Tri-State Area No-Kill Shelters & Rescues

These no-kill shelters manage their own admissions, which means they may or may not be able to accept an animal depending on space, resources, medical needs, and other factors. *No-kill = minimum 90% save rate benchmark*

Tips: Rescues and shelters are overwhelmed, and the burden should not fall on them alone. If you need help, be ready to help too. Provide clear photos, vet records, vaccine history, spay/neuter status, and honest information about the animal's behavior and medical needs. Ask whether the group has a wait list, and follow up politely if needed. If you are able, offer to foster, transport, provide supplies, make a donation, or help with vetting costs. Everyone involved should be doing what they can to be part of the solution rather than relying entirely on a rescue to solve the problem. Ask what kind of help would make placement possible. Before surrendering or reaching out to rescues, also consider whether family, friends, neighbors, or trusted community contacts may be able to help with temporary fostering or permanent placement.

Rescue Name	Location	Phone	Email	website	
Advocates 4 Animals Feline Rescue & Rehabilitation	Xenia, OH			Adopt-a-Pet	cats (Greene & Montgomery Cos.)
All Paws Matter	Middletown, OH	513-341-5128	allpawsmatter45042@gmail.com	allpawsmatterrescue.org	cats & dogs
Animal Adoption Foundation	Hamilton, OH	513-737-7387	office@aafpets.org	aafpets.org	cats & dogs
Animal Rescue Fund	Amelia, OH	513-753-9252		animalrescuefundamelia.com	cats & dogs
Animal Resource Center of Montgomery County	Dayton, OH	937-898-4457	animalshelter@mcohio.org	mcanimals.org	dogs only — no longer takes cats (refers cats to SICSA & HSGD)
Animals For Life	Xenia, OH			Adopt-a-Pet	cats & dogs
Barely Used Pets	Urbana, OH	937-869-8090	barelyusedpets@yahoo.com	barelyusedpets.com	
Blues Mews Cat Rescue	Fairborn, OH	937-271-1411	adopt@bluesmews.org	bluesmews.org	cats (Siamese)
Calliope's Kitten Cottage	Cincinnati, OH	Facebook	Facebook	Facebook	
Cat Adoption Team	Covington, KY		catadoptionteam@ymail.com	catadoptionteam.net	cats
Cat-Tales Rescue	Cincinnati, OH		cat-talesrescue@hotmail.com	Adopt-a-Pet	cats
Cincinnati Cats Inc.	Cincinnati, OH	513-609-9834	info@cincinnati-cats.org	cincinnati-cats.org	cats (special needs)
City Cat Rescue, Inc.	Cincinnati, OH		citycatrescueinc@gmail.com	Facebook	cats
Clermont Pets Alive	Amelia, OH	513-317-3343	contact@clermontpetsalive.org	clermontpetsalive.org	cats
Clinton County Humane Society	Wilmington, OH	937-383-0703	adopt@cchspets.com	cchspets.com	cats & dogs
Crazy Cats Animal Rescue	Cincinnati, OH	513-655-2400	info@crazycatsanimalrescue.com	crazycatsanimalrescue.com	cats
For The Love of Kittens	Cincinnati, OH	513-236-7923	ftlok@att.net	Facebook	cats
Forever Home Rescue	Middletown, OH			Adopt-a-Pet	cats
Forever Homes Cat Adoption	Covington, KY			https://fhcatadoption.square.site/	cats
Fostering Felines	Bethel, OH		fosteringfelinesintakes@gmail.com	fosteringfelines.org	cats from Clermont Co. only
Found House Pet Support Program	Cincinnati, OH	513-471-1100 x125	info@foundhouse.org	foundhouse.org	temporary shelter for owners in housing transition
Franklin County Humane Society	Brookville, IN			Petfinder	cats — 107 High St.; visits by appt.
Friends of Franklin County Indiana Animal Shelter	Metamora, IN		Franklincountyadoptions@gmail.com	friendsfcanimalshelter.com	cats & dogs
Furrfetchers	Batavia, OH	513-507-3600	furrfetchers@gmail.com	Facebook	cats & dogs
Gem City Kitties	Dayton, OH	937-949-9170	contact form on website	gemcitykitties.org	cats
HALO	Xenia, OH	937-736-2055		Adopt-a-Pet	cats & dogs
HART Animal Rescue	Cincinnati, OH		doghart@gmail.com; hartkitties@gmail.com; contactus@rescueahart.org	rescueahart.org	cats & dogs
Heartt Animal Refuge	Cincinnati, OH	513-602-7729	haveaheartt@yahoo.com	hearttanimalrefuge.org	cats & dogs (merged with Holly's Paws in 2025)
His Eye Is On The Sparrow Animal Rescue	Loveland, OH	513-227-8414	heiots.animalrescue@gmail.com	heiots.org/index.html	cats & dogs
His Hands Extended Sanctuary	St. Paris, OH	937-663-0015	spay.neuter.clinic@windstream.net	hhesclinic.wixsite.com/animal-sanctuary	cats & dogs
Humane Society of Greater Dayton	Dayton, OH	937-268-PETS	info@hsdayton.org	hsdayton.org	cats & dogs
Humane TNR	Xenia, OH			Adopt-a-Pet	cats (TNR & foster)
I Mother Orphaned Kittens	Milford, OH			Adopt-a-Pet	kittens
Indiana Happy Tails Rescue	Milan, IN			Adopt-a-Pet	cats & dogs
