

News Release

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Jobs Wanted: Will Work For Food!

Traditional home adoptions aren't for every cat which is why the Working Cats of Nevada Humane Society are seeking jobs in a more unique setting. Working Cats are looking for a home in settings such as a barn, warehouse, corporate campus, library, small business or plant nursery. In exchange for room, board and meals, the Working Cats will do just that—work, in an effort to keep your property rodent free as well as provide your guests with entertainment as they perch above your heads playing hide and go seek.

Working Cats are not your average cat who enjoy laying on your lap or napping in front of the TV. These cats are more independent and anti-social with people. Though their adoption may be a little different than the lazy, fat housecat, Nevada Humane Society is just as committed to finding them safe homes and is here to help adopters set these cats up for success.

If you're interested in adopting a Working Cat or two (they do best in pairs), please contact Vonice Reed at 775-856-2000 ext. 309 or vreed@nevadahumanesociety.org. In order to find the right Working Cat for you and provide the tools needed for a successful adoption, you will discuss the program in detail, including:

- **Is a Working Cat for me?** Not every location is a safe environment and Nevada Humane Society will work to set the cat up for success. If you live on a busy street or if a neighbor uses poison to deter rodents it won't be a good fit. You also need a safe, dry shelter (easily homemade with basic items) and the ability to care for the cats by looking after them daily.
- **Are there multiple cats?** Working Cats may not love humans (except for during feeding time) but they do love companionship. Adopting more than one helps to increase their success at a new home.
- **Is there an adoption fee?** All fees are waived on Working Cats, though good homes are still required. All Working Cats have been spayed or neutered, vaccinated and microchipped. Donations are always welcome to help cover the care while they are at the shelter.
- **What are the steps for success?** Adopters will need a quiet, escape-proof place to confine the cat for the first few weeks during the acclimation period. Creative options are also available, including homemade structures, if a shed or store room are not available. Once acclimated, Working Cats can be allowed to roam the enclosed space, then eventually, released to work outdoors. At this point they should know where room and board is, and they can easily be brought back inside overnight to ensure their safety. Feeding at specific times is also recommended to establish routine, and it's discouraged to leave food out all the time so you don't attract other hungry critters.

Working Cats deserve second chances too. Will you help Nevada Humane Society find homes for the Working Cats? For more information, please call 775-856-2000, ext. 309 or 303.

Nevada Humane Society is open for adoptions seven days a week at two locations (except for Thanksgiving and Christmas) from 11am to 6:30pm and an hour earlier at 10am on Saturday. For pet adoptions in Reno, visit 2825 Longley Lane. For pet adoptions in Carson City, visit 549 Airport Road. For more information, visit www.NevadaHumaneSociety.org.

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About Nevada Humane Society: Nevada Humane Society is a non-profit, charitable, no-kill shelter creating a no-kill community. We work to find homes and provide care for homeless animals. Our work is made possible by donations.

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