Friends of the Shelter, Inc. SPCA KY

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BOONE COUNTY ANIMAL SHELTER

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The new Ron and Sherrie Lou Noel Boone County Animal Shelter means more space for community and animal services.

A training and behavior program for dogs in shelters featuring playgroups - "Playing for Life!" - gets high praise for its effectiveness. Our Boone Co shelter has implemented the program in its spacious new facility with staff trained in the process.. It helps shelter dogs



and the staff who works with them by providing socialization while they release their pent-up energy. It allows the staff to learn useful information about their charges, which can only be helpful toward the end goal, getting dogs placed into their forever homes.

They are also starting a Pet Food Pantry for people in need. *See page 3.*



Their new facility has a

large education/training room that FOTS now uses for our monthly meetings.



Stop by and see this beautiful new facility and the Catio in the cat room dedicated to FOTS.

Friends of the Shelter, Inc. (FOTS) is an all-volunteer 501(c)(3) organization, www.friendsoftheshelterky.org

PETFEST – A NEW TRADITION



PetFest started 22 years ago and was always in June. Due to the hot summers over the last few years, we've moved it to September. We hope

this will mean a cooler experience for the animals and humans that attend.

PetFest will still take place at Boone Woods Park in Burlington, KY on Sunday. But now it's September 15th from 11:00 to 3:00. This is our biggest fundraiser for the year and usually generates half our income.

We already held our Silent Auction in April and raised a good portion of that amount. It was very a successful start to PetFest fundraising. Our Sponsors – gold and silver have applied and the annual T-shirts have been printed. If you can't visit PetFest and would like a T-shirt, go to our website.

We believe PetFest is a great opportunity to showcase adoptable animals, merchandise and humane education information. We invite and encourage local rescues and shelters to participate. And of course we love our Vendors with all their merchandise and services.

If you've never attended one of our festivals, visit <u>https://www.friendsoftheshelterky.org/</u> <u>VisitPetFest</u> to take a walk through the park or <u>https://www.friendsoftheshelterky.org/</u> PetFest2023 to view pictures from last year.

HOW YOU CAN HELP

& Rent a Booth Space

Are you a business that would like to showcase your product or service? Are you a crafter and have a product to sell? We invite you to rent a booth space for \$60 (10x10

space) or \$80 if you want a vehicle in your booth space.



If you are a 501(c)(3) non-

profit organization, your booth space is now \$25. Our 7 northern Kentucky Shelters may have a booth space at no charge but you need to apply to reserve your space. Cutoff date is August 15th for applications.

& Advertise in our PetFest Program

The program will contain a list of events plus all sponsors, donors and booths. Don't miss this opportunity to advertise

your business or organization and to reach out to friends and neighbors. Cutoff date is August 25th.



Become a Volunteer

We need lots of volunteers



Contribute to our Food Court

Every year members donate the items in the food court so we can sell them at

reasonable prices and earn some money. We'll post a list of specific items needed on Facebook closer to the event. These are things like: chips, drinks, hot dogs, buns, paper towels, ice, coolers, baked goods (individually wrapped), etc. We also understand it if you don't want to shop and would rather contribute money to the expense.



Mark your calendars!

Watch Facebook and our website for more details. We hope to see a great turnout this year. Online and downloadable forms are available on our website https://

www.friendsoftheshelterky.org/Events

Boone County Animal Shelter Pet Food Pantry

Free pet food (while supplies last) on the last Friday of the month from 3-5 PM.

To take advantage of this service, please come to the shelter between 3-5 PM on the date of the event and follow directional signs for pickup.

Please note that food will be given out only until supplies are depleted, so an early arrival may be best depending on community need.

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Pendleton County 1314 Bryan Griffin Rd Butler KY 41026 (859) 472-5400

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Name:

Address:

City/State/Zip: _____

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(Your email address is required. Your personal information is <u>never</u> shared with anyone outside our organization)

How do you want to receive Newsletter: Mail: ____ Email: ____

Membership: \$15.00 per household. (Renews in December)

Additional Donation: \$_____

Donations & dues are fully tax deductible as allowed by law. We are a 501(c)(3) organization. Mail with your check to: Friends of the Shelter, Inc., P.O. Box 93, Union KY 41091 or **complete this form online and pay with a credit card:** <u>https://</u> www.friendsoftheshelterky.org/Membership