

*Did you know the Humane Society provides free educational tours at the shelter?
Well-behaved classrooms are able to watch spay/neuter surgery.
Call (954) 266-6848 to book your tour. We book 3-4 weeks ahead of time.*

Kindness Counts



A lesson in "kindness" for Character Education
Humane Society of Broward County
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Dear Teacher:

With the holidays coming up what a perfect opportunity for your students to do something kind for the community in which they live. The Humane Society of Broward County is a non-profit organization. We rely 100% on the community to help us care for over 400 homeless animals a week.

Our mission at the Humane Society of Broward County is to provide shelter, aid and responsible adoptions to animals entrusted to our care, and to educate the community about respect and kindness to all animals. We hope you will help us...

Here are just a few ways the kids **can let their kindness shine** by helping a less fortunate group- the homeless dogs and cats of Broward County.



1. **HOLD A TOY DRIVE:**

The dogs and cats at the Humane Society spend the majority of their time inside their cage during their stay with us. To make their stay a little less stressful we would love it if every dog or cat had at least one toy. These are the types of toys we're looking for:

Dogs: Rubber kongs, nylabones, large rubber toys, soft stuffed toys. We cannot use small toys as they fall down our drains.

Cats: Ping pong balls, plastic balls and play mice. We need toys that we can wash and use over and over.



2. **HOLD A TOWEL/ SHOEBOX DRIVE:**

Our shelter uses a lot of towels and blankets to wrap the animals in that have been operated on, belong in foster care or are living at the shelter in the kennels. We prefer large white towels and gently used blankets. Our cats love to cuddle up in a cozy shoebox. We get all sizes of cats so we can use all shoebox sizes too! Our goal is to make sure every homeless animal has a soft comfortable bed to sleep in.

3. **MAKE OUR WISHES COME TRUE!**

Call the Humane Society to get a complete wish list of items that we need at the shelter. The Humane Society goes through loads of laundry detergent, paper towels, newspapers and hundreds of other things. Call Mara at (954) 266-6848 to get your wish list.

4. **MAKE GOODIE GO-HOME BAGS:**

We would love to send the dogs and cats home with a starter kit. Have your students fill up a shoe box or a decorator bag with items a new pet would need to start out his or her new life. Suggestions are: toys, treats, bones, pooper scooper, blanket, collar, leash, catnip. *Please do not include food as we have a partnership with Purina and already send home food.*

Have students write a letter to the new owner encouraging proper pet care and advice on starting their new life together. Have them attach to the bag or shoebox they have decorated.

