

WESTERN FREMONT COUNTY HUMANE SOCIETY

Our Mission in Action

For over 30 years, the Western Fremont County Humane Society has been committed to the health and welfare of all animals. We seek to inform, inspire, and assist people to responsibly care for their pets and treat them with kindness.

Our Facility

WFCHS owns and manages Gizmo's Park at 26 Gilliland Ave, behind East Fork Vet off of East Ramshorn Drive. Gizmo's includes an enclosed play area for dogs, a picnic shelter, and walking trails. The walking trails are restricted to pedestrian and equestrian traffic. At the east end of the facility are corrals and a shelter for emergency use by locals and visitors. Please observe posted signs and remember to pick up after your pet.

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Summer Dog Washes

WFCHS held two of its popular Dog Washes this summer on the lawn of St. Thomas' Episcopal Church, an annual tradition enjoyed by all. Many dogs were carefully washed by our young volunteers.



Our annual summer dog washes are always popular

2024 Statistics

WFCHS provides support for spay/neuter, adoptions, and the "Trap/Neuter/Release" (TNR) program for feral cats. So far this year we funded:

- ✓ 14 TNR's
- ✓ 25 spay/neuters
- ✓ 18 dog/cat adoptions

2024 Events

- June 15 – Dog Wash
- July 13 – Strutt Your Mutt Fun
Dog Match
- August 10 - Vax Clinic
- August 17 –Dog Wash



Kay Wells and Elsie Thompson and their pets at the vaccination clinic



Michele Burdick and her dog at the annual Strutt Your Mutt Fun Dog Match in the dancing competition

Safety tips — protect your pets!

1. Foxtail grass

Foxtail grass is harmful to pets because its barbed seed heads can become lodged in fur, paws, ears, nose, eyes, or mouth. These sharp, spiky seeds are designed to penetrate the skin and migrate deep into the body. Foxtail seeds can cause infections, abscesses, and tissue damage. They can even travel to vital organs, causing serious complications. Symptoms of foxtail exposure include licking, swelling, and discharge from affected areas. Immediate veterinary attention is often required to remove the seeds and treat infections.

2. Cyanobacteria

Cyanobacteria, or blue-green algae, is highly toxic to dogs. These bacteria thrive in warm, stagnant bodies of water, often forming dense blooms on the surface. When dogs swim in or ingest water contaminated with cyanobacteria, they can be exposed to harmful toxins. Dog owners should prevent their pets from swimming in or drinking from bodies of water that show signs of algae blooms and seek immediate veterinary care if exposure is suspected.



The tale of three parvo puppies

Three abandoned puppies were found suffering from parvovirus, a contagious viral infection that mainly affects puppies. It attacks the GI system, causing vomiting, diarrhea, and dehydration and can be life-threatening. After treatment two of them, TimberJack (R) and Taffy (L), recovered and were listed on [PetFinder.com](https://www.petfinder.com).



Nine church kittens find forever homes

Bruce Blevins and Sandra Cooper kindly took in and cared for nine kittens that were born sometime in August underneath St. Thomas Episcopal Church. They were found to be healthy and after feeding, gentling, and socializing them to be comfortable around people and other animals, homes were found for all nine. Several went to local ranches, two went to a family in Montana, and two remained with their foster parents, Bruce and Sandra. Please visit our website for details on how to apply as a fosterer.



Ways You Can Help Our Animals

WFCHS is an all-volunteer organization, and as such depends on our wonderful local population to help us in our mission to care for animals in need. Please visit [wfchs.org](https://www.wfchs.org) for details and application forms.

1. **Fostering** - when we receive rescued animals, we need homes willing to foster them (especially cats) until they can be adopted, or in some cases while they recover from health issues prior to adoption.
2. **Adoption** - we are committed to ensuring that all animals go to good homes and we carefully screen all potential adopters. The ultimate gift to an animal is a forever home with a loving family.
3. **Volunteering** - we are always in need of reliable, responsible volunteers to walk dogs, feed and clean cages, and help at our annual summer dog washes and Strutt Your Mutt events..



Two rescued puppies at a WFCHS adoption event

Please Donate Generously to Help the Animals

WFCHS is an all-volunteer, independent, registered 501(C)3 charitable organization, and is not affiliated with nor does it receive funding from any other organization. We rely on your generous donations to continue offering our services. Donations to WFCHS are tax deductible. To donate, please send a check to **WFCHS, PO Box 1198, Dubois, WY 82513** or visit **wfchs.org/#donate**.



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