

Need to Rehome Your Pet? We're Here to Help.

Life happens. Financial hardship, housing changes, health concerns, or unexpected circumstances can make it impossible to keep a beloved pet. If you're facing that difficult decision, there is absolutely no shame in surrendering your pet to HSSC.

As Sheboygan County's only open-admissions animal shelter, we're here to help.

Please Make a Surrender Appointment

If your pet is yours, please don't bring them in as a stray, abandon them, or leave them outside the shelter.

Scheduling a surrender appointment helps us:

- Prepare a safe, comfortable space before your pet arrives.
- Ensure our Admissions and Animal Care teams are ready to provide the best possible care.
- Reduce stress on both your pet and our staff.
- Begin gathering the information we need to help your pet succeed.

Why It Matters

When an owned pet is brought in as a stray, Wisconsin law requires us to hold them for five days before they can become available for adoption.

During that required hold:

- Dogs are unable to go on volunteer walks.
- Cats receive limited handling and socialization.
- We don't know their medical history, behavior, or preferences.
- They must wait longer before we can begin finding them a new home.

When you schedule a surrender appointment:

- ✓ Your pet can begin the adoption process much sooner.
- ✓ You can provide medical records and vaccination history.
- ✓ You can tell us about their personality, routines, likes, dislikes, and any special needs.
- ✓ We can help your pet adjust to shelter life and make better adoption matches.

We're Here to Support You

Choosing to surrender a pet is never easy, but being honest about your situation gives your pet the best chance at finding a new loving home. A voluntary surrender donation is appreciated when families are able to give, but it is never required in order to surrender a pet.

To schedule a surrender appointment, please contact our Admissions Team:

☎ 920-458-2012 ext 104

✉ Admissions@SCAdopt.org



No judgment.

Just compassionate care for pets and the people who love them.