

SINGLE DAY LEARNING OPPORTUNITIES:

FAST PACE, INTERACTIVE, AND KNOWLEDGE PACKED DAY!

Thoroughly Dogs!

A comprehensive workshop All you ever wanted to know about dogs from one day old to maturity including how to read body observational language, recognize and combat common behavioral challenges dogs exhibit in shelter care, common types of aggression, and basic training tips.

Thoroughly Cats!

Comprehensive day-long workshop about cats from one day old to maturity, including orphaned kitten care, how to communicate and understand cat body language, how to recognize and combat common behavioral challenges such as litter box blues, play and other common types of aggression,



Consultant & Instructor

Renee Harris

Has over 40 years of professional experience in the practice of animal welfare. Her experience expands all aspects of animal sheltering with an emphasis on animal behavior. She brings to her training style a deep understanding of the issues involved in the day to day operations, including the many sensitive topics such as euthanasia.

Renee has a great sense of balance, humor, and foresight. She has clients across the United States and around the world, sharing her knowledge, infectious can-do attitude, compassion, and kindness to every individual animal, and person she encounters in her work.

Top2Cats Consulting

"Inspiring & Facilitating Compassionate Change in Animal Sheltering"

Staff & Volunteer Training Opportunities



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SPECIALIZED TRAINING OPPORTUNITIES

Want to provide your staff and volunteers consistent and current training?

Struggling with finding the time and the right individual to manage this for you?

Well worry no more! Top2Cats Consulting provides all the shelter essentials in addition to expansive training about dogs and cats.

Workshops are available throughout the year open to the general public. Private in-house training may also be scheduled.

There are several service options available to individual organizations. These tailored programs will include maintenance of attendance records, examination process to assure your staff will walk away from the training with information they can immediately implement in their day to day responsibilities and assure that all staff and volunteers receive consistent and timely training throughout the year.


For those individuals attending open workshops will receive a certificate of attendance will be provided to all participants, and for those choosing to take the examination at the end of the two-days, providing they pass with 75% or higher score, will be provided a certificate of completion.

TWO-DAY ESSENTIAL SHELTER OPERATION TRAINING

This two-day workshop is perfect for anyone working in an animal shelter, especially those that may be new to the profession, staff and volunteers alike. Come prepared for a fast pace, interactive, and knowledge packed two days!

Topics included are:

- Animal Sheltering Operations
- Five Freedoms and Enrichment
- All about Dogs
- All about Cats
- Sanitation and Disease Control
- Vaccinations and Deworming
- Customer Service
- Communication Styles
- Compassion Stress & Resilience



"Renee Harris is a superstar in the field of Animal Sheltering. She is a leader in the development of policy, budget, sheltering, vet care, staffing and training with the up-start of the New Montgomery County Maryland Animal Services and Adoption Center. She continues to work with us on training and other areas of sheltering. She is an expert in the field and she won't let you down."

Betsy Davis, Assistant Chief at Montgomery County Police Department

EUTHANASIA BY INJECTION

No doubt about it - animal welfare has made great strides in saving all adoptable animals over the years. Without exception, everyone within the profession wishes to prevent the euthanasia of all healthy and treatable animals regardless of need. However, when euthanasia is necessary it is critical that it is performed by qualified and highly skilled staff with compassion and respect accorded to each individual animal no matter the circumstance.

Comprehensive two-day euthanasia by injection workshop utilizing the HSUS curriculum. Training integrates the use of anatomically correct manikins, assuring that all class participants will have the opportunity to perform intra-venous, intra-peritoneal, and intra-cardiac injections without harming any animals.

Students receive information on the most current industry standards in techniques, types of drugs used and their effect on the animal, and a thorough review of dog and cat anatomy. Low stress, gentle handling and restraint techniques are emphasized with a comprehensive review of equipment necessary to perform euthanasia.



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