



Operation Kindness Invites Children to Go Behind the Scenes of the Shelter at 2024 Summer Camps

The North Texas animal welfare organization is offering summer enrichment programming for youth to inspire the next generation of caregivers

CARROLLTON, Texas (April 26, 2023) – Operation Kindness is thrilled to announce the launch of its highly anticipated Paw Pioneers Camp for summer 2024. Aimed at young animal enthusiasts aged 7-14, the camp offers an exciting opportunity for children to delve into the world of animal welfare and experience firsthand the inner workings of a leading animal shelter.

Paw Pioneers Camp is designed to provide an immersive and educational experience for children aged 11-14, with a two-day camp experience being held on Saturday, June 29 and Sunday, June 30, as well as on Saturday, July 27 and Sunday, July 28. Junior Paw Pioneers Camp offers an equally enriching experience for younger participants aged 7-10 and will be held on Wednesday, June 26 and Thursday, June 27, as well as Wednesday, July 24 and Thursday, July 25.

Attendees of Paw Pioneers Camp will have the chance to engage in a variety of activities, including watching up-close veterinary procedures in the shelter's Rees-Jones Medical Wing, touring the [neonatal kitten nursery](#), spending quality time with both the shelter's dogs and cats and learning about day-to-day shelter operations. Through these experiences, campers will gain insight into the daily care routines of shelter animals, animal welfare topics such as the importance of spaying and neutering, and the critical role of animal adoption in saving lives. Additionally, attendees will have the opportunity to interact with dedicated shelter staff and volunteers who work to improve the lives of animals in need. Each child will also go home with a commemorative t-shirt.

“At Operation Kindness, we are passionate about creating opportunities for young minds to explore and understand the vital role of animal welfare in our communities. Hosting these camps isn't just about providing a fun summer experience,” CEO Ed Jamison said. “It's about instilling a sense of compassion and responsibility towards animals from an early age. By immersing children in the daily operations of our shelter through Paw Pioneers Camp and Junior Paw Pioneers Camp, we're nurturing future advocates who will play a crucial role in creating a more compassionate and humane society.”

Operation Kindness's goal with Paw Pioneers Camp is to ignite a lifelong passion for animal welfare in young hearts and minds, empowering them to become advocates for animals in their communities.

Registration for Paw Pioneers is open now on our [website](#). Space is limited, so sign up soon!

Interviews can be arranged by request. B-roll can be found [here](#).

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About Operation Kindness

Operation Kindness, a 501(c)(3) non-profit animal welfare organization, operates a lifesaving animal shelter and programs to assist people and pets. Founded in 1976, Operation Kindness is a pioneer in Texas for assisting animals in need of veterinary care, companionship and, most of all, a home. In addition to pet adoptions and lifesaving medical care, Operation Kindness' programs provide foster care for vulnerable animals, behavior and training support for pet parents, affordable veterinary services for community pets, a pet food pantry, volunteer opportunities and professional training. To learn more about Operation Kindness, please visit their website at WWW.OPERATIONKINDNESS.ORG.

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