

# AniMeals

1700 Rankin Street  
Missoula, MT 59808  
406-721-4710

The mission of AniMeals is to save the hungry, the helpless, the lost, and the little ones just struggling to survive; to house and feed as many animals as possible; to ease the suffering of the weak and unloved; to build a no-kill sanctuary, a no-kill community, and realize the achievement of a no-kill nation.

## AniMeals Programs & Services

### Adoption Center

“To House and Feed as Many Animals as Possible”

#### About the Center:

- AniMeals’ adoption center takes in cats who have lost their homes, or never really had one, and works to find them the forever homes with loving families that they deserve.
- We house over 100 cats of all ages, sizes, breeds, and backgrounds.
- To adopt one of these wonderful animals, there is a one-time adoption fee of **\$55.00** which includes:
  - Spay/Neuter
  - De-worming
  - Micro-chip
  - Up-to-date Vaccinations
- When you adopt an animal, you will also be provided with information on how to care for him/her and how to integrate them into your home.

#### Requirements to Adopt an Animal:

- If you lease/rent, your lease/rent must allow pets. (AniMeals will verify with your landlord before allowing adoption)
- Must be at least 21 years old to adopt.

#### How Do I Adopt an Animal?

- 1) Speak with an AniMeals Representative to learn about the animal’s medical history and to answer any questions you may have.
- 2) Complete the Microchip Paperwork after you are approved for adoption
- 3) Fill out an Adoption Application and Micro-chipping Form
- 4) Pay the \$55.00 adoption fee
- 5) Take your new family member to their forever home!

## Food Bank

“Helping to Feed the Hungry Animals of Montana”

### About the Food Bank:

AniMeals’ is the nation’s largest animal food bank. We provide cat food and dog food to the following areas throughout approximately 143,000 square miles in Northern, Southern, and Western Montana:

- Shelters
- Rescues
- Homebound Disabled
- The majority of the food that we provide to others has been donated from the individuals within the community and the rest is then purchased through donations we have received.

### What Food Items Does AniMeals Need?

We distribute more than 8900 pounds of pet food per month so are always in need of more. We accept all brands of dog and cat foods both wet and dry to take care of our resident kitties. Any amount that you are able to give, no matter how small, is always greatly appreciated.

### Our Wish List:

- Oats/Grain/Hay Cubes
- Kitten and Puppy Chow
- Dry Cat and Dog Food
- Wet Cat and Dog Food
- Kitten Replacement Milk
- Senior Cat Food (Wet & Dry)
- Metal Dog/Cat Dishes
- Litter Boxes and Scoopers
- Kitty Litter
- Scratching Posts
- Kitty Toys
- Bleach/Paper Towels
- Rubber Gloves
- Laundry and Liquid Dish Soap
- Hand Sanitizer and Clorox Cleaning
- Wipes
- Avery Labels and Whit Copy Paper

- Stamps
- Spare Change
- \$\$\$\$\$\$

### How Do I Donate to the AniMeals' Food Bank?

- In Missoula, you can drop off food or other items at the AniMeals facility located at 1700 Rankin Street, Missoula, MT 59808.
- Outside of Missoula, the following locations are available to drop off food and other items to be given to AniMeals:
  - Bitterroot Area Donation Drop-Off Locations:
    - *Crazy Horse Consignment* - 6555 Hwy 12 West, Lolo, MT 59847
    - *Quality Supply-Hamilton* - 1189 S 1st Street, Hamilton, MT 59840
    - *Florence Veterinary Clinic* - 5391 US Hwy 93 N, Florence, MT 59833
    - *Sapphire Animal Hospital* - 4052 US Hwy 93 N, Stevensville, MT 59870
  - Flathead Area Drop-Off Locations:
    - *Mountain Valley Foods* - 25 Commons Way, Kalispell, MT 59901
    - *Ponderosa Vet* - 100 Ponderosa Lane, Kalispell, MT 59901
    - *Polson Pet & Feed Col* - 105 3rd Ave E, Polson, MT 59860
    - *Whitefish Animal Hospital* - 245 2nd St W, Whitefish, MT 59937
    - *Tailwaggers* - 419 3rd St, Whitefish, MT 59937
    - *Pawsitively Perfect* - 2960 US Hwy 2 East, Kalispell, MT 59901
    - *Alpine Animal Hospital* - 5820 Hwy 93 S, Whitefish, MT 59937
    - *Central Valley Animal Hospital* – 3650 U.S. Hwy 2 East, Kalispell, MT 59901
    - *Flathead Animal Clinic* - 344 First Ave W, Kalispell, MT 59901
- If you host an event to benefit AniMeals locally and are unable to transport donations to our facility, we can work with you to come pick the items up from you.
- If you want to donate, but are not bodily able to or live out of town, one of AniMeals' drivers can setup a time to pick up the items.
- If you have questions or ideas that you would like to share with us about this program, please feel free to call us at (406) 721-4710 or stop by our facility.

