# The MCFA News

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to begin construction of the new shelter!

### New Shelter News







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Animal Care & Control Appreciation Week APRIL 9-15



Monroe County Friends of Animals Thrift Store is a major source of revenue supporting our mission

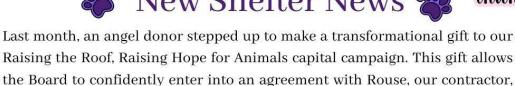
Thrift Store Specials 4/5-8

All luggage, backpacks, totes, & ladies' handbags 1/2 Off



423-420-3423 3949 Highway 411, Madisonville, TN

<sup>r</sup>o learn more about sales & volunteering at the Thrif Store, visit the <u>Our Program</u>s page of our website.



Our donor prefers to remain anonymous for now. At the groundbreaking ceremony, in the second quarter of this year, the donor's name will grace the new Animal Center in appreciation and recognition of this monumental donation. At that time our community will be able to express its gratitude to the donor and to all who have contributed to the campaign.



A huge thank you to Rarity Bay Country Club for donating the proceeds from this event to MCFAL We are humbled and gratified by this friend's remarkable gift, which allows MCFA to move ahead with this significant project. Thanks to you and many others we are forging ahead to build the facility we have dreamed of for years!

# BREAKING NEWS!

We have begun! The first step on our road to building the new shelter, site prep, started this week.



### **Board News**



Meet your new MCFA Board Members. We welcome new member Sabrina Huffstetler and congratulate Glenn and Tom on being re-elected. We are very grateful to Bob Korts for the years of support and leadership he provided MCFA. Bob will continue in an advisory role on the New Shelter Committee. We are excited to lead MCFA during this time of change and growth!

President, Cheryl Ulmer Vice President, Marni Sorrick Secretary, Sabrina Huffstetler Treasurer, Glenn Edwards Deborah Smith Jim Barrett

Tom Smith

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## Spay/Neuter ' Vouchers

Saturday, April 15, 10:00am-12:00pm

Free spay/neuter vouchers for dogs & cats \*\*\*Low-Income Monroe County Residents Only\*\*\*

#### HOW DOES IT WORK?

Call one of these numbers on the date and times listed ONLY. 423-836-2041 / 423-595-4007 / 865-268-9730

If the lines are busy, keep trying. DO NOT leave a message. Messages will NOT be returned.

To learn more or to donate to this program, visit our website: <u>monroecountyfriendsofanimals.org/our-programs/spay-neuter/</u>

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### Adopt-a-thon



Saturday, April 15, 10am-5pm 1135 Parkside Dr., Knoxville

We are thrilled to be hosting these events again at PetSmart in Turkey Creek. Several cats and dogs found their furever homes at these events last month. Please stop by to give them some love or take one home!

#### ADVOCATE

#### Shelter for outdoor dogs SB 195/HB 472

The bill to define "adequate shelter" will be heard in both the House Criminal Justice Subcommittee and Senate Judiciary next week. This will be the last chance to reach out to your lawmakers if they sit on either of those committees before the votes. The bill is being carried by Sen. Jon Lundberg Rep. and John Crawford. Co-sponsor: Darren Jernigan.

#### **How You Can Help**

Connect with your legislators and ask them to cosponsor this bill. This will be an important show of support when the bill goes before committee.

(Find your lawmaker https://wapp.capitol.tn.gov/App s/fmlv3/districts.aspx)









### Shelter Needs

**Volunteers Needed Now** 

Grant Writers (call 423-520-6887)

For other volunteer options, please complete our online application or email: info@MonroeCountyFriendsofAnimals.org



#### Donations Needed Now

Laundry Soap, Bleach & Small Blankets

Ship direct to the shelter or drop off 🚜 Tue/Wed/Fri 11am-4:30pm or Sat 11am-2pm



National Heartworm



#### Quotes from the Executive Director

"If all the beasts were gone, men would die from a great loneliness of spirit, for whatever happens to the beasts also happens to the man. All things are connected." —Chief Seattle of the Suwamish Tribe

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