



Before Animal Rescue Friends (ARF) was organized in 1999, every unclaimed, impounded stray cat and lost dog brought to the Nichols Hills impound was disposed of within 3 days.

To date ARF has adopted about 1,000 Nichols Hills strays to new homes.

Animal Rescue Friends of Nichols Hills, a completely volunteer organization, helps pets impounded in our town find their owners or a new home, assists animal control staff in resolving the fate of its impound animals, and educates the residents of Nichols Hills in responsible pet ownership.



Lucky ARF alum that has been placed in a home



ARF rescue still in need of a home

Every day and twice on most weekdays, an ARF volunteer checks to see if any animals have been impounded by Nichols Hills animal control. When an animal is impounded, we try to identify it's owner by checking for ID tags, tattoos, and scanning for a microchip.

We even read the "Lost" ads in the Daily Oklahoman to see if someone has advertised for a similar pet.

On day 7 of impound, Nichols Hills transfers ownership of the pet to ARF, which transports him to a veterinarian for a health check, vaccination, and spaying or neutering.

Rescued animals are listed on our website, **AnimalRescueFriends.com**, as well as **Petfinder.com**, and we take them to adoption fairs every week.

ARF is currently spending over \$35,000 annually for spaying, neutering, vaccinating and boarding, which is far less than if the City of Nichols Hills had an actual shelter.



ARF Volunteer Katie Bennett and ARF Board Member Paige Lammerts Brown in front of the ARF Van decorated for the Nichols Hills 4th of July Parade

All ARF personnel are non-paid volunteers.

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And in memory of Dr. Leticia Touchstone ARF's first and only veterinarian for many years who passed away in 2013

Important Numbers

Nichols Hills Animal Control	843-5222
Nichols Hills Police (business)	843-5672
Animal Rescue Friends	843-4222
	or 843-3038

Other Numbers

Central Oklahoma Humane Society	286-1229
Daily Oklahoman Classified	475-3000
Oklahoma City Animal Shelter	297-3089
Village Animal Shelter	751-0493
Bethany Shelter (call ahead)	789-3431
Edmond Shelter	359-4618
Pets & People	350-7387

www.AnimalRescueFriends.com



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ARF Sponsors:

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Pet owners need to know:

- **Tag or microchip your pets.** Include your phone number and your pet's name. Nichols Hills tags may be purchased from Nichols Hills public works at 1009 N.W. 75th St, for \$5.00, with proof of vaccination.
- **If your pet is lost or if you find a lost pet,** first report it to the Nichols Hills Police on their business phone. Next call Nichols Hills Animal Control and ARF.
- **Place a classified ad** in the *Daily Oklahoman*. A FOUND ad is free; a LOST ad will be at a cost. Offering a REWARD increases the chances you'll get your pet back; describe it by size, age, sex, name and color.
- **Check all area shelters** – and we do mean ALL – big dogs can really travel. Visit the Oklahoma City shelter every day for about two weeks. Take photocopied pictures and descriptions of your pet and post them at area shelters and area veterinarians.



It's easy to help ARF!

✓ Become a Member

ARF gladly accepts any amount from \$5 to \$1,000,000 & we send tax deduction letters. Every cent is used for the vet care & boarding & rehoming of the animals we rescue.

✓ Volunteer

Give what time you can!

✓ Build Endowment

Through estate giving.

✓ Pooch Parade

ARF's annual fundraiser.

Member Information

Name: _____

Address: _____

City & Zip: _____

Phone: _____

E-mail: _____

Mail to:

ARF of Nichols Hills
1009 N.W. 75th St.
Oklahoma City, OK 73116

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