**Change Drives**

## “Change an Animal’s Life”

### Change & Food Drives:

Throughout the year, AniMeals holds numerous Change Drives and Food Drives to raise food and money for the AniMeals Food Bank.

- We are always looking for volunteers to help!
- If you are interested in helping with these drives please contact AniMeals at 406-721-4710 for more information about the days, times, and places that help is needed for.

### About the Program:

AniMeals strives to raise awareness and funds to help animals around Montana. We setup informational tables at various locations around Missoula through the help and donated space of local businesses.

- Our normal hours for change drives are Tuesday –Friday 11:00am to 5:00pm.

### How Do I Get Involved?

- Volunteers are always needed!
- If you are interested in volunteering:
  - Fill out a Volunteer Application
  - Meet with AniMeals’ Volunteer Coordinator to set up times, locations, etc.
- If you would like to get your business involved, just give AniMeals a call at (406) 721-4710 and we will work with you to get something setup!

## **Volunteer Opportunities**

“Help Ease the Suffering of the Weak and Unloved”

### About the Program:

AniMeals’ volunteer opportunities allow people from all backgrounds and all interests to help the amazing cats housed here.

### Opportunities Available:

- Administrative  
Data entry, answering phones, assist with medical records, updating & creating new files.
- Special Events & Fundraising Support  
Working hand in hand with our marketing staff to help out with our many events.
- Writers  
For newsletter & website content.

- Building & Grounds Maintenance  
Planting flowers, keeping kitty condos clean, washing AniMeals vehicles, keeping building tidy both inside and out.
- Recycle Route  
Riding along with our recycling manager to help pick up our recyclables.
- Kitty Fun Committee  
Brushing and playing with the kitties.
- Seamstress  
Cut down king and queen size comforters to better fit in the kennels, repair cat and dog beds, and other special projects that arise throughout the year. This can be done at your leisure and then return the items when you are completed with them. Just give AniMeals a call and we will have a bag of items ready for you to pick up.

How Do I Get Involved with AniMeals' Volunteer Opportunities?

- 1) Fill out a Volunteer Application. There are 2 ways to do this:
  - a. Come to AniMeals and pickup an application to fill out here or bring back in.
  - OR**
  - b. Print off an application from our website at [www.animeals.com](http://www.animeals.com) to fill out and either bring into AniMeals or fax it to us.
- 2) Meet with the AniMeals Volunteer Coordinator to setup what you would like to do.
- 3) Come help us make a difference in these animals' lives!

**Community Service Program**

“Give Back to Your Community and Make a Difference at the Same Time”

About the Program:

At AniMeals, you can complete your community service hours and help these wonderful cats at the same time. AniMeals works with the Community Service Board and Judge Loudon located here in Missoula, MT to document and ensure that you complete your needed hours.

Some of your duties will include:

- Scooping Litter Boxes
- Vacuuming
- Bleaching Random Items
- Helping Organize the Warehouse
- Cleaning Bathrooms
- Dusting

- Sweeping Out Kennels
- Assisting Office Personnel
- Spending Times with the Cats

### How Do I Setup Completing My Hours with AniMeals?

- 1) Come in and fill out a Community Service Application.
- 2) Meet with an AniMeals Representative to setup and track hours.
- 3) Come help us make a difference in these animals' lives!

### Requirements to Complete Community Service Hours at AniMeals:

- Crime committed was non-violent.
- Interested persons must contact the AniMeals' manager prior to starting hours.
- Minimal or No Allergies to cats is recommended. (*Note: we house over 100 cats at any point in time*)
- No minimum or maximum number of hours required.

### Recommendations While Completing Hours:

- You will be required to be moving around frequently and possibly lifting heavy objects.
- It is suggested you wear comfortable, loose clothing and lace-up, close-toed shoes.
- We ask that you either turn off your cell-phone or leave it out of the warehouse when you come to complete your hours.

## **Foster Program**

“Give the gift of life to a homeless animal...become a foster parent!”

### About the Foster Program:

Each year, AniMeals takes in 300 or more kittens of all ages who have lost their homes and/or mothers to a variety of reasons and are in need of our care.

- We are always in need of foster families.
- No formal training required! Just a loving home.

