

Alternatives for Animal Lovers

Volunteering as a foster parent is a fantastic way to have animals in your life without making a long-term commitment. Volunteers fostering Hawaiian Humane Society animals are provided with food and other supplies, as well as veterinary care, for their foster animals.

There is always a need for foster families. When Hawaiian Humane Society's Adoptions Center gets full, community volunteers are called upon to provide temporary care for dogs, cats or other animals in their homes. Other animals in need of care include:

- Animals being treated for illness
- Injured animals recovering from surgery
- Underweight puppies and kittens
- Pets of Patriots

Fostering for Pets of Patriots helps service members while providing their pets a temporary home. Volunteers for this program make a special commitment, opening their homes to animals for six months or a year while their owners are deployed overseas. In Pets of Patriots, all of the pet's financial needs are usually taken care of by the pet owner.



Pet Abandonment

The abandonment of pets by people leaving our state is an avoidable cause of animal suffering and a criminal act. Animals left to fend for themselves suffer from dehydration, starvation, attacks and injury.

If you can no longer care for a pet, or you find yourself with a litter of puppies or kittens, placing the animals in loving homes is ideal. If that is not possible, please take the animals to a humane shelter.

Safe Surrender The Hawaiian Humane Society is an open admissions shelter. We accept all animals, including pets that are illegal in Hawaii, without sanctions.

There are other shelters on Oahu that accept animals on a case by case basis. More information about them can be found online.

You can make a difference

Animals deserve our care and compassion. Please help Hawaii's animals by preventing unplanned litters, ensuring pets have up-to-date identification, safely surrendering any animals you cannot keep and fostering animals in need.

We hope your stay on Oahu is rewarding. Please contact us if we can be of any assistance.

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Heroes for Animals





E komo mai

The Hawaiian Humane Society welcomes members of the U.S. armed forces stationed on Oahu and their families.

Established in 1883, the Hawaiian Humane Society is an independent, local nonprofit that advocates for the human-animal bond and the humane treatment of all animals. We are also the City & County of Honolulu's animal services contractor.

As Oahu's only open-admissions animal shelter, the Society welcomes all animals that come through our doors

We offer this guide to encourage you to join our effort to care for Hawaii's animals by making informed decisions about acquiring or assisting companion animals during your stay in the islands.

Responsible Pet Ownership

When adding a pet to your family, consider your lifestyle, the animal's needs and the cost of life-long care, including food and veterinary medicine.

Relevant to military families are the costs and obstacles you might encounter in taking a pet along when being transferred out of state. Difficulties might include:

Cost It can be expensive to ship animals from Hawaii to domestic or international destinations. Expenses include:

- Pre-shipment veterinary care, including health certificates and rabies vaccination certification
- An approved shipping crate
- Airline fees
- Moving company fees for pet transport

Logistics Obstacles to consider:

- Restrictions by some airlines on shipping dates
- Limits on the number and type of animals allowed on planes
- Preparation of proper documentation in time for shipment

Pet IDs Up-to-date microchips and visual identification tags are the best ways to ensure reunification with lost pets. A form to update microchip information can be found at HawaiianHumane.org.

The military requires pets housed on base to be microchipped. Unlike collars and tags, microchips never need to be replaced. This proven and harmless technology has helped countless animals find their way home.

Microchips and readers are available at veterinary clinics and the Hawaiian Humane Society.

Spay/Neuter Sterilized pets live longer and are healthier.

The City & County of Honolulu has a program offering reduced-fee spay neuter services through participating Oahu clinics.

Honolulu's low-fee Spay/Neuter program

Neuter Now certificates cost:

- \$40 for a male cat
- \$50 for a female cat
- \$125 for a male dog
- \$150 for a female dog

Certificates are available at Satellite City Hall locations around the island, as well as at the Hawaiian Humane Society. For a list of veterinary clinics that honor the certificates, go to HawaiianHumane.org.

Pets of Patriots

Hawaiian Humane Society's Pets of Patriots program provides foster care assistance for active duty military personnel being deployed overseas or sent on military training.

If you or someone you know is scheduled to deploy, please call 356-2229 or email fostercare@hawaiianhumane.org for more information about the program.

