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BISSELL Pet Foundation Sponsors Nationwide Empty the Shelters Event to Save Lives

Over 100 shelters in the U.S. & Canada will offer \$25 pet adoptions during the 'Empty the Shelters' event on May 4

Glynn County, GA April 18, 2019 — Pet lovers in Glynn County will have the opportunity to adopt a pet for \$25 with BISSELL Pet Foundation sponsoring the remaining cost on Saturday, May 4. To encourage adoption and relieve overcrowded shelters, the Michigan-based nonprofit will celebrate National Pet Month with its first *Empty the Shelters* event of 2019 at 110 participating shelters in 20 states and in Vaudreuil-Dorion, Canada. Since the program began in 2017, nearly 20,000 pets have found their forever homes through 10 *Empty the Shelters* events.

“Shelters are more crowded than ever, and we have to help them,” said Cathy Bissell, Founder of BISSELL Pet Foundation. “*Empty the Shelters* brings awareness for adoption and makes people consider bringing a pet into their home, whether it’s their first pet or an addition to their pack. It’s been an extremely successful program to save lives and we hope this event will help thousands of pets get the second chance they deserve.”

All adoptable pets available during *Empty the Shelters* will be microchipped and spayed/neutered. BPF now requires that all pets’ microchips must be registered to the adopters before they leave the event to increase the chance of pets reuniting with their owners, if lost. A microchip registration fee and license fee will apply—costs may vary by location.

Glynn County Animal Control is participating in this event. To see a list of all participating locations, hours of operation, adoption requirements and available pets, please visit www.bissellpetfoundation.org/ETS.

BPF has impacted over 180,000 pets through grant funding for adoption, spay/neuter, microchipping and foster care since inception in 2011.

Please be reminded that adopting a pet is a long-term commitment. If you’re not able to adopt, please consider supporting BISSELL Pet Foundation’s lifesaving work at bissellpetfoundation.org/donate.

About [BISSELL Pet Foundation](http://bissellpetfoundation.org):

BISSELL Pet Foundation is a charitable 501(c)(3) nonprofit organization with a mission to help reduce the number of animals in shelters through pet adoption, spay/neuter programs, microchipping and foster care. Founded in 2011 by Cathy Bissell, BPF is an extension of her long-standing love for animals and commitment to their welfare. The foundation is supported by generous donors and BISSELL Homecare, Inc. Up to \$10 for every pet product purchased helps fund the foundation’s mission.

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