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**Kern County Library & Kern County Animal Services
Launches Summer Donation Drive for the Foster Care Pet Program
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The Kern County Library (KCL) and Kern County Animal Services are working together across county departments to provide much-needed items for the Foster Care Pet Program. As a collaboration during the Kern County Library's animal-themed *Paws to Read!* Summer Reading Program, this effort aims to gather the much-needed items necessary for caring for animals that are either too young, ill, or injured to be immediately adopted. "We are excited to collaborate with the Kern County Library and are in need of supplies to support our year round, foster care program. Our foster care program enables us to save lives by placing special needs animals into individual homes on a temporary basis. We welcome and sincerely appreciate the support that helps us continue this valuable, life-saving program," says Shyanne Schull, Director of Kern County Animal Services.

With donations, the community can help give these animals a second chance by providing materials that offer temporary care and make an impact in an animal's life. Please look for the yellow boxes countywide at 25 library locations and donate this June & July. In August, the Kern County Library will collect all donated items and drop them off with the Kern County Animal Services Department.

Items accepted include:

- Kitten & Puppy Nursing Bottles
- Wet Dog & Cat Food
- Kitten & Puppy Dry Food
- Kitten & Puppy Milk Replacer Formula
- Small Pet Carriers
- Puppy Pee Pads
- Disposable Litter Trays



Interested in become a foster pet parent? Call 661.868.7143 or visit www.co.kern.ca.us/acd

To learn more about the Summer Reading Program, call Andie Apple at 661.868.0723 or visit kerncountylibrary.org

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