

PAW PRINTS

A Carteret County Humane Society Publication

Upcoming Events

Adopt-a-thon

October 4, 2025 from 10:00am-1:00pm
Beaufort Hardware in Beaufort

Adopt-a-thon

October 11, 2025 from 2:00-4:00pm
Mill Whistle Brewing, Beaufort

Single Marine Program-Pet Therapy Day

October 18, 2025
Cherry Point Air Base, Havelock

Hounds on the Town 1st Annual Dog Walk Fundraiser

October 25, 2025 from 10:00-2:00pm
Sea Paws, Morehead City

Wine & Design Meet and Greet Fundraiser

November 15, 2025 from 10:00am-12:00pm
Wine & Design, Morehead City

Community Engagement Santa's Magic Holiday Market

November 22, 2025 from 11:00am-3:00pm
Farm 58, Swansboro

Whiskers, Wags, and Mah Jongg

December 4, 2025 from 2:00-5:00pm
Coral Bay Club, Atlantic Beach

Single Marine Program-Pet Therapy Day

December 13, 2025
Cherry Point Air Base, Havelock

CC Humane Society Coloring Contest

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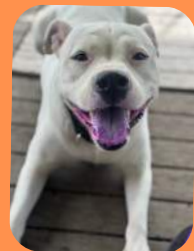
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Success of the Bow Wow Open Putt-Putt Tournament

On September 20th, the community came out to play in the Bow Wow Open Putt-Putt Tournament in Atlantic Beach to support the Carteret County Humane Society. Now in its 4th year, the tournament has raised close to one hundred thousand dollars, including sponsors, entry fees, raffles, auctions, and other donations associated with the tournament, with over thirty-eight thousand of that raised this year alone. Every dollar from the event goes to support The Shelter. Thanks to funds from the tournament, the Shelter has undergone much needed improvements to provide better care for the animals, including fencing, dog kennel doors, 6 industrial fans, a walking trail, an astroturf dog run, AED's throughout the facility, a storage building for essential supplies, a washer and dryer, a sponsored dog kennel and donated goods, as well as Christmas bonuses for shelter staff, and monthly employee lunches. When asked why he does this, tournament founder Tim Bowen said that he began collecting dog food for the shelter several years ago at the Topsy Turtle after he noticed that it was in "bad shape." He said he came up with the idea of a putt-putt tournament because he wanted to do something that everyone could participate in that could grow through the years. Tim said that he is proud of how people have come back time and time again to support the event. He also said that he couldn't do it without the help of John Thompson, owner of the Topsy Turtle in Atlantic Beach, who provides the space/building for events, and Stephanie Ross who helps organize the tournament. Tim said that the shelter is always on their minds. He stated, "We want to make it easier for pets, people, and volunteers." He also mentioned, "When the shelter needs something, call Tim." Without the Bow Wow Open Putt-Putt Tournament and the incredible supporters who participate in this event, none of this would be possible.

Kids & Community

Throughout this past summer, Shelter staff have seen kids come in to donate money and donations they have raised. Bennett Johnson, a third grader at Morehead City Primary School knew he wanted to have a lemonade stand during the summer to raise money for The Shelter. Once he figured out the perfect Saturday, he called his friend and neighbor, Ella Marie Osmus, a fourth grader at Morehead City Elementary School, to find out if she could join him. Bennett's mom, Katie, said "I'll never forget Ella calling him back saying she'd love to join and that she was so proud of him for deciding to donate the proceeds to a good cause!" Katie said that they had the best day and had so many friends, family, and neighbors come out to support their cause. They were able to raise almost \$250 and decided to bring it directly to the shelter that afternoon and love on all the cats while they were there. Katie said, "They made lots of memories and we loved teaching them how fulfilling it can be to give back to their community!" They can't wait to do it again. Shelter staff reported that another lemonade stand raised \$200 for the shelter and other kids brought in donations of food, litter, etc. throughout the summer. If you have or know kids who love animals and would like to help, they can raise money, donate food, or other needed items, and participate in adoption events, shelter cleaning, socialization, and fostering. Children under 18 must be supervised by an adult. Volunteering creates lasting memories and every contribution makes an impact on The Shelter and the lives of the animals that are cared for.



CCHS Monthly Coloring Contest

Open to participants 8 – 12 years of age. Download one dog or cat coloring page and entry form from the [CCHS Website – Events](#).

A special thank you to coloring contest prize sponsors:
 The Fuzzy Peach Frozen Yogurt Bar – Cape Carteret
 Grandmaster Dong's Martial Arts – Morehead City
 Chick-fil-A – Morehead City



FEATURED ADOPTABLES

STAPLES

Staples has quite the story, and he's ready to tell the world! This spunky boy arrived at our shelter on 9/20/2023 as an injured stray. He was hit by a car and needed emergency surgery, so we jumped into action. We were lucky enough to have support from our community to get him the immediate care he needed. He was cleaned up, wounds sterilized, and staples given; this is where his name originated! After months of healing, lots of love, and extra attention, Staples was finally ready for a place of his own. He is housebroken, full of energy, and full of love for his people. He is a professional hole digger, and needs someone who can handle his bursts of energy. We know this charming boy has a perfect person out there to match the lifestyle he needs. Could you be Staples' savior?

