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## NEWS RELEASE

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### FREE ADOPTIONS FOR INDEPENDENCE WEEK AT WILLIAMSON COUNTY REGIONAL ANIMAL SHELTER

July 1, 2013 (Williamson County, TX) Williamson County Regional Animal Shelter (WCRAS) is the Land of the Free Adoptions. WCRAS invites the public to their free adoption event this week from Monday, July 1, through Sunday, July 7. All pets will be available for a free adoption (donations graciously accepted). The shelter encourages the community to give a special pet their freedom and bring home your new firecracker of a best friend.

WCRAS is currently at capacity and is preparing for many lost and scared animals they will be receiving during this holiday week. Many dogs escape their yards after being frightened by fireworks and end up at the shelter. Last year, 40 animals arrived at the shelter – a number the shelter does not currently have capacity for.

The community can help WCRAS save lives and keep their NO-KILL rating this month by updating their pet information and encouraging others to adopt new members into their families. Cheryl Schneider, Williamson County Animal Services Director, encourages pet parents to update their information on tags and microchips. "This time of year is a reminder to update the owner's information on your pet's tags and to make sure your pet's microchip is also registered and updated. These simple steps are life saving."

The Williamson County Regional Animal Shelter will be open regular hours this week and extend their hours for the 4<sup>th</sup> of July to 11 a.m. to 6 p.m. All pets will be free to good homes.

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#### About Williamson County Regional Animal Shelter:

The Williamson County Regional Animal Shelter is a collaborative effort between Williamson County and the cities of Round Rock, Cedar Park, Leander, and Hutto. It provides a safe environment for the lost, abandoned, and homeless animals of these jurisdictions. Our vision is to save every healthy and behaviorally sound companion animal and to place each animal in a loving home.

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Open Monday - Friday from 12:00 – 6:00 p.m.

Saturday – Sunday from 11:00 – 5:00 p.m.

