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Every Available Animal Placed In New Homes During the 6th Annual Adopt-A-Thon

The 6th Annual Summit County Adopt-A-Thon was held on Saturday, November 7, 2015 at the Division of Animal Control, located at 250 Opportunity Parkway in downtown Akron. The five-hour event was sponsored by County of Summit Executive Russ Pry, Fiscal Officer Kristen M. Scalise and the Summit County Animal Coalition.

Dogs and cats were made available for adoption at the discounted price of $10 per animal (regularly $94 per dog, $60 per cat). The animals were fully vetted (blood work, flea treatments, intestinal de-worming, spay/neuter and vaccinations) and ready to be taken home that day. All citizens who adopted a canine were required to purchase an $18 Summit County Dog License. Funds generated from the sale of dog licenses, which have to be purchased annually, are used to feed, house and vaccinate abandoned animals at the animal control facility.

By 10 a.m., well over 250 citizens had waited patiently in line for the doors to open and their chance to view and choose a dog and/or cat for adoption. Throughout the morning, a steady crowd of people, eager to open their homes to a new dog or cat made their way into the state of the art animal control facility.

The event was made possible with the assistance of 20 volunteers who helped get the dogs and cats ready for placement with their new owners. This year’s successful Adopt-A-Thon resulted in the placement of 93 animals (28 dogs and 65 cats) into new homes.

“We are excited to report that this was our first Adopt-A-Thon that every single available animal in the facility was adopted into a new home,” stated Executive Pry. “I would like to thank all of the volunteers, Animal Control staff and the citizens of this community for supporting this worthwhile annual event.”
Over the past six years, adopt-a-thons sponsored by the Summit County Division of Animal Control have resulted in 809 animals being placed in new homes.

“It was amazing to watch these animals be adopted into caring, new homes,” said Fiscal Officer Scalise. “I encourage people to continue to visit the Division of Animal Control throughout the year. They house many animals that need good homes and, even at the regular price rates, it is a great value for a family.”

For more information contact the Summit County Division of Animal Control at 330-643-2845. To view photos of adoptable animals visit http://co.summitoh.net/index.php/departments/administrative-services/animal-control, click on ADOPT-A-PET in left column.