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COMING OCTOBER 2017!



Saving Animals in Style!

#### It's hard to believe, but Here We Grow Again!

The Fall is going to be a very busy time for the NHS Second Chance Team as our clothing section leaves the nest and becomes a store in its own right.

*NHS Second Chance Closet* will open in October, just a few doors down from our main location in the 8 Flags Shopping Center. It's an exciting time for us! So often in the past couple of years we've been forced to step away from some incredible opportunities simply because we ran out of space. Our growth has been phenomenal, and sometimes painful as we've tried to make one location serve so many options.

When we started this store over five years ago, the idea was a simple one; just a small space to sell some yard sale items and make a little extra for the Nassau Humane Society. It was a modest goal with a modest beginning. Then our community got involved with a vengeance!

We asked for your used items; cups, dishes, maybe some cute stuff. You sent us furniture, collectibles, antiques, designer clothes and accessories. You literally filled us to the rafters with quality items.

We weren't prepared for the success you selflessly granted. You gave, you shopped and basically forced us to face the fact we weren't going to be a little dot on 8<sup>th</sup> St.

We moved to a space in the 8 Flags Center and your generosity increased exponentially. We ran out of room again, so we took out a wall and expanded into the corner space. And then we ran out of room, so we took over the space on the other side and it became a clothes processing center. That really should have been our first clue that a clothing store was going to be more than a distant dream – more like a really close certainty.

Now, here we are – about to leap again with the wings you've provided.

*The Closet* will house our full clothing and fashion accessory department along with the occasional fine collectible. We will continue to price our items fairly *and* you will have the opportunity to try on and purchase many of the items we currently place on eBay! It will be a win/win situation for all involved (well, some eBay buyers may be disappointed) and most importantly, will add to our ability to help abused and homeless pets in our community.

We didn't get here alone and we'll never forget that. Over the past few years especially, we have been exceptionally blessed in having Tom Wheeler as our landlord. From the first day he has been supportive of our needs as renters and our cause as a charity. Thank you Tom!

We also send a huge shout-out to those of you who have donated so many amazing treasures! Most resale stores are inundated with some very questionable donations; stained, torn, burned, folded, spindled and mutilated items that feed the dumpster or require an extra pick-up from the garbage company. We've rarely had that experience and I know our dumpster is a disappointment to divers (I know this because one once told me our bin wasn't worth the trouble – he was rather put out about it). The donations we've received have always been more than we could expect and obviously from the heart. Thank you donors! Finally, we would like to thank our customers. You have a choice on where to spend your hard-earned funds and we appreciate your business. You have been charming, funny, encouraging, generous and a blessing to our cause. In a business that counts difficult characters by the gross and hopes for one or two kind words a day for our hard work, we count thousands of friends and supporters who continue to lift us up. Thank you all so much!



Did You Know...  
**JUNE IS ADOPT A CAT MONTH!**

**June 1** Hurricane Season begins!  
**June 4** Hug Your Cat Day.  
**June 18** Father's Day  
**June 21** Summer Solstice  
**June 24** Take Your Dog to Work

# June is ADOPT



Moxie

## A CAT



Freya



Taylor

# MONTH!

Nassau Humane Society has the cats shown above and several others who would love to be purrsonal lap warmers, red-dot-chasers, hunters of fuzzy slippers and all around companions. Go visit our beautiful new shelter and cattery to visit and maybe, just maybe, find that special someone to love for a lifetime!

**Nassau Humane Society**  
639 Airport Road, Fernandina Beach  
904.321.1647



**Father's Day** lands on the 18<sup>th</sup> this month. Time to let Dad know you appreciate the way he was there for walks in the park, all the great toys, the sympathy when you came home from the vet *that day*, and all the great nights just snuggling and feeling special.

And let us not forget the dads of human children, too! Thanks Dad for bringing pets into our lives, teaching us responsibility is best served with love and not using the duct tape like you wanted to the day we discovered caffeine and sugar are an *awesome* combination. Have a wonderful Father's Day on your special day and every day before and after!



### NASSAU HUMANE SOCIETY MISSION

Nassau Humane Society is dedicated to the humane treatment of all animals; to alleviate their suffering and neglect, to support the human-animal bond, and to foster an environment in which people respect all living creatures. We will pursue workable solutions to the most urgent animal welfare needs of our community, which are animal overpopulation and homeless pets. Our solutions will emphasize the mutual benefit of bringing pets and people together. We will provide rescue and control as a lifeline to animals in need and for the necessary protection of our community. We will encourage and provide for pet adoption, animal-assisted therapy, pet care education, outreach spay and neuter program and other welfare efforts, all in support of our comprehensive community service obligation.

### NHS Second Chance Store Hours



Monday thru Saturday – 9:30 until 5pm  
1002 S. 14<sup>th</sup> St, 8 Flags Center  
Near the Theatre

### Shelter Adoption Hours



Tuesday through Friday - 11:30 am - 6:00 pm  
Saturday - 11:00 am until 4:00 pm  
Sunday - 11:00 AM until 3:00 PM  
639 Airport Road , Fernandina Beach  
904.321.1647

### Dog Park Hours



Spring/Summer  
Closed Tuesday  
9-7 Monday-Friday  
9-5 Saturday & Sunday



8 Flags Shopping Center  
1002 South 14th Street  
Fernandina Beach, FL 32034  
Phone 904.321.0022  
[www.nassauhumanesociety.com](http://www.nassauhumanesociety.com)

**NHS Second Chance is the primary source of funding for Nassau Humane Society.**

**We are currently looking for volunteers in the following areas:**

**\*Processing** (cleaning, testing, pricing under supervision and stocking our store)

**\*Cashiers** and Sales Floor Personnel (Customer service, register use, making change, correctly entering sales, credit card information, etc. Wrapping and bagging sold items, maintaining a clean store, and stocking merchandise.)

**\* Clothes Processing** (Hanging, steaming, Tagging, pricing under supervision, maintaining a clean and organized work space, stocking the store with priced items)

**\* Donation Pickup help** (heavy lifting, rearranging furniture, helping to load and unload our truck, Ms Kitty. This is an on-call position, so we like to have several people in our Ms Kitty kitty!)

Shifts for the Sales Floor Volunteers are 9-1 and 1-5 every day except Sunday. Volunteers schedule themselves based on the time they have available - not more than 3 shifts per week.

Processing areas are not formally scheduled and exact times can be set with the supervisors of each section.

These positions are unpaid, however, they do count as work experience and are ideal for teens (16 and older) as well as those entering the local work market. Working for a charity looks great on your resume! and good workers get a written letter of recommendation!

Most of our Volunteers are retired from an assortment of careers and we are thrilled to have their varied experiences enhance our endeavor.

Sense of humor required, must play well with others & love animals!

Come in for an application, or reply here to have the file sent to you!

Nassau Humane Society is a 501(c)3 Charity, a No-Kill Shelter and a really pawsome place to meet a new friend for life! Job Location: Fernandina Beach, FL.

#### NHS Second Chance Resale Store

Your Donations Provide Pet Habitations!  
Call for free pick up!  
904.321.0022 or email: [nhs\\_second\\_chance@outlook.com](mailto:nhs_second_chance@outlook.com)