

**Update: 03/26/20**

To our Dedicated Volunteers -

We want to continue to keep you informed on how we are protecting you, our staff and the animals during this crisis and how you can help us #flattenthecurve. We are beyond grateful and inspired by the outpouring of support through volunteering and fostering.

**What we are doing:**

- Dog Team moved the leashes near the dog walking board for easy, open air access. Leashes are also being sanitized in a bleach solution each day.
- We placed additional signage around the Center that asks everyone to practice safe social distancing by staying a minimum of 6 feet apart from one another.
- We placed Rescue solution, as well as paper towels to spray down any non-porous surfaces in high traffic areas around the Center.
- We have placed hand sanitizer in key locations around the Center.
- We have a limited supply of gloves upon request. Please be mindful that we are rationing our supply given the situation in the human health care field and that hand washing is another very effective practice.
- We are limiting in-kind donations to things we can wash or easily sanitize
- We have placed a table outside the front door to safely hand off supplies, paperwork and pets!
- We have created a letter that shows that you are a volunteer performing an essential duty for you to carry on your person. Please email LAVolPhone@BestFriends.org to receive this letter.

**You can continue to help us by following best practices including;**

- Giving space to all colleagues while signing in and out of the Kiosk each day, by maintaining 6 feet of distance or coming back later, if couldn't sign out, no problem, just send us a note! We have also placed Rescue Solution at each kiosk to wipe down before and after you use the station.
- Wash your hands often with soap and water for at least 20 seconds, especially after you have been in a public place, or after blowing your nose, coughing, or sneezing. [Here](#) are some tunes to keep it interesting.
- If you are sick, or living with someone exhibiting symptoms, please stay home. You can find more information on symptoms to look out for on the CDC site [here](#).
- Use your own leashes when possible.
- Register for shifts on Digital Cheetah in advance and sign in when you arrive to the shelter.

Please know that the animals will continue to receive top notch care while we make changes to adapt to this unprecedented situation and we will continue to keep you updated on any changes.

Thank you for all your continued dedication and support.

Together, (but separated by six feet!) we can Save Them All.

Stay safe, stay healthy, and stay positive!