



## **Animal Shelter of Wood River Valley**

Not-for-Profit with 501© Status under IRS Code Section 170

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### **BRIEF OVERVIEW OF OUR ORGANIZATION AND ITS PRIMARY OBJECTIVES**

#### **The Mission of the Animal Shelter of Wood River Valley is:**

To protect animals from neglect, abuse, and exploitation

To adopt animals to qualified homes

Reduce over-population through education and an active spay/neuter program

To advocate awareness and compassion for all animal life

We are a private non-profit organization. Presently, more than 90% of our annual operating budget is generated from fund raising events, private donations, proceeds from our Barkin' Basement Thrift Store, and adoption fees. A modest portion of our income is secured from the sale of Blaine County dog licenses and boarding costs charged to the county and cities for impounded animals.

The Shelter operates with a modest core management staff and kennel assistants. The Board of Directors actively fundraise and support the shelter operations. We rely greatly on our volunteer support to help maintain a quality of life for the animals during their stay at the shelter. The original Animal Hospice concept was founded in 1972. The shelter doors opened in 1982. The 5 acres of land the facilities occupy was a gift. Many fundraising benefits, private donations, volunteer labor and initial funding given by the Blaine County Government in exchange for our services collecting fines and license fee for five years, contributed to the construction of the original facility.

#### **A few of our current programs are as follows:**

Adoption Program/ Foster Program/ Off-site Adoptathon Programs/ Hikin' Buddies/ Mutt Struts/ Semi-Annual Spay/ Neuter Program/ SNIP Program (Spay/ Neuter Incentive Program offering discounted coupons year-round)/ Lost and Found Service/ Breed Rescue/ Pet Wanted Network/ Barkin' Basement Thrift Store

In May 1999, The Board of Directors adopted a Resolution to operate as a No-Kill Shelter. Our goal is to safely house any cat or dog who we believe adoptable until the time we find a good home for the animal. Animals are euthanized only if we find they are very sick or aggressive in behavior.

The Shelter services all of Blaine County, Idaho. The Animal Shelter of Wood River Valley helps over one thousand animals annually either find a new home or safely return to their homes. We have contracts with Blaine County and the City of Hailey by which we operate as the County impound facility in addition to controlling the sale and record keeping for all dog licenses.

Thank you for your support!