Operating Status

The AWLA is currently open BY APPOINTMENT ONLY for virtual and in-person adoption meetings, found animals, surrenders and Pet Pantry pick-ups. For more information, click HERE.
The AWLA is now open for adoptions in person as well as virtually **BY APPOINTMENT ONLY**.

*A Special Message from AWLA*

**National Preparedness Month**
September is

MEET SHNOOKUMS

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Always ready with a friendly "meow"

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Milo

Adopt

Visit with our pets ready for adoption. Come meet your perfect match today!

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Every little bit counts!
Your generous donation helps animals most in need.

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Foster

Fostering is an important part of the adoption process.
You can help.

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Volunteer

You can help animals that we would otherwise not be able to facilitate.

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Are you looking for a new companion?

View our featured pets and all our animals ready for adoption!
Robin

Robin doesn’t need a Batman. She’s her own superhero thank you very much! Want to see her take down the...
Maya

Maya is all smiles, all the time, and she can’t wait to show you!
Doll

Doll is a curious, friendly bunny who is happy hanging out on your lap and enjoys pets!
Sadie Kay

Sadie Kay is a sweet dog that can relax and also be playful. She has bursts of energy when she...

View all our adorable pets >>

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September 16, 2020

**Remembering a Friend to Wildlife**

Over the past decade, one of Virginia wildlife’s greatest resources was Dogue Hollow Wildlife Sanctuary, a nonprofit in Lorton dedicated...

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**REPOST: Emergency Preparedness for Your Pets**

September is Emergency Preparedness Month, and with storm season here and winter right around the corner, be sure to take...

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Summer Campers Still Helping Animals During Pandemic

For over a decade, students in northern Virginia have been coming to the Animal Welfare League of Alexandria each summer...

Next Event

1. AWLA Virtual “Pup” Quiz
   September 25 @ 6:30 pm - 7:30 pm
   With the help of some adorable adoptables, we will offer 5 rounds of animal answers in a pub quiz-style format. Win AWLA-branded prizes ...

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Animal of the Month

September: Charlie |
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New on Facebook
The Animal Welfare League of Alexandria is an independent, local, 501(c)(3) non-profit organization. Operating the Vola Lawson Animal Shelter, an open-admission facility and Alexandria’s only animal shelter, the League touches the lives of more than 6000 animals every year, including strays, lost pets, local wildlife, rescue animals, and animals surrendered by their owners. The AWLA is committed to addressing animal homelessness, promoting animal welfare, and serving as an educational resource for the community. More information is at www.AlexandriaAnimals.org

Guidelines for Use of This Facebook Page

Thank you so much for your interest in and support of the Animal Welfare League of Alexandria! We’re so excited to share the stories of Alexandria’s animals, as well as our staff, volunteers and community.

Commenting Policy: AWLA reserves the right to delete all comments that contain
• Offensive language;
• Personal attacks;
• Inappropriate comments or posts about race, nationality, gender, orientation or religion;
• Spam or certain links to other sites, including content of a sales-oriented nature. Repeat offenders may be banned or posts may be blocked from the AWLA Facebook page.

Animal Welfare League of Alexandria Saturday, September 19th, 2020 at 8:15pm

Adoptable Ally caught mid-biscuit as she was rolling over to show her belly, purring the whole time. She’s as sweet as can be and can’t wait to show you, so schedule an appointment to meet her at AlexandriaAnimals.org/Adopt-By-Appointment.
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2020 Alexandria Animal of the Year

Abby was voted the 2020 Alexandria Animal of the Year through our AWLA photo calendar contest.

If your pet would like to become our next Alexandria Animal of the Year, our calendar 2020 calendar contest is taking place right now. Read more at AlexandriaAnimals.org/Calendar.
Animal Champions and Guardians

Vola Lawson Animal Advocates are recognized individuals and businesses who give support at the highest levels. This program includes several levels of recognition for monetary donations and volunteer hours as well as in-kind donations made fiscally. Our 2019 Champions and Guardians contributed $10,000 or more of financial or in-kind support, or 1,000 volunteer hours. These generous contributors include The Anne Cabaniss Trust; Kirk Fedder; Rosemary Harris; H.N. (Jay) Hoffman III & Arline Hoffman; Rosemary Hayes Jones & Stan Jones; Robert & Maureen Rehg; Ann Reid; and the Estates of Reid & Molly Adler; William George Barrick; Norman F. & Katherine Carlene Garrigus; Amy Sui Ling Lee; and Donald & Rosemary Werner, along with
Protecting Our Community During COVID-19!

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