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**NEWS
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El Paso Animal Services Celebrates Veterans Day with Pets and Vets Event

Free Adoptions for Veterans, Active Military, First Responders and their Families

WHAT: **Pets and Vets** - Free adoptions for veterans, active military, first responders and their families

WHEN: 11 a.m. to 6 p.m.
Saturday, November 11, 2023

WHERE: El Paso Animal Services Center; 5001 Fred Wilson Ave.

WHEN: Noon to 6 p.m.
Saturday, November 11, 2023

WHERE: Tails at the Times Adoption Center; 501 E. Mills St.

WHEN: Noon to 5 p.m.
Saturday, November 11, 2023

WHERE: Mission Valley Adoption Center; 9068 Socorro Rd.

WHEN: 10 a.m. to 4 p.m.
Saturday, November 11, 2023

WHERE: CATZ (Cats at the Zoo); 4001 E. Paisano Rd.

On Saturday, November 11, El Paso Animal Services will be waiving all pet adoption fees for veterans, active military, first responders and their families with their 'Pets and Vets' adoption promotion. This event aims at connecting families with great shelter pets, while also honoring the service of these brave people in our community.

Veterans, active military personnel, and first responders can discover a wealth of benefits in adopting a pet, as they offer companionship, reduce stress, provide a daily routine, instill a sense of purpose and responsibility, encourage physical activity, offer emotional support, and enhance social connections. Pets can contribute to improved mental health, reduced symptoms of PTSD, and provided a source of comfort during the unique challenges and work demands, making them invaluable additions to the lives of those who have served our communities and our country.

Three of the Animal Services Adoption Centers (El Paso Animal Services, Tails at the Times Adoption Center, Mission Valley Adoption Center) will be closed at 2 p.m. in observation of Veterans' Day on Friday, November 10. The centers will resume regular business hours on Saturday, November 11 for this campaign.

To learn more or view adoptable pets ahead of time, visit EIPasoAnimalServices.org.

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