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### **Georgetown Animal Shelter organizes donation drive for GivingTuesday**

The Georgetown Animal Shelter and the Friends of the Georgetown Animal Shelter will kick off the generosity season by hosting a drive-through donation event for homeless dogs and cats for GivingTuesday.

GivingTuesday, which falls on Dec. 1 this year, is a global generosity movement, unleashing the power of people and organizations to transform their communities and their world. The shelter and its nonprofit partner, Friends of the Georgetown Animal Shelter, will inspire generosity by organizing a donation drive for shelter pets Dec. 1-5, 2020.

"We are thrilled to join GivingTuesday this year," FOGAS president Sharon Buford said. "Our usual fundraising and other events were canceled because of the pandemic. GivingTuesday allows us the opportunity to work with the community for the first time in months."

Volunteers and shelter staff will be accepting donations next to the Georgetown Public Library, in the parking lot at West Eighth Street and Martin Luther King Jr. Street. Donors can look for the colorful adoption trailer to locate volunteers. Employees and volunteers will be stationed at the trailer from noon to 4 p.m. Tuesday through Friday, Dec. 1-4, and 9 a.m. to 3 p.m. Saturday, Dec. 5.

"We're hoping to fill the trailer with pet supplies to last us through the holiday season," Animal Services Manager April Haughey said. "The Georgetown community always floods us with donations this time of year, and we wanted to make it as easy as possible for them!"

Haughey said the organizations are hoping to collect dry pet food, new toys for dogs and cats, small blankets, leashes, and other items.

Those who are interested in donating to the animal shelter's GivingTuesday initiative can visit **[pets.georgetown.org](https://pets.georgetown.org)** for a wish list of specific items and the donation drive schedule.

The shelter also has an Amazon Wish List with needed items, such as food, specialized toys, and cleaning items at **[tinyurl.com/WoofPurr](https://tinyurl.com/WoofPurr)**. A portion of the money you spend on Amazon can also be donated to the shelter by selecting the animal shelter as your designated nonprofit on Amazon Smile.

Georgetown Animal Services is located near San Gabriel Park and is currently operating by appointment only. It has been serving Georgetown for decades as the open-intake municipal shelter for the City. Friends of the Georgetown Animal Shelter formed in 2010 to support the shelter's mission. Learn more at [friendsofgeorgetownshelter.org](http://friendsofgeorgetownshelter.org).

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