

MetroDenverShelter
A N I T T E

saving pets together

Why adopt a homeless pet?

- Pet overpopulation in Colorado is a huge problem. Adopting a homeless pet will help **save a life**.
- Animal shelters have a **wide variety of pets**: cats, dogs, rabbits, guinea pigs and others; young, middle-aged and mature; large and small; active and mellow.
- Rescue groups have **specific breeds** of dogs and cats available through a network of foster homes.
- Many shelters and rescue groups screen animals for sound health and temperament and keep histories on the strays and relinquished pets in their care—a big help in making **appropriate placements**.
- Homeless pets are often **housetrained and well behaved**, all are eager for love in lifelong homes.
- Some shelters and rescue groups provide **socialization and training** for pets prior to placement, as well as adoption counseling and free follow-up assistance.
- Adoption **fees often include spaying or neutering**, a microchip identification implant, and vaccinations.
- **Free post-adoption health examinations** are provided by members of the Denver Area Veterinary Medical Society.

Why spay or neuter your pet?

- By spaying/neutering, owners can help decrease the number of companion animals, especially cats, that are homeless and abandoned each year. Altered pets are also healthier and have fewer behavioral problems. For more information about spaying and neutering, including service providers, visit www.MDSAAlliance.org.

Pet Resource Guide

The Metro Denver Shelter Alliance is a coalition of more than 25 public and private shelters, rescues and other animal service providers committed to saving pets and fostering responsible pet ownership in our community.

www.MDSAAlliance.org



How to find your lost pet

1. Visit EVERY shelter. Act fast and check each shelter daily.
 - Many pets are found farther than 10 miles from where they were lost.
 - Personally look for your pet -- the description you give over the phone may not match someone else's description of your pet.
 - Leave a lost pet report and current photo at all shelters you visit.
2. Notify friends and neighbors that your pet is lost.
3. Contact veterinary practices in your area. Use their "Lost and Found" bulletin boards.
4. Check "found" ads and take out a "lost" ad in newspapers.
5. Check websites such as www.Craigslslist.org, www.DogDetective.com, and www.PetHarbor.com.
6. Post fliers in a minimum of a 3-mile radius of where you lost your pet.
7. Don't give up! Pets can be found months after they're lost.

What you can do to safeguard your pet

- Be sure your pet wears a current rabies tag, license tag and an ID tag with your address and phone numbers.
- Make certain your address and phone numbers are on file with the veterinarian who provided your pet's most recent vaccinations.
- Contact your veterinarian to get a microchip ID for your pet. Keep your contact information current with the microchip registry.
- Spay or neuter you pet! Sterilization eliminates an animal's reproductive instincts and decreases the chances of its straying from home.

For more information, visit: www.MDSAAlliance.org.

MDSA Supporting Members

Animal Assistance Foundation (AAF)
www.aafhd.org

Animal Haus
www.animalhaus.org

Colorado Association of Certified Veterinary Technicians (CACVT)
www.cacvt.com

Colorado Federation of Animal Welfares Agencies (CFAWA)
www.cfawa.org

Colorado Helping Hands Foundation
www.helpingcritters.org

Community College of Denver Veterinary Medical Technology Program
www.ccd.edu/vet

Denver Area Veterinary Medical Society (DAVMS)
www.davms.org

Downtown Animal Care Foundation
www.downtownanimalcare.info

The Feline Fix/Divine Feline – S/N
www.thefelinefix.org

PetAid Colorado – S/N
www.petaidcolorado.org



Adams County Animal Shelter - L/F, B
10705 Fulton St., Brighton, CO 80601
303.288.3294 • www.adcogov.org

All Breed Rescue Network (dogs)
303.989.7808 • www.allbreedrescuenetwork.org



Angels With Paws
2540 Youngfield St., Lakewood, CO 80215
303.274.2264 • www.angelswithpaws.net



Aurora Animal Shelter - L/F, B
15750 East 32nd Ave., Aurora, CO 80011
303.326.8280 • www.auroragov.org



Cat Care Society - L/F, S/N, B
5787 West 6th Ave., Lakewood, CO 80214
303.239.9680 • www.catcaresociety.org



Denver Animal Shelter - L/F, S/N, B
1241 W. Bayaud Avenue, Denver, CO 80223
720.337.1800 • www.denvergov.org/animalcontrol



