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### **FOR IMMEDIATE RELEASE**

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## **Shelter Pets Seek Loving Homes This Season**

*Pet Adoption Center Hosts Annual Holiday Event Dec. 18*

***St. Charles County, Missouri*** – If you're thinking of adding another member to your household this holiday season, look no further than the St. Charles County Pet Adoption Center to find a furry friend. Located at 4850 Mid Rivers Mall Dr., in St. Peters, the center will host its annual Holiday Pet Adoption Event on Saturday, Dec. 18 (10 a.m. to 5 p.m.), where you can interact with dogs or cats to find the “purr-fect” present for your family.

In addition to consultations and on-site adoptions, the day's activities will provide counseling to prepare you and your family for your new pet. An experienced animal trainer will offer tips to make the transition process less stressful and will provide information to make you a better care-giver. Those who adopt a pet during the Holiday Event will receive a free gift from the Pet Adoption Center, and Santa Claus will be available for photos.

The Pet Adoption Center has served the residents and animal population of this County for more than a decade, successfully placing more than 25,000 pets into loving homes. All pets placed by the Pet Adoption Center undergo a thorough health exam and receive their initial vaccinations. They are also micro-chipped for identification and are spayed or neutered.

Compared to fees charged by other centers, the St. Charles County Pet Adoption Center offers its services at an outstanding value. Adoption costs through the Pet Adoption Center are:

- Puppies: \$60
- Adult dogs: \$50
- Kittens: \$40
- Adult cats: \$30

The Division of Humane Services protects and enhances the quality of life for people and animals in St. Charles County by sheltering and adopting animals, educating pet owners, providing animal control services, and investigating incidents involving animal cruelty and neglect. For more information about the St. Charles County Division of Humane Services, please call (636) 949-PETS (7387) or visit [www.scchealth.org](http://www.scchealth.org).

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