our initial inquires.

NOTE: Multiple applications are taken on animals. CPHS does not work on a first in, first served basis. We look for the best match between applicants and animal. Dogs are assessed and that assessment will be reviewed by the adoption counsellor when taking into consideration multiple applicants. Please understand that if you miss out of your choice of animal this does not reflect on you as a pet owner or possible adopter. Our goal is to best match the pet for the family. This can lead to disappointment for some, but please be assured we will continue to work with you to find a pet that is perfect for you!

Given to applicant on: \_\_\_\_\_ Date