Joseph's Legacy	Middletown, OH	513-393-9661	contactus@josephslegacyrescue.org	jlrescue.org	cats & dogs
Lavender's Legacy Cat Rescue	Miamisburg, OH			Petfinder	cats (seniors, special needs, neonatal kittens)
League for Animal Welfare	Batavia, OH	513-735-2299	info@lfaw.org	lfaw.org	cats & dogs
Liberty Acres United	Liberty, IN	765-969-4782	shell@libertyacresunited.com	libertyacresunited.com	cats & dogs
Lifeline Cat Rescue	Dayton, OH	937-620-9281	adopt@lifelinecats.org	lifelinecats.org	cats
LINK Animal Rescue	Lebanon, OH			Adopt-a-Pet	cats
Louie's Legacy Animal Rescue	Cincinnati, OH (also NYC/CT)	812-363-3210	contact form on website	louieslegacy.org	cats & dogs
Lucky Tales Rescue	Ft. Thomas, KY	859-363-6177	luckytalesrescue@gmail.com	luckytalesrescue.org	cats & dogs
Miami County Humane Society	Troy, OH	937-335-9955			cats (foster-based, TNR)
Myles Ahead Animal Sanctuary	Morrow, OH	513-440-7330	mylesaheadrescue@gmail.com	mylesaheadrescue.org	cats & dogs
Ohio Pet Sanctuary	Cincinnati, OH	513-388-9998	mailbox@ohiopetsanctuary.com	ohiopetsanctuary.com	cats
Our Farm Sanctuary	Tipp City, OH	937-506-0696	ourfarmsanctuary@gmail.com	ourfarmsanctuary.org	cats, dogs, farm animals
Paw Defenders	Brookville, IN			Adopt-a-Pet	cats & dogs
Paw Patrol	Kettering, OH	937-350-1729	webmaster@pawpatroldayton.com	pawpatroldayton.com	cats & dogs
Paw Prints Animal Rescue	Florence, KY		pawprintsnky@gmail.com	pawprintsnky.com	cats & dogs
PAWS Adoption Center	Monroe, OH	513-539-7297	info@pawsadoptioncenter.org	pawsadoptioncenter.org	cats & dogs
PAWS Humane Society	Wilmington, OH	937-768-4203	pawshumanesocietyinc@gmail.com	pawshumane.weebly.com	cats & dogs
Pawsitive Change Matters Most	Washington Twp., OH			Adopt-a-Pet	cats & dogs
Peppermint Pig Animal Rescue	Cincinnati, OH	513-474-0005		peppermintpiganimalrescue.org	cats & dogs
Perfectly Imperfect Pet Rescue	Lebanon, OH	513-409-4050	info@piprescue.com	piprescue.com	special needs/medical — cats & dogs. NOT accepting new intakes (Nov 2026)
Pets of Ohio Rescue Team	Washington Twp., OH	513-654-9653	info@petsofohiorescueteam.org	petsofohiorescueteam.org	cats & dogs
Protect 4 Paws	Wilder, KY	859-781-0551	protect4paws@gmail.com	protect4paws.weebly.com	cats & dogs
Purrfect Additions Inc.	Dayton, OH	937-348-1221	purrfectadditionsinc@gmail.com	purrfectadditionsinc.com	cats
Purrfect Friends Cat Rescue	Cincinnati, OH	513-557-2107	info@pfcatrescue.org	pfcatrescue.org	cats
Rescue Angels	Covington, KY			Adopt-a-Pet	
Robyn's Nest	Germantown, OH	937-247-9272	robyn@robynsnestrescue.com	robynsnestrescue.com	cats, dogs, rabbits & small animals
ROSA'S (Rescue Our Shelter Animals & Strays)	Alexandria, KY			Adopt-a-Pet	cats & dogs
Save A Kitty Rescue – Ohio Area Transport	Dayton, OH			Adopt-a-Pet	cats
Save Our Strays	Cincinnati, OH			Adopt-a-Pet	cats (spay/neuter focus)
Save the Animals Foundation	Cincinnati, OH	513-561-7823	info@staf.org	staf.org	cats & dogs
Second Hand Paws	Cincinnati, OH		secondhandpaws@yahoo.com	secondhandpaws.org	
SICSA Pet Adoption & Wellness Center	Washington Twp. (Dayton), OH	937-294-6505	info@sicsa.org	sicsa.org	cats & dogs
Southwest Ohio Feline Advocates	Fairfield, OH		southwestohiofelineadvocates@yahoo.com	Facebook	cats
SPCA Cincinnati	Sharonville & Over-the-Rhine, OH	513-541-6100		spcacincinnati.org	cats & dogs
Spilled Milk Cat Sanctuary	Amelia, OH			Adopt-a-Pet	cats
Stray Animal Adoption Program (SAAP)	Newport, KY	859-391-1234	saap@adoptastray.com	adoptastray.com	cats & dogs
Stray Haven	Aurora, IN	812-655-1974	strayhavenadoptions@gmail.com	strayhavenpets.org	cats & dogs
Sweet Dream House Rescue	Batavia, OH	513-484-9840	contactus@dreamhouserescue.org	dreamhouserescue.org	cats & dogs
The Animal Pad – KY Chapter	Ryland Heights, KY			Adopt-a-Pet	cats, dogs & other animals
The Paws Cause Rescue	Franklin, OH	513-378-8969	thepawscauserescue@gmail.com	thepawscauserescue.org	cats
The Scratching Post	Cincinnati, OH	513-984-6369	info@thescratchingpost.org	thescratchingpost.org	cats — NOT accepting cats; closed to walk-ins, adoptions by appt. only
Three Sisters Pet Rescue / Ohio Hound Rescue	Cincinnati, OH	513-503-7234	3sistersohrescue@gmail.com	ohiohoundrescue.org	dogs & cats
Tiffany's Kitten Fosters	Milford, OH			Facebook	kittens
Tri-State Noah Project	Covington, KY	Facebook	tristatenoahproject@gmail.com	tristatenoahproject.com	cats
Wags and Whiskers Rescue	Taylor Mill, KY		wilson.animal.rescue@fuse.net	Facebook	cats

