PET PROGRAM CONSENT & AGREEMENT

P.E.T. PROGRAM CONSENT & RELEASE FROM LIABILITY By signing below, I agree to allow my pet(s) to actively participate in (GCSCC) Guernsey County Senior Citizens Center, Inc. Pets Enjoy Treats (P.E.T.) program and authorize delivery personnel to feed my pet(s). I understand that participation in this program is strictly voluntary and should I wish to discontinue my pet's participation I can do so at anytime and at my discretion. I further agree that throughout my pet's participation in the P.E.T. program that at all times I shall hold GCSCC harmless from any liability, responsibility or restitution should my pet(s') health, diet, or overall wellbeing be negatively impacted.

I agree to report any pet food problems or unexpected side effects, complaints about pet treats, or to discontinue my pet's participation in the Guernsey County Senior Citizens Center's P.E.T. program, by reporting & contacting Hollia Husk, Nutrition Department Manager by calling (740) 439-5717 or toll-free at 1-866-534-2349.

PLEASE LIST HOUSEHOLD PET COUNT:



Meals on Wheels Guernsey County Guernsey County Senior Citizens Center, Inc. 1022 Carlisle Avenue Cambridge, Ohio 43725





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How the P.E.T. Program will work is Guernsey County Senior Citizens Center, Inc. will provide healthy, nutritious, high ranked/recommended pet treats for both cats and dogs when a Meals on Wheels clients' meal is delivered.

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been identified by our program assessors who complete an in-home client assessment as a pet owner will automatically be eligible and have the option/choice for their pet(s) to receive a daily pet treat, Monday-Friday, when their own home delivered meal is delivered.

- Home Delivered Meal Delivery personnel will be supplied with a supply of cat & dog treats to disperse and serve to their client's pets each weekday. All treats will be purchased in bulk and individually bagged and personably delivered by two (1-2) treats per bag per client pet per day, not to exceed three (3) pets per client home.
- Home Delivered Meal Delivery personnel will ask each client if they wish to enroll their pet(s) to participate in the P.E.T. program. Clients must acknowledge and sign a consent form granting permission for their pet(s) to participate and receive treats.

To register your pet(s) for the Pets Enjoy Treats (PET) Program provided by Meals on Wheels Guernsey County, please call (740) 439-5717 today!

• Additional authorizations and clarifications will be obtained from each client for each respective pet in an effort to avoid over feeding pets; treating pets with special diets and/or food item restrictions; or causing behavioral reward for bad pet behaviors.

• One treat will be provided to each pet each week day by the Home Delivered Meal Delivery Person delivering the human meal and the remaining second treat will be left behind in clients' home so that they can select and choose when to reward their pet(s) with a treat. This method is designed to encourage a good safe rapport between our Home Delivered Meal Delivery Personnel and the pet(s); to avoid painful dog/cat bites; reward and reinforce pet (s) exemplifying good behaviors; and more importantly condition and train the pets to "look forward and welcome" the respected delivery person and the treats they receive.

Our Pets Enjoy Treats (PET) Program is funded thanks to a Meals on Wheels Loves Pets grant award from Meals on Wheels America



Pets Enjoy Treats Program Facts:

- Many human Home Delivered Meal Clients with pets either cannot afford to purchase healthy and nutritious snacks for their pets and live on limited incomes yet they often share their human foods with their pets. "Human foods should not be used as treats or snacks for pets as they are typically high in calories and fat which contribute to pet obesity or even pancreatitis, which is a life-threatening pet disease".
- Unhealthy pets lead to more frequent visits to the Veterinarian and additional costs and expenses, which many senior citizens living on very fixed & limited monthly incomes cannot afford. This can also lead to seniors foregoing taking their own medications so they can afford to provide their companion pet with the required medications that they need.
- Feeding people food to pets can even lead to frequent begging, a behavior that quickly becomes tiresome for many seniors citizens and pet owners.
- Home Delivered Meals delivery personnel will provide treats to the pets of their Meals on Wheels clients to encourage "good pet" behaviors and pet-relations, which may also prevent dog bites among delivery personnel.