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Guidelines for Receiving Pet Food Assistance

The Friendship Pet Food Pantry (PFP) provides free, nutritious pet food to Chicago residents in need of temporary assistance to care for their pets. If you can provide for your pets, please leave this food for others who need support.

- ✓ PFP provides temporary assistance to individual pet owners. We do not provide food to shelters, breeders, or to feed feral animals. Pet food and other supplies are not available for resale.
- ✓ Only one person per household may apply for pet food assistance.
- ✓ Patrons agree to treat their pets humanely.
- ✓ The amount of pet food and supplies provided is based on the number of your pet(s) *as well as the availability of food and supplies*. We cannot always guarantee cat litter, treats, toys, etc.
- ✓ We typically limit food to four pets per household. We will most likely not be able to provide enough food to feed your pet(s) until the next distribution date.
- ✓ Food is donated by companies, local businesses, and individuals. We cannot guarantee the availability of the specific brand or type of food your pet might need.
- ✓ Occasionally, food may be near/past the expiration date, or in opened or secondary containers (such as plastic bags). This food is still suitable for consumption, to the best of our knowledge.
- ✓ We review pet food recalls and notify patrons whenever possible. For more information, visit: <http://www.fda.gov/AnimalVeterinary/SafetyHealth/RecallsWithdrawals/default.htm>
- ✓ PFP does not provide medical or shelter assistance. However, we will do our best to refer you to organizations that can help with veterinary needs or re-homing, if needed.
- ✓ Please respect The Friendship Center space and the volunteers and staff providing assistance.