

# Summary of Education Presentations 2020

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The following is a summary of education presentations available. Each presentation will begin with an age-appropriate Introduction to Maui Humane Society and conclude with a question and answer session so that each group has the opportunity to have a clear understanding of Maui Humane Society and the services our organization offers to the community. In addition to the presentations listed, with advanced notice, a custom presentation on a specific topic of interest may be possible.

## For K- 2<sup>nd</sup> Grade

### Pet Story Time

#### **May I Pet Your Dog?:**

Story time revolves around the book *“May I Pet Your Dog?”* Different real life situations will be addressed in an age appropriate manner. Students will then practice how to approach a dog safely using a stuffed dog model. A take-home coloring sheet with pertinent information on the back for parents is included.

#### **Listen to the Animals: A Lesson in Pet Safety**

Story time revolves around the book *“Tails Are Not for Pulling”*. This unit focuses on proper pet handling with focus on the unique needs of cats, dogs and pocket pets. We emphasize the importance of respecting an animal’s space and allowing them to feel safe around us. A take-home coloring sheet with pertinent information on the back for parents is included.

### Power Point Presentations

#### **“What Pets Need”: The Basic Needs of Domestic Animals**

This unit covers the basic needs of food, water, shelter, exercise and love in an age-appropriate manner and provides each child with a take-home coloring sheet that has more detailed information about basic pet needs on the back for parents.

#### **Exploring the Human/ Animal Bond**

This unit presents examples, at an age appropriate level, of what animals provide to the human experience: companionship, friendship and love. Students are provided with an activity sheet with information on the back for parents outlining the benefits of children interacting with pets.

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## For 3<sup>rd</sup> – 5<sup>th</sup> Grade

### **Kindness, Care, Compassion and Respect**

This power point presentation teaches ways we can show kindness, care, compassion and respect through responsible pet ownership. It is meant to serve as a more thorough lesson about the Maui Humane Society and its mission statement. It examines how our programs support our mission.

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### **Pet Safety**

This trio of power point presentations focuses how to safely behave around dogs and cats. This presentation is supplemented with practice how to approach a dog and cat safely using stuffed animal models. Each student will be provided with an age-appropriate take-home sheet that outlines proper techniques for handling dogs, cats and pocket pets.

### **Pet Ownership – Responsibilities and Rewards**

This unit covers the process of choosing a pet that meets your family's needs and discusses the many responsibilities associated with pet ownership in an age-appropriate manner.

### **Careers in Animal Care**

This unit provides an overview of different careers in animal care, including veterinary medicine, health care, behavior, commerce, conservation, protective services and law enforcement.

### **Service vs Therapy Animals**

This confusing topic helps to discern the differences and similarities between and among animals that benefit humans on a daily basis. A graphic summarizing the differences will be distributed to the students.

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## For 6<sup>th</sup> – 8<sup>th</sup> Grade

### **Pet Overpopulation: Symptoms and Solutions**

This unit discusses how pet overpopulation is a major issue in animal welfare, as well as the role of euthanasia as a symptom of the problem, not a solution. The lesson reinforces spay/neuter as a preventative solution to overpopulation. The group is given information regarding what they can do to help control the pet overpopulation problem. This unit is supplemented by handouts on spay/neuter.

### **Animal Advocacy: What You Can Do to Help**

This unit discusses the role of animal welfare advocates on an individual, local, national and international level . With time permitting, a question and answer period will follow regarding what can be done to become an animal welfare advocate

### **Dog Aggression – Some Facts**

This unit defines aggressive behavior in dogs. It explores the facts about dog aggression, it's causes, propagation and misuse. Focus will be on how to behave when confronted with an aggressive dog, legality and morality of propagating aggressive dogs and animal abuse.

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### **MHS – Our Stats and What we do.**

This unit is intended to function as an informational platform to inform the community about the Maui Humane Society and what it means to be an open-admission shelter. We will provide facts and figures associated with our shelter, explaining our role as Maui's only open-admission shelter. How our mission is to treat Maui's animals with compassion and dignity.

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#### **The Feral Cat Overpopulation: Real Problems, Real Solutions**

This unit provides an overview of what defines a 'feral cat', and why their overpopulation presents a threat to Maui's ecosystem and the health of our community and pets. We discuss various factors that contribute to, hinder or alleviate Maui's 'feral cat issue' and provide information about community efforts to humanely resolve issues.

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### **Breaking the Cycle of Abuse: The Link Between Animal Cruelty and Domestic Violence**

This unit begins by drawing a distinction between unintentional neglect and intentional cruelty, and explores the link between animal cruelty and domestic violence. This lesson is supplemented by the video “Patterns of Abuse: Exploding the Cycle”. Each group member is provided with a copy of the booklet “Understanding Animal Cruelty” and an information handout on Regulations and Laws, including how to report incidences of intentional cruelty.

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