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ANIMAL CARE & CONTROL OF NYC CELEBRATES ADOPT-A-DOG MONTH

Adopt a Dog from AC&C and Experience the Joy of Finding Your New Best Friend

Mobile Adoption Event to be held on Oct. 15th; Three Adoption Centers Open Daily
Noon to 7 p.m.

(New York) - Animal Care & Control of NYC (AC&C) celebrates October as Adopt-a-Dog month to educate the public about the many ways dogs bring joy to New York families and to encourage adopting an animal from one of the AC&C's Care Centers.

"We have so many terrific dogs up for adoption just waiting for someone to open up their heart and home," said Julie Bank, executive director of AC&C. "Our goal is to find homes for all the animals in our shelters during the month."

In celebration of Adopt-a-Dog month, anyone who adopts a dog from AC&C will receive an adoption gift bag filled with goodies for their new pet.

Here are some great reasons to adopt a dog from AC&C:

1. You will receive unconditional love. Rescued dogs seem to know you saved them and they repay you in a big way.
2. You will find a perfect match. AC&C has thousands of dogs available for adoption each year; 25% of them are pure breeds.
3. A dog makes a great buddy. If you are looking for an exercise partner to stay in shape, you will undoubtedly find an active, energetic dog to run or take for long walks with you. On the other hand, AC&C also has older dogs with less energy that would be very content as "couch potato companions or as company for aging, less active adults.
4. Owning a dog can help reduce stress and blood pressure. Studies have also shown that owning a pet makes us happier, more successful adults.
5. Having a dog teaches children responsibility, helps them develop better relationship skills and teaches them about caring and empathy.

6. All adoptions include vaccinations, a microchip; spay/neuter, one month of free pet health insurance, a free office visit at a participating veterinarian, and an easy way to apply for a dog license.

You can adopt from one of AC&C's three Adoption Care Centers. The following three Adoption Care Centers are open from 12 p.m. – 7 p.m. daily.

Manhattan

326 East 110th Street

Brooklyn

2336 Linden Boulevard

Staten Island

3139 Veteran's Road West

You can also visit our website at www.nycacc.org to view other animals available for adoption.

Individuals or families interested in adopting a pet can also attend our mobile adoption event:

October 15 – 1 p.m. to 5 p.m.

Pet Adoption Event with Armani Exchange

Jackson Square Park in Manhattan: 8 Ave. between Greenwich Ave., Horatio St.

About Animal Care & Control

Animal Care & Control of New York City (AC&C) is the largest pet organization in the Northeast, with nearly 40,000 animals rescued each year. As a non-profit organization since 1995, AC&C has been responsible for New York City's municipal shelter system; rescuing, caring for and finding loving homes for homeless and abandoned animals in New York City. AC&C facilities operate in all five boroughs to service all NYC communities.

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