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Give a Pet a Home this Holiday Season

Wake County Animal Center adoption special runs through Dec. 22

As you wrap presents and give gifts this holiday season, there are pets in Wake County in need of the ultimate gift—a home.

From today until Dec. 22, the [Wake County Animal Center](#) is offering reduced adoption rates for adult cats and dogs as part of the Home for the Holidays adoption special. Cats and dogs eight years and older will be available for adoption at the following rates:

- Dogs – \$25
- Cats – Name your price

Adult cats and dogs make great pets because they have already developed their personalities and behaviors. If a cat or dog is coming from a foster home, potential owners will also know more about what the animal is like in a home environment.

View the [Wake County Animal Center Adoption Gallery](#) to see animals available for adoption.

Advice for giving and receiving a pet this season:

- Coming into a new home can be stressful for a pet, no matter the time of year. If you are bringing a new pet into your home around the holidays, make sure they have a quiet room or kennel to relax in away from guests, celebrations and food they should not be eating.
- If you are considering giving someone a pet as a gift, make sure the recipient can have a pet at their home. Some apartment complexes may require a deposit for pets, or may not allow animals.
- Instead of surprising someone with a new pet, consider giving them items the pet will need, such as a food bowl, water bowl, leash or collar, and then offer to pick out the pet together.

The Wake County Animal Center is an open-admission animal shelter operated by Wake County. The center receives all stray, abandoned and surrendered pets in the county and works in partnership with fosters, volunteers and local rescues, to treat and rehome thousands of homeless animals every year.

Visit www.wakegov.com/pets/adoptions for more information on adopting from the Wake County Animal Center.

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