



MEDIA ADVISORY

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“Open the Shelter” Event at the Lancaster Animal Shelter

Lancaster, TX – The City of Lancaster is committed to increasing the adoption rate for as many homeless pets as possible and encouraging responsible pet ownership within the community. With this commitment in mind, the City of Lancaster invites you to join staff and shelter volunteers for the first ever, “Open the Shelter” event! The Open the Shelter event will be held on Saturday, June 27, 2015 from 10:00 a.m. to 2:00 p.m. at the Lancaster Animal Shelter, located at 690 E. Main Street in Lancaster.

Did you know that all dogs and cats older than four months are required by City code and state law to be vaccinated against rabies on an annual basis? This event also serves as a wonderful opportunity to ensure your pets are properly vaccinated. A veterinarian will be on site to provide low-cost vaccinations to dogs and cats. Also during the Open the Shelter event, pet owners can have their dogs and cats microchipped at a reduced rate of \$25 per pet. If a pet is found and brought to the shelter, a scanner is used to detect the presence of a microchip. Each chip has a unique number that corresponds with a database, which then contacts the owners. A microchip is the only permanent form of identification that cannot be altered or removed.

The Open the Shelter event will showcase tail wags, wet dog kisses, puppy breath, and purring kittens. Dogs and cats of all shapes, sizes and ages will be available for adoption at a discounted rate. For more information, please call the Lancaster Animal Shelter at (972) 218-1210 or visit www.lancaster-tx.com.

The City of Lancaster invites you to “like” the City on [Facebook](https://www.facebook.com/lancaster-tx), follow us on [Twitter](https://twitter.com/lancaster-tx) or register for weekly e-mail alerts regarding upcoming events on our website at www.lancaster-tx.com by clicking on “Notify Me”.

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