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**FRIENDS FOR ANIMALS OF METRO DETROIT IS OVER-CAPACITY
AND RUNNING “NO KENNELS, JUST COUCHES” WEEKEND ADOPTION SPECIAL**

DEARBORN February 20, 2025 – Help Friends for Animals of Metro Detroit save more lives by taking advantage of waived adoption fees for all adult dogs over six months old and 20lbs or more, starting today through Sunday, February 23.

Currently, the organization has 53 adult dogs over 20 lbs available for adoption, and 10 of those have been in the shelter for at least two months. If people are unsure about adopting, Friends for Animals offers fostering or the option to host a slumber party for a night with a dog. To learn more about fostering an animal, visit <https://www.metrodetroitanimals.org/get-involved/foster/>

Now is the time to adopt, as Friends for Animals currently has 164 animals in their care, with 29 additional animals in either foster homes or at satellite partner pet stores. Adopting an animal and freeing up a large dog kennel, offers one animal the opportunity for a second chance in a new home and another animal the chance to find one!

Come visit Friends for Animals this week at their MaryAnn Wright Animal Adoption and Education Center, located at 16121 Reckinger Road in Dearborn. The center is open Wednesday – Sunday, Noon – 4 p.m. Closed Monday and Tuesday. Walk-ins and same-day adoptions welcome; can also schedule a meet-and-greet or apply for an animal online. All interested adopters can find more details online at metrodetroitanimals.org.

Adoption fees include microchip, age-appropriate vaccines and spay/neuter. Head over to metrodetroitanimals.org/adopt-a-pet/ to learn more about adopting!

Last year, Friends for Animals reunited or found successful forever homes for just under 2,500 animals; and through foster families, were able to give extra love and care to 666 dogs and cats.

With the average cost of \$1,000 per animal, the organization needs financial support more than ever before to be able to provide the necessary care and treatments for all these homeless animals. If you'd

like to sponsor any of the 2,500 animals that are cared for each year, please consider sponsoring an animal, looking for a home, at <https://www.metrodetroitanimals.org/adoption-sponsorship/>.

Friends for Animals is a 501c3 organization and is located at 16121 Reckinger in Dearborn. Friends for Animals of Metro Detroit is dedicated to the rescue, protection, and adoption of companion animals in need, while inspiring the human-animal bond. Friends for Animals of Metro Detroit was founded in 1993 by inspired volunteers who believed that homeless animals in our region deserve a second chance at life. Building on our strong sense of animal welfare, Friends for Animals has grown in the past 30 years to an organization of great impact in the companion animal welfare community.

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