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**November is Adopt a Senior Pet Month**

Fort Myers, FL, Oct. 24, 2016 – November is Adopt a Senior Pet Month and Lee County Domestic Animal Services can help anyone considering a new friend to adopt an older cat or dog.

At Animal Services, senior pets are just six years or older and, during November, can be adopted for only \$10. As always, senior citizens may adopt senior pets free of charge.

While kittens and puppies are adorable, older pets make loving and loyal companions too. Plus, adopting an older animal companion comes with some definite perks. Adult pets don't require as much supervision as puppies and kittens and many are already housetrained. Since senior pets are fully grown, personality and grooming requirements are established. Having more information takes much of the guesswork out of selecting the right pet.

The adoption package valued at \$500 includes spay/neuter surgery, age-appropriate vaccinations, Lee County Pet License, Microchip ID, de-worming, heartworm test for dogs and feline aids and leukemia test for cats, Pet Behavior Helpline and a 10-day pet health guarantee.

Pets available for adoption may be viewed online, and adopters can submit an application online as well. The website updates hourly. Volunteers and staff will be available to help individuals and families select the pet that best suits their family.

Adoption hours are 10:30 a.m. to 3:30 p.m. Monday through Saturday at the shelter, 5600 Banner Drive, Fort Myers, next to the Lee County Sheriff's Office off Six Mile Cypress Parkway.