Open Admission Shelters

An open-admission shelter admits every stray and/or surrendered animal from within its jurisdiction. This type of shelter may be legally obligated by a municipal mandate or contract to admit every animal, or it may choose to be open admission according to its own organizational mission and policies. They do not promise to be no-kill and do their best with the limited resources available to them. Open-admission shelters have to make extremely difficult choices. They are responsible for making sure that animals adopted out of their shelter are safe to be in public. Open-admission shelters also have limited space and cannot say no to an animal. At times, they have no more space for animals and again have to make difficult decisions to euthanize based on space alone. Contact the shelter for the county where the animal was found or where you live, call ahead, and ask about surrender procedures, appointments, and required documentation.

Animal Friends Humane Society	Butler County, OH	1820 Princeton Road	Hamilton, OH	513-867-5727	animalfriendshs.org	
Boone County Animal Shelter	Boone County, KY	5620 Idlewild Road	Burlington, KY	859-586-5285	boonecountyanimalshelter.org	
Campbell County Animal Shelter	Campbell County, KY	1989 Poplar Ridge Road	Melbourne, KY	859-635-2819	campbellcountyky.gov	
Clermont County Animal Shelter	Clermont County, OH	4025 Filager Road	Batavia, OH	513-732-8854	clermontcountyohio.gov/animal-shelter	dogs
PAWS of Dearborn County	Dearborn County, IN	200 Charles A. Liddle Dr.	Lawrenceburg, IN	812-577-0829	pawsofdearborncounty.org	
Cincinnati Animal Care (*no kill*)	Hamilton County, OH	3949 Colerain Ave. 4210 Dane Ave.	Cincinnati, OH	513-541-PETS (7387)	cincinnatianimalcare.org	
Kenton County Animal Shelter	Kenton County, KY	1020 Mary Laidley Dr.	Covington, KY	859-356-7400	kentoncounty.org/153/Animal-Services	
Humane Society of Preble County	Preble County, OH	951 S. Barron St.	Eaton, OH	937-456-7387	humanesocietypc.com	
Warren County Animal Shelter	Warren County, OH	230 Cook Road	Lebanon, OH	513-695-1176	homelesspets.org	
Brown County Animal Shelter	Brown County, OH	100 Veterans Blvd.	Georgetown, OH	937-378-3457	bchsohio.org	dogs here; cats at 422 Lincoln Ave. (937-378-2210)
Montgomery County Animal Resource Center	Montgomery County, OH	6790 Webster St.	Dayton, OH	937-898-4457	mcanimals.org	dogs
Greene County Animal Care and Control	Greene County, OH	641 Dayton-Xenia Rd.	Xenia, OH			
Miami County Animal Shelter	Miami County, OH	1110 N. County Road 25A	Troy, OH		miamicountyohio.gov	no-kill since 2019; cats $45
Ohio County Animal Shelter	Ohio County, IN	1414 Fairground Road	Rising Sun, IN			
Dearborn County Animal Shelter	Dearborn County, IN	11681 County Farm Road	Aurora, IN	812-926-0910		
Franklin County (IN) Animal Shelter	Franklin County, IN	9076 Landfill Road	Metamora, IN		franklincounty.in.gov	volunteer-run; cats & dogs

Low Cost Spay & Neuter Resources