### How Does the Program Work?

- AniMeals will contact you when we have cats or kittens in need of fostering.
- AniMeals will provide you with a Foster Parent Informational Handbook.
- AniMeals will show you how to care for the kittens (feeding, medicine, special needs, etc).
- AniMeals will supply/loan you any supplies (crate, litter pan, grooming tools, etc.) that you do not already have.

To be Eligible to Foster:

- If you lease, your lease must allow pets. (AniMeals will verify with your landlord prior to allowing you to foster)
- All other animals in your home must have up-to-date immunizations and no chronic illnesses.
- An AniMeals representative must be allowed to visit your home prior to and during your fostering any animals.
- You must have access or the ability to make arrangements for transportation of the animals to AniMeals should there be veterinary appointments.
- Each person will be interviewed by the Warehouse Manager prior to be allowed to foster any animals. *Note: Eligibility to foster is at the discretion of the Warehouse Manager*

**Kitty Fun Committee**

“A Gift for Humans from the AniMeals Cats”

About the Program:

AniMeals welcomes people of all ages to come to our facility to pet, brush, or just sit and relax with the cats and kittens housed here. We have found that just playing with these wonderful creatures is therapeutic not only to the cats but also to the humans who come to see them.

- 90% of the cats here come in because of owner surrender so they are used to a home setting.
- The staff at AniMeals does their best but with a skeleton crew time to spend with the animals is limited so volunteers are always much appreciated.
- We have found that this program is therapeutic to not only the animals but to the humans as well.
- This program is available to all members of the public.
- Individuals as well as groups are always welcome. If you are planning to bring a group, however, we do ask that you please call AniMeals before you come so that we can make sure that we are prepared for your group.
- Additional Requirements for Youth Volunteers:
  - All youth under 12 years of age **must** be accompanied by an adult during all volunteer hours.
  - All youth over 12 years of age **must** be accompanied by an adult during the first three visits to gauge responsibility and maturity level of the volunteer. After the initial visits, the warehouse manager **may** allow the youth to volunteer without having an adult present.

- **ALL** youth under 18 years of age **must** have a parent or guardian's signature on their volunteer application turned in to AniMeals **before** they will be able to do any volunteering.
- **ALL** youth under 18 years of age **must** be picked up **no later than 4:45pm.**

### How Does My Group Get Involved?

It's a very simple process. Just come on in and we will get you started with petting, brushing, and playing with the cats!

### Recycle For AniMeals

“Reduce, Reuse, Recycle, and Save an Animal's Life”

### Give to AniMeals at Pacific Steel Recycling:

AniMeals has partnered with Pacific Steel and Recycling so that proceeds from anything recycled at their facility can be donated to AniMeals. A contribution check is then sent to AniMeals at the end of each month.

### Recycle Cottages:

If you aren't able to take your aluminum recyclables to Pacific Steel but still would like to donate it to be recycled for AniMeals, we also have recycle cottages at numerous locations around Missoula to drop it off at.

### Cottage Locations:

- AniMeals
- Paradise Falls
- Lolo Harvest Foods
- Pattee Creek Market
- Hastings
- Rosauers
- Super WalMart
- WalMart
- Deano's Travel Plaza
- Conoco - East Missoula
- Marchies Nursery
- St. Francis Xavier Catholic Church
- Rattlesnake Gardens
- Hilton Garden Inn
- Vibrant Hearing

AniMeals pick-ups the cottages and recycles everything on a weekly basis. If you have any questions about the cottages or where they are located, please feel free to give us a call at (406) 721-4710. *Note: At this time, we are only able to recycle **Aluminum** items.*

## **Collaboration with Education Programs**

“Educate for AniMeals”

### **About the Program:**

AniMeals will work with any group or member of the community to setup a project with them. Just give us a call and we will get something setup with you!

Some of the projects that we have been involved with in the past include:

- Raising Awareness
- Service Projects
- School Projects
- Kitty Fun Committee
- Elementary
- High School
- University/Community College/Vo-Tech

## **Drivers**

“Help Drive Away Animal Hunger in Montana”

### **About the Program:**

We provide cat food and dog food to the following areas throughout Northern, Southern, and Western Montana:

- Shelters
- Rescues
- Homebound Disabled
- Individuals (see Volunteer/Food Exchange Program)
- The majority of the food that we provide to others has been donated from the individuals within the community and the rest is then purchased through donations we have received.

### **How Do I Get Involved?**

If you are traveling anywhere in Western Montana and would like to help by delivering a load of food to one of our shelters or rescue groups just give us a call in advance of your trip and we will have the load ready for you when you arrive.