

Shelter Playgroup Alliance Program Comparison



Program	Description	Availability	Audience	Cost	Duration	Delivery
CORE on-line	In-depth canine and feline behavior, enrichment, training, and behavior modification.	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Two cohorts per year: Spring (February) and Winter (September) 75 spaces per cohort Limit of 10 seats per shelter Approval based on a specific success profile and rigorous rubric 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Behavior team Behavior volunteers Individuals involved in training, evaluation, and behavior modification 	No cost (donation recommended)	16 weeks	Distance learning via LMS Bi-weekly live zoom sessions
Application process:		Visit https://www.shelterdogplay.org/core-on-line for overview video and access application.				
CORE Hybrid	In-depth canine and feline behavior, enrichment, training and behavior modification and active, hands-on workshop on defensive handling, behavior modification, and playgroups.	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Coordinated for mutually available dates for on-line and in-person dates 	All shelter staff and volunteers	Cost depends on location (typically between \$10,000 - \$15,000)	16-20 weeks (on-line) 3 days (in-person)	Hybrid: in-person and virtual
Coordination process:		Contact Mara Velez at mara@shelterdogplay.org to set-up a zoom call to discuss timing and costs.				
CARS	Canine risk assessment for shelters for pathway and outcomes decisions.	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Two cohorts per year: Spring (February) and Winter (September) Limited to 40 spaces per cohort 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Leadership team Behavior team Operations team Veterinary leadership team Individuals involved in outcomes 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> \$250 for individuals \$525 for groups of three \$1,500 for groups of 10 	16 weeks	Distance learning via LMS Bi-weekly live zoom sessions
Registration process:		Register via this link: https://www.shelterdogplay.org/workshop-registration				
CARS on-site	On-site support implementing the CARS framework	Shelters should plan on scheduling at least 4 months in advance of a desired time frame	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Leadership team Behavior team Operations team Veterinary team 	Cost depends on location (typically between \$7,000 - \$10,000)	3-4 days	In-person
Coordination process:		Contact Mara Velez at mara@shelterdogplay.org to set-up a zoom call to discuss timing and costs.				
Safe Handling	Improve safe handling, defensive handling, low stress handling and behavior knowledge for all shelter staff and volunteers.	Shelters should plan on scheduling at least 4 months in advance of a desired time frame	All shelter staff and volunteers	Variable depending on location and number of days (typically between \$5,000 - \$7,000)	12 weeks virtual; 1 day in-person	Hybrid: in-person and virtual
Workshop request process		Contact Mara Velez at mara@shelterdogplay.org to set-up a zoom call to discuss timing and costs.				
BEAR	Learn to perform the key tasks of a shelter behavior professional including training and behavior modification for multiple species; creating behavior-related programs; and incorporating behavior and training into all aspects of sheltering.	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Two cohorts per year: Spring (February) and Winter (September) 	Anyone interested in becoming a shelter behavior professional	Phase I: \$1,700 Phase II: \$1,700 Phase III: \$1,000	12 months	Hybrid: in-person and virtual
Registration process		Register via this link: https://www.schumane.org/behavior-and-training/resources/bear-academy.html				