

**Branford Animal Shelter  
749 East Main St  
Branford, CT 06405  
203-315-4125**

***Thank you for your interest in adopting one of our shelter animals! The Dan Cosgrove Animal Shelter wants to make certain that every animal adopted goes to a loving and caring home. Our application asks a number of detailed questions. We ask that you be as thorough as possible in order to make our screening process effective. Please note that we reserve the right to contact two references including a previous or current Vet to help us in our decision making process. The Branford Animal Shelter reserves the right to refuse any adoption application.***

**Name** \_\_\_\_\_ **Address** \_\_\_\_\_

**City** \_\_\_\_\_ **State** \_\_\_\_\_ **Zip** \_\_\_\_\_ **Email** \_\_\_\_\_

**Home Phone** \_\_\_\_\_ **Cell/Work Phone** \_\_\_\_\_

**Co-Applicant Name** \_\_\_\_\_ **Cell/Work Phone** \_\_\_\_\_

**Are you currently employed?** \_\_\_\_\_ **Place of Employment** \_\_\_\_\_

**Please provide two references (one should be a previous/current vet):**

**Name** \_\_\_\_\_ **Phone** \_\_\_\_\_ **Relationship** \_\_\_\_\_

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**HOUSEHOLD INFORMATION:**

**\*Please circle one of the following\***

**Do you currently:** Own      Rent      Live at home with Parents/Guardian

**Do you live in:** House      Apartment      Condo      Mobile Home

**If you rent, live in a Condo/Mobile Home please complete the following question:**

**Do you have a copy of lease agreement/bylaws/stating animals are allowed? Y or N**

**Please provide us a copy of this before you complete this application. Applications without this information will not be considered for adoption.**

**Length of Time at Current Residence:**\_\_\_\_\_

**If you are planning on adopting a dog, do you have a fenced in yard? Y or N**

**If so what type of fence? Chain Wood Invisible Unsure**

**If you do not have a fenced in yard, what arrangements will you make for exercise and toilet duties?**\_\_\_\_\_

**How many adults are in the home?**\_\_\_\_\_

**How many children are in the home and what are their ages?**\_\_\_\_\_

**Are all family members aware that you are looking to adopt a pet? Y or N**

**Will all the family members come in to meet the pet prior to adoption? Y or N**

**Do any family members have allergies to animals? Y or N**

**Who will be the primary caregiver?**\_\_\_\_\_

**PET HISTORY:**

**Have you ever owned a pet? Y or N If so,what** \_\_\_\_\_

**Do you currently own other pets? Y or N How many?**\_\_\_\_\_

**Are they current on their vaccinations and heartworm preventatives? Y or N**

**Are your dogs licensed in Branford? Y or N**

**Please give a brief description of the other animals you currently own- Please include their approx. age, if they are spayed/neutered and length of ownership.**

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**Have you ever given a pet up for adoption? Y or N If so, why?**\_\_\_\_\_

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**PET INFORMATION:**

What is the longest number of hours your pet will be home alone daily? \_\_\_\_\_

Where will the pet spend most of its time? Inside Outside Garage Basement Run

Where will your pet sleep? Inside Outside Garage Basement

Are you aware that a cat or dog could live to be 15 years old or older? Y or N

Are you prepared to make a lifelong commitment? Y or N

Are you willing to take your pet to obedience training or a behaviorist? Y or N

It may take a few weeks or even months before your new pet adjusts to "home" life.

Are you willing to wait out this adjustment period? Y or N

Have you ever had a pet lost or stolen? Y or N

Have you ever owned a kitten or puppy before? Y or N

The Branford Animal Shelter strongly recommends that you learn as much as possible about owning a puppy or kitten. They are cute and cuddly but require a lot of time, patience and effort. Before you adopt, please feel free to contact one of our Animal Control Officers for information regarding puppy and kitten care.

What will you do with your pet if you move? \_\_\_\_\_

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What circumstances might you justify for giving up your pet? Please circle all that apply.

New Baby Moving Shedding Want to travel Divorce Allergies

Pet Health Problems Too Old Behavior Problems Children lost interest

Pet not getting along with other pets New household member dislikes pet

Destructive Too time consuming Other \_\_\_\_\_ None

Have you ever adopted an animal from us before? Y or N

If so, what? \_\_\_\_\_

**PET PREFERENCE: \*Please circle all that apply\***

**Dog:** Small Medium Large Breed:\_\_\_\_\_

**Age:** <1year 1-5years 6-10 years 10-15 years

**I want a:** lap dog hunting dog companion dog watch dog

**Energy level preferred:** High Medium Low

**I intend to:** Bring dog-to-dog park Walk on leash Play in enclosed yard

**Cat:** Small Medium Large Breed/Color Preference:\_\_\_\_\_

**Age:** <1 year 1-5years 6-10years 10-15years

**I want a:** lap cat playful cat companion cat independent cat

**Energy level preferred:** High Medium Low

**Please finish this sentence:**

**My ideal pet would be one that**

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**Please add any other comments or information you would like us to know:**

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**By signing this application, I certify that the information I have provided is true. Any misrepresentation of the facts may result in losing my privilege of adoption. I authorize investigation of all statements on this application. I understand that a representative of the Dan Cosgrove Animal Shelter may check references and that this application is the property of the shelter. I agree not to sell, exchange or give the animal away. I also agree to return the animal to you if I cannot provide it with adequate food, shelter, medical care and love.**

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**Applicant Signature**                      **Date**

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**Co-Applicant Signature**                      **Date**