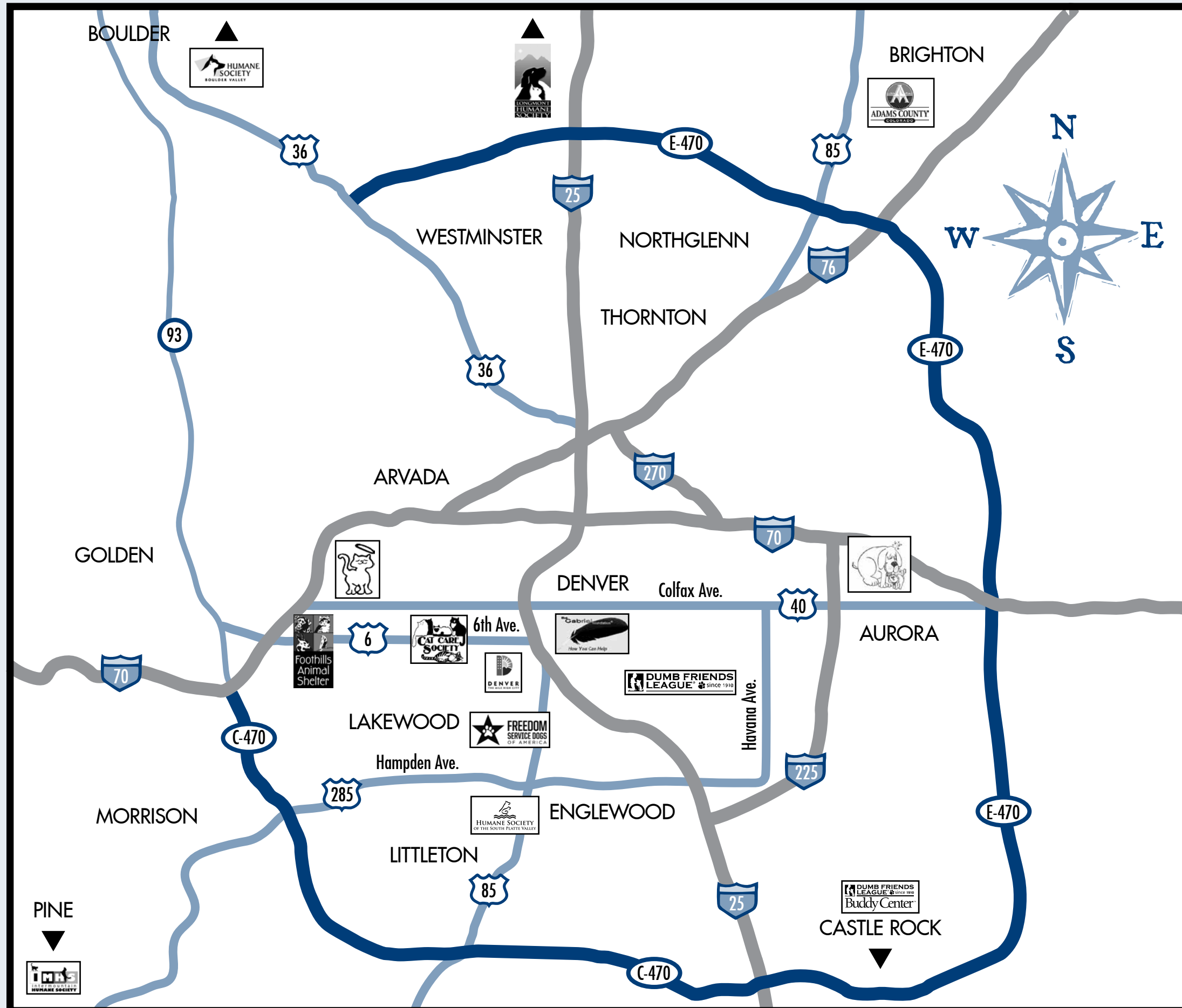
Dumb Friends League - L/F, S/N, B
Quebec Street Shelter
2080 South Quebec St., Denver, CO 80231
303.751.5772 • www.ddfl.org



Dumb Friends League Buddy Center
4556 Castleon Court, Castle Rock, CO 80109
303.751.5772 • www.ddfl.org

Please contact these Metro Denver Shelter Alliance members to adopt a pet.

Some members also provide the following services, as indicated: lost and found (L/F), spay/neuter (S/N), and behavior information/training (B).



Foothills Animal Shelter - L/F, S/N, B
580 McIntyre Street, Golden, CO 80401
303.278.7575 • www.foothillsanimalshelter.org



Freedom Service Dogs - B
2000 W. Union Ave., Englewood, CO 80110
303.922.6231 • www.freedom servicedogs.org



The Gabriel Foundation (Birds)
1025 Acoma St., Denver, CO 80204
303.639.5900 • www.thegabrielfoundation.org



Humane Society of Boulder Valley - L/F, S/N, B
2323 55th Street, Boulder, CO 80301
303.442.4030 • www.boulderhumane.org



Humane Society of the South Platte Valley - L/F, S/N, B
2129 W. Chenango Ave., Unit A, Littleton, CO 80120
303.703.2938 • www.hsspv.org



Intermountain Humane Society - L/F, S/N
67318 Hwy 285
Pine, CO 80470
303.838.2668 • www.imhs.org



Longmont Humane Society - L/F, S/N, B
9595 Nelson Rd., Longmont CO 80501
303.772.1232 • www.longmonthumane.org

Nikeno's Second Chances (dogs) - B
303.989.7775 • www.nscrescue.org

If you find a lost pet,
please take it to
the nearest shelter.

If you need to surrender
an animal, please contact
your local shelter.