

# At Home Packet



**Thank you so much for helping the animals at the Kentucky Humane Society. This packet has projects for one-time term volunteers and students looking for ways to earn school-based service hours from home.**

**The items in this packet are used each day at our shelter and provide much needed comfort and interaction for the animals. Your project contribution directly supports nearly 6,000+ dogs, cats and horses KHS cares for each year!**



- You may drop off donations any time during or after business hours at our East Campus location. 1000 Lyndon Lane, Suite B, Louisville, KY 40222. There is a donation bin outside the doors that is checked multiple times a day. No need to schedule a drop off time, please bring in the donations as you wish.
- To receive credit for service hours, please email the Volunteer Engagement Manager after you have dropped off the items. In the email, please provide pictures as proof of items being dropped off along with the date and time of drop off.
- Once you email the Volunteer Engagement Manager, an official KHS letter on our letterhead will be emailed back to you about the hours awarded.

**Please allow up to 5 business days for the official letter to make its way back to you!**

**[volunteer@kyhumane.org](mailto:volunteer@kyhumane.org)**

*Please note: These projects cannot be completed in exchange for hours pertaining to court-ordered, court-mandated or KTAP community service.*

# Ways to Obtain Volunteer Hours from Home

If you have specific service hour requirements that are needed for clubs, sports, religious based groups or anything school related, please read through this At Home Packet and find the activities that best fit your needs.

- Need 30 hours or less? Select an activity from this At Home Packet.
- Need, or want, 30 hours or more? You are welcome to volunteer in person at our East Campus.

At our Main Campus/Sam Swope Pet TLC, there is a 'Grab and Go' area that stores items to be put together from home (adoption folders, enrichment, cat toys, etc). Please email the Volunteer Engagement Manager for instructions.

- When completed please email the Volunteer Engagement Manager how many hours it took to complete, and she will give you credit for it.

If your parents/legal guardians are animal fosters, the Volunteer Engagement Manager can give you credit hours for helping with the foster animal. If they are not currently fosters and would like to start the process, please email [foster@kyhumane.org](mailto:foster@kyhumane.org).

- You must actively help with the animal.
- KHS will honor five hours per day while the foster animal is being cared for in your house. (Note: Five hours per day. NOT per animal, per day).

Want to host a drive or something KHS related at your clubs, sports, religious based groups or anything school related?

- A lot of people choose to host donation drives which are VERY helpful.
- You can also make enrichment-based items for our animals or host a treat making station.



# What is Enrichment?

Enrichment refers to the mental and physical stimulation that increases the behavioral wellness of animals. These types of activities alleviate boredom while animals await their forever homes.

Please do not use any of the following items which may present a danger to the animals:

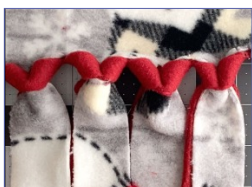
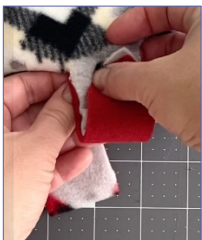
- DO NOT LEAVE PINS IN HAND-MADE BLANKETS!!
- Toxic glue or materials
- Glitter
- Items that may become loose, posing a choking hazard to an animal, including bells, trinkets, beads, etc.
- String that may fray or be swallowed

## No Sew Fleece Blanket

48in x 60in Blanket = 4 hrs | 21in x 15in Blanket = 2 hrs

### Supplies:

Two pieces of fleece - 48inches x 60inches (adult dog blanket) or 21inches x 15inches (adult cat blanket) and fabric scissors



### Instructions:

- Step 1: Choose the fabric. Choose a print and a contrasting or matching solid
- Step 2: Line up the two fabric pieces
- Step 3: Trim to the same size
- Step 4: Cut out the corners
- Step 5: Cutting the fringe
- Step 6: Begin tying knots
- Step 7: Continue around the blanket
- **MAKE SURE TO REMOVE ANY PINS USED TO KEEP BLANKET HALVES IN PLACE**

## Fleece Braided Tug Toys (Old T-shirts or blankets can also be used for this)

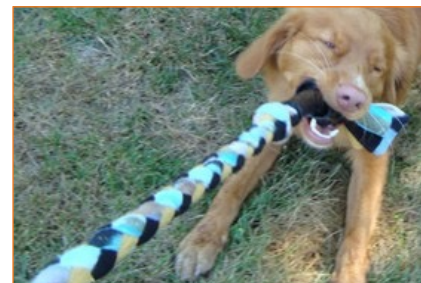
**10 Toys = 3 hours**

**Supplies:** Fleece (2-5 feet depending on preference), Fabric scissors

### Instructions:

- Cut three strips of fleece
- Gather strips of fleece and tie large knot at one end
- Separate fleece strips into sections then braid
- Leave enough fleece at the other end to tie knot

