

# Local Animal Transport Volunteer

### **Description:**

Local animal transports provide important opportunities for animals at NOCO Humane. Animals can be transported to offsite adoption locations, transferred to other local shelters or transferred to NOCO Humane.

#### **Objective:**

Local Animal Transport Volunteers drive *their personal vehicles* while transporting 1 - 2 animals in crates to offsite adoption locations or to/from partner shelters

#### Supervision:

Directly reports to the Foster and Transfer Coordinator. Indirectly reports to the Volunteer and Humane Education Program Manager and Client Services Supervisors or Lead.

Volunteer hours will be emailed to the Volunteer and Humane Education Program Manager after each transportation at volunteer@larimerhumane.org

#### **Requirements:**

All Transport Volunteers must be at least 21 years of age Proof of current driver's license and auto insurance required Volunteers 18 years of age and older must complete a national criminal background check and sex offender search.

#### **Commitment:**

Local Animal Transport Volunteers must commit to at least one transport per month

#### Working Conditions:

Volunteer work will be performed in the animal shelter setting and driving to and from offsite adoption locations. There is a potential for exposure to zoonotic diseases and cleaning chemicals, exposure to dangerous and fractious animals, exposure to high noise levels when in kennel area, and a potential for animal bites and scratches while handling animals

#### **Physical Activities:**

Lifting of up to 50 pounds unassisted; kneeling, squatting, bending, walking dogs on a leash, handling animals of all temperaments, animal restraint and driving a car

## Training:

- D Attend a Volunteer Orientation
- Interview with a Foster and Transfer Coordinator
- Attend hands-on Animal Handling Training
- □ Attend Safe Cat Handling Training
- Watch all required driving training videos
- □ Attend on the job first shift training

## Duties:

- Check email regularly to learn about driving needs (often less than one-week's notice before assignments due to unexpected animal needs). Needs range across the Foster, Veterinary Services, Client Services or Behavior & Enrichment departments.
- **Transportation**, using personal vehicle, of animals to or from NOCO Humane shelter
- □ Transport involves 1-2 animals at one time, usually involving in-state and local destinations
- Using proper and approved animal handling techniques, Local Animal Transport Volunteers may be responsible for loading and unloading animals into carriers
- Follow NOCO Humane's driving protocol and adhere to any requests for driver's license, insurance and waivers to be signed

# Dress Code:

- Green volunteer t-shirt
- Closed-toe shoes
- Pants

Please note that you will be handling cleaning chemicals and animals so be aware that clothing may get dirty.

# Department Contact Information:

transfer@nocohumane.org (970) 226-3647 ext. 3210

**NOTE:** Animal transport volunteers will not be reimbursed by NOCO Humane for mileage. However, a tax preparer or other financial advisor may have recommendations for recording miles to receive a tax benefit or reduction.