

VOLUNTEER AGREEMENT AND GENERAL RELEASE

Thank you for offering your time to volunteer with A Paw and a Prayer Dog Rescue. The work we do for the dogs would not be possible without the help of our volunteers. Please read through the agreement below, complete the form at the bottom and return it to Judy Butterfield, Director.

1. Volunteer Acknowledgement and Participation.

I acknowledge that I have voluntarily agreed to serve as a volunteer for **A Paw and a Prayer Dog Rescue (APAAP)** a nonprofit corporation organized under the laws of the State of Tennessee, whose mission is:

“We rescue dogs from kill shelters and make them publically known/available for adoption to good homes and families.”

2. Nature and Scope of Services

As a Volunteer I will be contributing my time and effort to various services for APAAP. The services will be performed by me as assigned by a director, or another volunteer of **APAAP**. In the course of performing the services, **I agree:**

- To disclose any physical or psychological limitations to appropriate directors or officers before participating in any activity. Since I may be interacting with dogs and may be lifting, carrying, moving or otherwise engaging in physical labor, I will be respectful of my own limitations and will inform APAAP immediately of such limitations.
- To treat all directors, volunteers, dogs and members of the public with whom I interact with kindness and respect. I acknowledge that I am volunteering for the best interest of the dogs and not for any personal gain or to further any personal agenda.
- To provide my services without compensation. I agree that I am not and will not become an employee, agent, contractor or principal of APAAP upon execution of this agreement.
- To be legally and financially responsible and will indemnify and hold APAAP harmless for my own acts and omissions relating to the service I am voluntarily providing to APAAP. I acknowledge that I am responsible for providing my own medical, liability, and auto insurance during my volunteer service. I understand that I am not covered by workers' compensation nor insured by APAAP during the performance of my volunteer duties and tasks.
- To voluntarily participating in the activities of APAAP with full knowledge of the risks and dangers involved and hereby agree to accept all risks of injury, death or damage to myself and/or my personal property. As a Volunteer, I may come into contact with and interact with dogs, and such work entails risk of personal injury due. These risks include, but are not limited to, being bitten, tripped and possibly exposed to certain diseases.

3. Release

- As consideration for being permitted by APAAP to participate in activities and provide services, I hereby agree that I, my assignees, heirs, guardians, and legal representatives will not make a claim against or sue APAAP for injury or damage resulting from my participation in activities and performance of services.
- I understand that as a Volunteer of APAAP, I may be recorded on film, video or other electronic recording media. I hereby consent to such recording and the use by APAAP of any recorded images or other media recordings of my name and likeness (“A-V Recordings”) for any purpose related to furtherance of the objectives of APAAP. In particular, I grant APAAP permission to copyright and use, reuse, publish and republish A-V Recordings, for art, advertising, or other purpose.
- I have read this Release and fully understand that I will relinquish all claims and actions know now or in the future against APAAP. I am of legal age and competent to sign this agreement. I am signing this agreement of my own free will without the influence of anyone at APAAP.

Signature of Volunteer
Print Name

Date Signed

-----Volunteers under 18 years old -----

I, _____, being the parent or legal guardian of _____ (the “Minor”) hereby consent to and authorize the Minor to act as a volunteer for APAAP. I acknowledge and agree that activities performed by the Minor as a volunteer will be performed strictly on a voluntary basis, without any pay, compensation, or benefits. I agree and understand that the Minor must comply with the rules and regulations established from time to time by APAAP and that failure to do so may result in the Minor’s immediate removal as a volunteer.

On behalf of myself, the Minor, and our respective heirs and personal representatives, I agree not to hold or attempt to hold APAAP, their population served, volunteers, or staff responsible for any injury or damage sustained or incurred by the Minor, arising out of or in any way connected with the Minor’s activities as a volunteer for APAAP. I hereby release and discharge APAAP, their employees, and their volunteers from any and all claims, demands, causes of action of any nature or cause, for any such injury or damage incurred or suffered by the Minor.

Signature of Parent/Legal Guardian
Print Name Parent
Date



Phone Number for Emergency