*Note: Fleece braids can vary in width and length. Longer ones (3-5 feet) are nice as they can be attached to the puppy kennels, and they pull on them. Any size will work as we have small puppies to large dogs who all love these!*



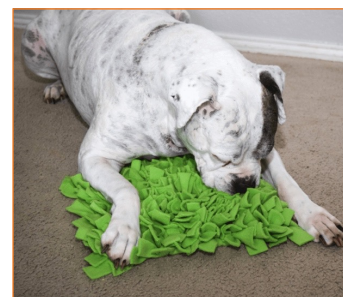
## Snuffle Mat

**1 mat = 2 hours**

**Supplies:** 1 Yard fleece, 1 Plastic dish drainer mat or sink drainer, fabric scissors

### Instructions:

- Knot the 6-inch pieces to the dish mat until it's completely covered



## Tissue Box Puzzle Toy

**5 toys = 2 hours**

**Supplies:** Empty tissue box, Non-toxic glue, 14 Toilet paper rolls per toy, plastic wrap

### Instructions:

- Cut the top rectangle off the tissue box
- Glue toilet paper rolls inside the tissue box until the box is full. Please remember to use non-toxic glue (do not use super glue)

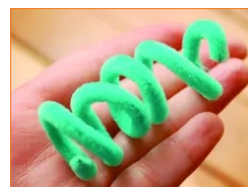


## Pipe Cleaner toys

**(25 toys = 1 hour)**

**Supplies:** Pipe cleaner

**Instructions:** Grab the pipe cleaner and curl it, make it into shapes or bend it



# Wish List Donation Drive

You can also help by donating individually or hosting a Wish List Donation Drive with your school, religious institution, sports teams, club based activities or with your family and friends. Below are some examples of what can be collected through a donation drive to earn hours.

## 1 Hour:

- Cat food (dry and canned) (2 items of standard size food for 1 hour)
- Wet kitten food (6 cans for 1 hour)
- Vienna Sausages (3 cans for 1 hour)
- Puppy food (canned) (4 cans of food for 1 hour)
- Peanut Butter (creamy and xylitol free) (2 jars of PB for 1 hour)
- Ice cream cones (no sprinkles or special coated cones) (2 boxes for 1 hour)
- Marshmallow fluff (2 containers for 1 hour)
- Broth (bone, chicken or beef) (2 containers for 1 hour)
- Canned goods (carrots, green beans, sweet potato, pure pumpkin-no pie filling) (4 cans for 1 hour)
- Tortillas (1 pack for 1 hour)
- Bleach (1 standard size jug for 1 hour)
- Unopened roll of paper towels (2 individual rolls for 1 hour)
- Dish soap (2 bottles for 1 hour)
- Box of Zip-close sandwich bags (all sizes) (3 boxes for 1 hour)
- Empty and unused spray bottles (2 bottles for 1 hour)
- Newspapers (1 stack for 1 hour)
- Litter boxes (cleaned out with no lids) (1 litter box for 1 hour)
- Wild bird seed (1 bag of standard size seed for 1 hour)
- Muffin tins (1 tin for 1 hour)
- Cardboard egg cartons (2 cartons for 1 hour)
- Lick mats (1 mat for 1 hour)
- Towels, pet beds, comforters, blankets, sheets (no fitted sheets or pillowcases) (4 items for 1 hour)
- Toilet paper rolls (20 rolls for 1 hour)
- Paper towel rolls (10 rolls for 1 hour)
- Spatulas (2 spatulas for 1 hour)
- Frisbees (2 frisbees for 1 hour)
- New Kongs of any kind (1 Kong for 1 hour)

## 2 Hours:

- Slip leads (2 leads for 1 hour)
- Dog treats (RAWHIDE free please) (2 bags/individual treats for 2 hour)
- Cat litter (clay, unscented) (1 standard size of litter for 2 hour)
- Laundry detergent (no fragrance) (1 standard size bottle for 2 hour)
- Food and water bowls (4 bowls for 2 hour)

## 3 Hours:

- Cat toys (10 toys for 3 hours)
- Dog toys (new or gently used) (10 toys for 3 hours)

## 4 Hours:

- Cat carriers (hard plastic so it can be washed in between uses, any size) (1 cat carrier for 4 hours)
- New dog crates (plastic or wire, any size) (1 crate for 4 hours)

