



## **MCHA Volunteer Opportunities**

We have several on-going volunteer needs, but have specific opportunities throughout the year. Fill-out an application and we will put you on the e-mail list to receive notification of volunteer opportunities as they arise.

Want to work with the animals directly? Please contact the City of Bloomington Animal Shelter at 349.3492.

### **1. VIPaws (Very Important Paws), an affiliate of Delta Society®**

Do you have a pet that loves people? Would you like to share that love with those in need? Then consider joining VIPaws! Work with your friendly, well-behaved, animal companion to become a registered Delta Society® Pet Partners® team and visit local facilities such as nursing homes, Meadows Hospital, and the Monroe County Public Library. This position requires potential volunteers to complete a training course and evaluation. Animal companions must love people, have good basic obedience training, and pass health, skills, and aptitude screening. For more information on the process and costs involved in becoming a Pet Partner team, please visit the [Delta Society](#) website.

### **2. Delta Society® Pet Partners® Evaluation Assistants**

Assist with the evaluation and screening of Pet Partners teams by role-playing various scenarios, checking in people being tested, and petting prospective therapy animals. Evaluations take place every other month on evenings and weekends.

### **3. Special Events and Tabling**

Help promote the work of the MCHA by working at special events and booths throughout the community. Staff MCHA booths at events such as the Farmers Market, Monroe County Fair, Simply Living Fair, Garden and Landscaping Show, and offsite adoption events. Regular Saturday morning shifts are always available when Farmer's Market is in session.

### **6. Donation Can Volunteer**

Help us raise funds and increase awareness of animal welfare throughout Monroe County. Volunteers will be assigned to an area of town and will be responsible for checking a specific route of donation cans and delivering donations to the MCHA on a weekly basis.