

How to Become a Board Member of the Iowa County Humane Society

Becoming a member of the ICHS Board of Directors is your ticket to helping shape the future for the homeless and unwanted animals that come to us for shelter and care. The responsibilities are great but the satisfaction is second to none! Here are the steps involved in starting down the path towards creating a more humane world for animals and the people who care for them:

Qualifications:

- You must be an **active member** in good standing. An active member is one who:
 - a. has a current paid membership in ICHS
 - b. is not employed or receiving payment for services from a humane society
 - c. does not derive their living or a significant income from the commercial exploitation of animals
 - d. has not been convicted of cruelty or neglect to animals
 - e. has not engaged in blood sports involving animals
 - f. has been a paid ICHS member for a least one year
 - g. has participated as a volunteer in ICHS activities in some capacity for at least one year
 - h. has attended a minimum of two (2) board meetings per year
 - i. has been recommended by two (2) ICHS board members or directors

There are two ways to become a Board Member of ICHS:

- You may be appointed by the Board to fill a mid-term vacancy until the expiration of that term.
- You may be nominated for an upcoming vacancy by the ICHS nominating committee or by a current ICHS member in good standing and be voted into office at the annual membership meeting.

Complete information regarding the specific timelines for nominations are listed in the ICHS By-Laws on our website www.ichs.net or are available from the ICHS Board Secretary.

ICHS Board members serve for terms of three (3) years and are eligible for more than one term.