BELLE

Belle is a beautiful 3-year-7 month old cat who truly lives up to her name. Her friendly demeanor is infectious, and she has a knack for making anyone feel special. Belle is the epitome of independence, confidently navigating her surroundings with a mellow attitude. She's not one to demand constant attention, but she's always there when you need a comforting purr. Belle's unique combination of sweetness, friendliness, independence, mellowness, and loyalty makes her the perfect addition to any family. Adopt Belle and let her fill your home with love and joy.

OLIVIA

Olivia is a happy, goofy girl with a mix of all the best traits: playful, sweet, smart, and gentle. Olivia is a good listener and an even better snuggler. She's a 2-year-4-month old pup who is spayed, fully vaccinated, and house-trained. After arriving in our shelter on February 26, 2025, she has grown to be a loving, gentle giant who is extremely treat motivated. Just say the command, toss a treat, and you'll be her new best friend! She may be a little timid at first, but give her time to warm up, and you'll see her fun loving personality flourish. Stop by for a visit with our Livi girl and adopt her into your heart and home!

WHOPPERS

Whoppers is a gentle 1-year-3-month old feline with a tender heart and a cautious spirit. Shy and nervous at first, he's slowly beginning to show signs of trust as he learns that people can be kind and safe. Whoppers will thrive in a calm, patient home where he can open up at his own pace without pressure. With time, love, and understanding, this sweet boy has the potential to become a loyal and affectionate companion. If you're looking to make a difference in a cat's life and enjoy the quiet joy of watching trust grow, Whoppers is waiting for someone just like you.

Mike



Trix



Olivia



Whoppers



Belle



Staples



TRIX

Trix is an adorable 6-month old kitten bursting with potential and love to give! Residing in a foster home, Trix is learning the ins and outs of a fun, comfy, and loving home life. He does well with cats, dogs, and kids and would thrive in all home styles! This active boy is ready for a forever family where he can sleep away his days and pounce into your heart!

MIKE

Mike is a happy-go-lucky, 2-year-10-month old sweetheart that is sure to win you over! He's affectionate, playful, and a charmer who loves attention. After another shelter fell short with space, we offered to take Mike and 3 other sheltermates back in October 2024. Mike is looking for a stable home where he is the only 4 legged friend. He would do best in an active household where he can get the exercise, attention, and structure he needs. If you're looking for a loving pup to add to your family, come meet Mike today!

Fundraising

Taking care of the homeless and unwanted animals of Carteret County requires money. Carteret County Humane Society hosts many fundraisers throughout the year.

Adopt-A-Kennel Update

Thank you for your support! All the dog kennels were adopted in 2025 and are now up for renewal. If you adopted a kennel last year, you will receive a letter from the shelter asking you to renew your dog kennel. If dog kennels are not renewed, then additional kennels will be available for adoption. In addition to dog kennels, you can now adopt a cat condo! Kennels/condos are \$525 for new adopters or \$500 for renewals. The form can be found on the website [Donate - CC Humane Society](#) under "Sponsor a Kennel or Condo." Money collected is used to help with food costs and care for the shelter animals.

Interested in Hosting a Fundraiser or an Event to Benefit the Carteret County Humane Society?

If you are interested in hosting a fundraiser and using our name, Carteret County Humane Society, or logo in any of your advertising, please know that you need to complete a "Third Party Fundraising Agreement." The purpose of the document is to assure donors that the event is sanctioned by the Carteret County Humane Society and the money and goods collected will be distributed accordingly. The application can be found at: www.cchsshelter.com.

Donate

CCHS accepts all types of donations on-site, including but not limited to: money, dog and cat toys, dog and cat food/treats, bedding (not pillows), and cleaning supplies. For a complete list of needs, please visit: www.cchsshelter.com.

Online donations can be made via: [Zeffy](#)



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Pet Hub Tags

Pet Hub Tags offer an innovative tag to ensure that your furry friend can be easily identified and returned to you if they get lost. The tag has a QR code that can be easily scanned or a call can be placed to the 24/7 hotline to reconnect you to your pet. Pet Hub Tags are included with every adoption or can be purchased for \$10 at the shelter. You can visit www.pethub.com for more information.

Volunteer

Are you interested in getting more involved with your Animal Shelter? If so, visit www.cchsshelter.com. Under the *Get Active* tab, you will find opportunities which include: adopt-athons, cleaning, bottle feed/fostering kittens, cat socialization, clerical help, dog walking, fundraising, transport, and run sitting. Explanations on each activity are available on VicNet, the Carteret County Humane Society volunteer app.