These clinics, voucher programs, and community resources may help lower the cost of spay/neuter services. Availability varies by species, location, residency rules, income qualifications, and appointment openings. Some options also provide TNR support, transport, or mobile services. Contact each organization directly to confirm current pricing, eligibility, and scheduling.

Crazy Cat & Dog Wellness Clinic	low-cost vaccines, microchips & wellness clinic - no appointment needed, no exam fees	2nd Saturday of every month, 10am-2pm	text only: 513-655-2400	6952 Plainfield Rd. (45236)	presented by Crazy Cats Animal Rescue in partnership with Jaax Veterinary Hospital
UCAN (cats & dogs)	contactus@ucancincinnati.org	ucancincinnati.org	513-721-7387	2830 Colerain Ave.	
EVI (Economic Veterinary Initiative — cats & rabbits)	evicincinnati@gmail.com	evicincinnati.org	513-748-3223	8018 Beechmont Ave.	
Dayton Humane Clinic (cats, dogs, rabbits)		hsdayton.org	937-965-4400	1661 Nicholas Rd. (Dayton)	
Animal Adoption Foundation (cats)	office@aafpets.org	aafpets.org	513-737-7387	2480 Ross Millville Rd (Hamilton)	
OAR - Ohio Alleycat Resource (cats)	info@ohioalleycat.org	ohioalleycat.org	513-871-0185	5619 Orlando Pl.	
Ohio Pet Sanctuary	mailbox@ohiopetsanctuary.com	ohiopetsanctuary.com	513-388-9998	8018 Beechmont Ave.	
Pet Friendly Services (cats, dogs)	$25 surgery if approved thru SNAP, works with many local IN vets	petfriendlyservices.org	317-767-7771		
Pets In Need (cats, dogs)	info@PINcincinnati.org	pincincinnati.org	513-761-7387	520 W. Wyoming Ave.	
His Hands Extended Sanctuary/Clinic (cats, dogs)	spay.neuter.clinic@windstream.net	hhesclinic.wixsite.com/animal-sanctuary	937-663-0015	1560 Dialton Rd. (St. Paris, OH)	
All 4 Paws Inc (cats, dogs)	all4pawsclinic@yahoo.com	all4pawsinc.org	502-370-4086	102 Finley Dr. (Georgetown, KY)	
SNIP (cats, dogs)	pitbulls only $30	kyhumane.org	502-636-3491	4918 Preston Hwy (Louisville, KY)	
Smith's Pit Stop (pitbulls/mixes)	fixapit929@gmail.com	smithspitstop.com		performed at local clinics around Cincinnati	
Madison County (cats, dogs)	info@humanesocietyall.com	humanesocietyall.com	859-626-5600 ext. 2	128-C Big Hill Ave. (Richmond, KY)	
Friends of the Shelter (cats, dogs)	friendsnky@gmail.com	friendsoftheshelterky.org		performed at local clinics around KY	must be a NKY resident
Butler County, OH TNR Warriors		Facebook			
Southwest Ohio Feline Advocates (SOFA)	Butler Co., OH	Facebook			
OAR TNR & Community Cats	Hamilton Co., OH	Facebook			
Miami County Humane Society			937-335-9955	voucher system	
Pet Advocate League	Dayton, OH		937-278-8330		
Humane Society of Greater Dayton	Dayton, OH	hsdayton.org			
Humane Association of Warren County	Lebanon, OH	homelesspets.org	513-695-1176	230 Cook Rd.	
MARX (Minimizing Animal Reproduction without Extremes)	Middletown, OH		513-465-3295		
Rascal Unit	mobile	rascalunit.com	614-791-7729		
Public Vet (formerly Neuter Scooter)	mobile	https://www.pub.vet/	812-412-2494		
NOMAD	mobile	nomadclinicforcats.webs.com or Facebook	614-348-7298	Darke & Montgomery Counties	
Neuterville Express	OAR transport van	https://ohioalleycat.org/spay-neuter/		picks up at spots in Loveland, Hamilton, Oxford, Franklin, Alexandria, Ft. Mitchell, Walton, & more	

