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## OC Animal Care Invites the Public for a ‘Dog’s Day Out’

**TUSTIN, Calif.** (3/19/2026) – OC Animal Care is asking for the community’s help in providing adventures for their shelter dogs. Beginning March 26, 2026, members of the public can sign up to take a shelter dog on a field trip through Dog’s Day Out, a new program at OC Animal Care designed to boost adoptions.

The program encourages participants to take adoptable shelter dogs on short field trips, giving the animals an opportunity to experience new environments, enjoy adventures throughout Orange County, and showcase their personalities to potential adopters.

VCA Charities reports that the increased public exposure and improved socialization dogs experience on field trips make them five to 14 times more likely to be adopted.

Dog’s Day Out Pilot Program details:

- Volunteers and our community can sign up to take selected dogs on a “Dog’s Day Out” field trip Thursdays through Sundays from 8 a.m. - noon.
- Participants must be 18 years or older (families may accompany them) and have an enclosed, air-conditioned vehicle.
- Dogs will wear bright orange “Adopt Me” vests, and participants will carry backpacks that include water bowls, waste bags, treats, and adoption information for members of the public who meet the dog.
- Dogs may visit pet-friendly parks, trails, and businesses; for the safety of our shelter pets, dog parks and interaction with other animals are not permitted.
- More information and sign-ups are available at [www.ocpetinfo.com/dogsdayout](http://www.ocpetinfo.com/dogsdayout) or by calling (714) 935-6848.

Appointments are now being accepted, with outings starting March 26. Check-in will take place at OC Animal Care, 1630 Victory Road in Tustin.

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## **About OC Animal Care**

OC Animal Care is the largest municipal shelter in Orange County, located at 1630 Victory Road, Tustin, CA 92782. It serves 14 cities and takes in over 14,500 animals each year. OC Animal Care provides refuge and care for animals, fosters the human-animal bond, and promotes safety in our community. For more information about OC Animal Care, please visit [Ocpetinfo.com](http://Ocpetinfo.com)