

# NEWS RELEASE

**Ilene Shapiro – Summit County Executive**  
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## **Summit County Animal Control holding Clear the Shelter adoption event**

**SUMMIT COUNTY, OHIO**—County Executive Ilene Shapiro is announcing the Clear the Shelter adoption event at Summit County Animal Control! This year marks the 10-year anniversary of Clear the Shelters, a national pet adoption drive that helps animals in need find loving homes. Since the campaign began in 2015, over 1,020,000 pets have been adopted nationwide. By adopting your newest family member from Animal Control during this event, you can be part of a national commitment to providing safe homes, healthy food (plus some treats!), and lots of cuddles to animals in need right here in Summit County.

During the Clear the Shelter adoption event, adoption fees will be reduced to \$28 for dogs (regularly \$94) and \$5 for cats (regularly \$60) from Saturday, August 10 through Tuesday, September 10. All adoptable pets are microchipped, fully vetted (including bloodwork, flea treatments, intestinal deworming, spay/neuter, and vaccinations), and ready to be taken home. Those who adopt a dog will receive a 2024 Summit County Dog License included in the adoption cost.

Residents can find the cutest pictures of adoptable animals on Summit County Animal Control's Facebook or Pet Finder pages. If you are unable to adopt at this time, residents can like, share, and follow the page and use the hashtag #CleartheShelters to help us spread the word. You can keep up with this year's nationwide total of adopted pets at <https://www.cleartheshelters.com/>.

**What:** Clear the Shelter Adoption Event

**Who:** County Executive Ilene Shapiro and Summit County Animal Control

**When:** Saturday, August 10 – Tuesday, September 10, 2024

**Where:** 250 Opportunity Parkway in Akron

**Adoption Hours:** M-F: 10:00am – 6:00pm, Saturday: 12:00pm – 3:00pm, Sunday 1:00pm – 3:00pm

**Facebook:** <https://www.facebook.com/SummitCountyExecutive>

**Petfinder:** <https://www.petfinder.com/member/us/oh/akron/summit-county-animal-control-department-oh423/>

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