Lost Pet Help

If your pet is missing, act quickly. Use local recovery help, online lost-pet tools, and microchip resources together.

Lost Pet Tips	Act fast. Start searching right away and post online as soon as possible. Check close to home first. Many lost cats, especially indoor-only cats, stay very nearby and may be hiding within just a few houses of home. Search at dawn, dusk, and late at night when it is quiet. Bring a flashlight, even in daylight, to help catch the reflection of a cat's eyes under decks, bushes, porches, and cars. Look carefully in hiding spots such as garages, sheds, crawl spaces, storm drains, dense shrubs, window wells, under steps, and under parked vehicles. Call softly and listen. A scared cat may not come out, but you may hear movement or meowing. Ask neighbors to check their garages, sheds, porches, and under decks, especially before opening and closing doors. If you have security cameras or can ask neighbors to review theirs, check for sightings. Put familiar scents outside, such as bedding, a blanket, or worn clothing. Do not rely only on food or litter, since food may attract other animals and litter box advice is mixed. Search repeatedly. A cat may stay hidden for days and only come out when things are calm. Post clear flyers nearby with a recent photo, location, date lost, and your phone number. Use multiple tools at once. Post on PawBoost, Petco Love Lost, local Facebook groups, and check shelter lost-and-found pages. Check shelters in person if possible and do not rely only on phone calls or websites. Check the microchip right away and make sure your contact information is current. For shy or indoor cats, think hiding, not roaming. If you are using a humane trap, make sure it is monitored closely and never left unattended for long periods. If you find a pet, report that too. Post found pets online, scan for a microchip, and contact local shelters and rescue groups. Keep online posts updated as lost, sighted, found, or reunited so people know what is current.				
Local Recovery Help					
Getmeowtahere TreeTop Cat Rescue	Duane Hook	614-323-8056	getmeowtahere.rescue@gmail.com	Columbus, OH & surrounding areas	
	Barry Bernard	513-315-6537	bbernard@zoomtown.com	Cincinnati, OH, Eastern IN, & Northern KY	
	Jeremy Brown	937-510-1157	urbantc@icloud.com	Dayton, OH & surrounding areas	
	Mark Caldwell	937-510-2404	mark@treecareinc.com	Dayton, OH	
Treetop Escape	Landon Smith	513-200-7021	landon@treetopescape.com	Cincinnati, OH & Northern KY	
Reaves Recovery & Rescue		513-886-2616	reavesrecoveryandrescue@gmail.com	Cincinnati, OH	
Online Tools					
PawBoost	Free lost & found pet database and alert platform; helps spread local lost/found pet reports.				https://www.pawboost.com/
Petco Love Lost	Free photo-matching search tool for lost and found pets nationwide.				https://petcolove.org/lost/
Check local Facebook lost/found pet groups	Search Facebook for local groups using terms like: lost and found pets + your city/county, lost cats + your area, or community cats + your area			examples: Warren County Ohio Lost and Found Pets, Cincinnati Tri-State Area Lost and Found Pets, Lost and Found Pets Cincinnati Public Group, and NKY Lost & Found Pets	
Check local county shelter lost-and-found pages					
Microchip Information					
AAHA Universal Pet Microchip Lookup Tool	Free lookup tool to identify which registry holds a pet's microchip record. You enter the 9-, 10-, or 15-digit chip number and it tells you which registry to contact next. This is especially helpful when you have a chip number but do not know the company.				https://www.petmicrochiplookup.org/
Microchip Help	for assistance with unregistered chips				microchiphelp.com
Free Microchip Registration	if you're uncertain whether your chip is registered, protect your animal by registering it in a free database like this one				freepetchipregistry.com