

Animal House Project

A 501(c)3 Charitable Organization

d/b/a Chester County Pet Food Pantry

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Youth Organization Opportunities

Children are encouraged to assist the Animal House Project/Chester County Pet Food Pantry to help learn about the responsibility of pet care, and to express their compassion for pets and people in need. This document is intended to provide ideas to youth organizations on how they can help the Animal House Project, but Animal House Project embraces all offers for assistance. Some projects require coordination/approval from the Animal House Project, please contact volunteer@animalhouseproject.org for more details.

- Host Pet Food/Accessory Drive – organize and collect pet food/accessory donations
 - Food drives – collect food for all pets or a specific a type of pet (cats, dogs, small animal, bird, fish),
 - Accessory drive – collect pet care accessories for all pets or collect a specific type of accessory (eg: kitty litter/litter accessories, pet treats, flea/tick preventative, small animal bedding)
- Fundraiser with proceeds benefitting pet food pantry. Some ideas are below:
 - Dog wash
 - Dog walking
 - Bake sale
- Create bins to collect pet food at drop off locations (Contact Animal House Project to determine need and bin specifications)
- Inventory assistance – help repackage food, including packaging and weighing dry food. (Contact Animal House Project for scheduling)
- Collect pet related coupons for the pet food pantry for distribution to clients or to help purchase pet food/accessories.
- Education events – organize education events about how to take care of pets (Contact Animal House Project for scheduling)
- Distribute flyers about our services or upcoming events (Contact Animal House Project for specific need)
- Crafting and Baking
 - Make pet treats for distribution to the client pets, or sell them to benefit the pet food pantry (ingredients of treats must be clearly stated including whether they need to be refrigerated to remain fresh)
 - Make pet toys- use your imagination and creativity to make pet friendly toys. Some samples are below:
 - Collect small stuffed animals and make them pet friendly (wash the stuffed animals, repair rips/tears, remove small parts like button eyes, remove bean filling, remove anything harmful to pets)
 - Create cat toys using paper towel or toilet paper rolls, cover with colorful non-toxic paint/crayons/markers/colorful duct tape, fill with items (ensure content is not harmful to animals)
 - Animal House Project - Make animal houses and decorate them (eg: dog houses, bird houses, small animal houses). Have a contest to vote best decorated. Sell or auction the animal houses and donate the proceeds to the Animal House Project, or donate the animal house to the Animal House Project for client distribution or sale.
 - Art contest –submit drawings to pantry for possible inclusion in communications, website, social media, signage or other usage. Sample ideas are below but contact pantry for specific needs
 - Draw pictures that thank donors for their help
 - Create Holiday cards for clients, donors and volunteers
 - Ask people for donations
 - Draw pictures of pets ‘asking for help’
 - Make pet beds or sweaters for distribution to client pets, or sell them to benefit the pet food pantry – obtain a pattern and have fun!