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## **Charlottesville-Albemarle SPCA offering \$25 adoption fees for adult cats and dogs July 22-24 thanks to Best Friends Animal Society**



Charlottesville, Va. (July 22, 2022) – This weekend, Best Friends Animal Society is surprising new pet owners by helping to pick up adoption fees at shelters across the country. That includes the Charlottesville-Albemarle SPCA where adoption fees will be \$25 for adult cats and dogs. Some exclusions may apply.

All animals available for adoption are spayed or neutered, microchipped, and vaccinated. The SPCA is open for adoptions every day from 12-6 PM. Available pets can be previewed at [caspca.org](http://caspca.org).

“We are excited about the opportunity to place more animals in caring homes through this partnership,” said Angie Gunter, Chief Executive Officer of the Charlottesville-Albemarle SPCA. “We’re hoping the reduced adoption fee will encourage those interested in adopting to consider welcoming an adult dog or cat into their home this weekend.”

Currently, there are 100,000 more pets awaiting homes at shelters than at this time last year due to recent problems such as staffing shortages, limited shelter hours, decreased volunteers, and reduced adoption events. For every pet Best Friends Animal Society helps get adopted, it can save two lives: the pet who goes home and the one who now has space to come to the SPCA.

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#### **About the Charlottesville-Albemarle SPCA**

The Charlottesville-Albemarle SPCA is proud to have maintained the City of Charlottesville and Albemarle County as a No Kill community, providing life-saving care to thousands of animals in the region. The mission of the SPCA is to advance the compassionate treatment of animals by providing sheltering, medical care and behavioral services for dogs and cats; promoting permanent, caring homes; and furthering education and outreach to place healthy animals in caring homes.

#### **About the Best Friends Network**

The Best Friends Network is comprised of thousands of public and private shelters, rescue groups, spay/neuter organizations and other animal welfare organizations in all 50 states. We are a coalition committed to saving the lives of homeless cats and dogs through collaboration, information-sharing and implementation of proven lifesaving strategies. Our partners support each other and inspire their own communities to increase lifesaving of dogs and cats across the country.