Bergen County SPCA "No Empty Bowls" Pet Food Bank

Participant Application

The Bergen County SPCA (BCSPCA) in cooperation with the Bergen County Animal Shelter and Adoption Center provides free pet food to individuals in need of assistance. This service is offered to qualified residents of Bergen County, Kearny, and Harrison, NJ. The pet food offered comes from donations made to the Bergen County SPCA, a 501c (3) non-profit organization. Pet food is provided on a first come, first served basis and availability is not guaranteed. The BCSPCA reserves the right to deny an applicant who does not meet the standards of qualification for such services. Pet Food is provided for individuals only. We do not have the resources to supply animal rescues or cat colonies.

1. **Applicant's Information** **Date: _____**

Name: _____

Street Address: _____

City: _____ State:_____ Zip Code: _____

Phone: _____Email Address: _____

2. **Pet Information**

Species	Pet Name	Breed	Age	Spay/Neutered

All applicants MUST show proof of pet ownership in the form of written documentation such as town licensing, veterinary bills, and/or adoption paperwork that matches the applicant's name and address.

To be considered for assistance, you are stating that the following statements are true by initialing on the line next to each statement. Please only initial next to each line if you meet the qualification. Applicants found to have submitted false information will be barred from the program indefinitely.

1. _____ I am the owner of the above reference pet(s).
2. _____ I am 18 years of age or older.
3. _____ I am a resident of the above reference address in Bergen County, Harrison, or Kearny, NJ.
4. _____ I agree to update my information if I move or if the number of pets in my household changes.
5. _____ I understand that the food provided is donated and may not be consistent with what I am currently feeding my pet(s).
6. _____ I agree not to hold Bergen County SPCA, Bergen County Animal Shelter, any of their volunteers and/or employees legally liable in the unfortunate event that my pet(s) become ill or the food upsets the pet(s) stomach or general health.
7. _____ I agree to not resell the pet food received at the pet food bank.
8. _____ I agree that I will not breed and/or use any animal for profit or sport.
9. _____ I agree to maintain healthy conditions and living environment for my pet(s) which includes fresh water, food daily, proper veterinary care, and shelter. I will also notify someone if I am unable to provide this level of care.
10. _____ I agree that I will not chain or tether my dog(s) outside unattended for longer than prescribed by law.
11. _____ I need assistance to feed my pet(s) and I will stop receiving assistance once my income provides that I can afford my own pet food.
12. _____ I agree to provide a copy of my driver's license, government issued ID card, passport, or any other document bearing the address of my physical residence and the location of my pet(s)
13. _____ I agree to provide the Bergen County SPCA with documents (if any) of the government assistance that I am currently receiving. (Note: Those who are not receiving current govt assistance may still qualify for the pet food bank)

Bergen County SPCA reserves the right to re-evaluate any pet food bank participant at any time as we see fit.

I, _____, certify that I am the owner of the pet(s) listed above**.** **Signature of Applicant**

I certify that the above information is true and correct, including my identification, residency, and information related to my pet(s). I understand that the Bergen County SPCA is not obligated to provide me with pet food. I understand that the Bergen County SPCA is a 501c (3) non-profit organization. I agree that I will not hold Bergen County SPCA and/or Bergen County Animal Shelter and Adoption Center responsible or liable for any outcomes associated with receiving food from the pet food bank.

FOR OFFICIAL USE ONLY:

Date:

APPLICATION APPROVAL: Yes _____ No_____

Authorized Representative Name / Rank / Initials _____

Number of pets: _____ Species: _____

Breed: _____

Additional Info:

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