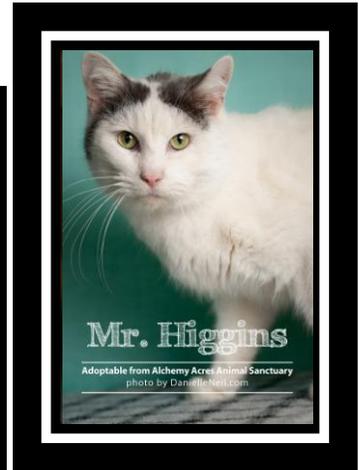
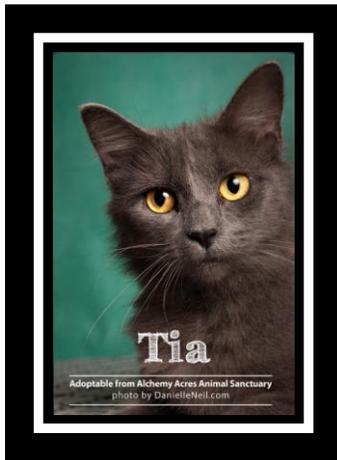


# A Day at Alchemy



*Every day at Alchemy meets team members with the same monotonous and monumental tasks with the same wonderful rewards. Walk with us through a typical day at Alchemy Acres.*

**6:00-7:00a** The first round of feeding/nursing neonate and unweaned animals is completed, this task will take place four-five times throughout the day.

**7:00-9:00a** Alchemy team members arrive, go over the plan for the day and print prevention, walking, and grooming schedules. Office critters (cats/kittens, zebra finches, ferret, guinea pig, lizards, and other little critters) are taken care of. Camp's is off and running by Steve.



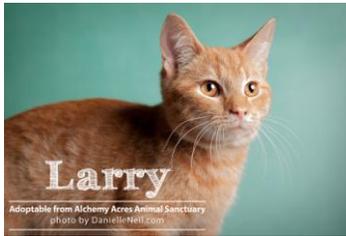
**8:00-10:30a** Vet runs are made for appointments, blood tests, fecal samples or drop offs for surgery. Other errands are run for feed/supply pick-up etc.

**8:00-5:00p** Office staff of two handle an average of 45-65 phone calls per day. An estimate of 75% are people with an animal(s) to surrender. In addition to 3-6 scheduled appointments and 3-7 walk-ins. Applications must be called in and appointment times must be arranged for adoptions/viewings.

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**9:00-11:00a** The team makes the first round of meds/vitamins and then begins to feed and water dogs. This includes emptying water dishes, cleaning them, hauling water buckets, and filling dishes, replacing dirty bowls, washing dishes. Other volunteers/community service workers arrive to walk dogs or do miscellaneous jobs. Each person needs to be supervised and signed off on. Babies are fed a second time.

**12:00-4:00p** The not so fun chores of cleaning, sweeping, and sanitizing commences. Other volunteers come and go to walk dogs or play with kittens. Babies are fed a third time. Sometimes Education events for kids are given during this time frame. There is also day to day education for new owners, phone callers, or surrenders.



**Anytime: am/pm** Wildlife calls are taken, and either deferred to someone closer or more qualified or taken in to the sanctuary. The wildlife entering may need transferred to another rehabilitator or vet clinic immediately or they may need cared for, for the next 16 weeks.

**4:00-8:00p** Dinner time!!! Second food rounds are underway. Also any grooming, individual special needs per animal, and second rounds of medications/vitamins are given. More cleaning and miscellaneous tasks are being done. We have many dogs that have to be walked and played with several times a day as they are housebroken and/or need the socialization for behavioral problems. Only qualified volunteers can work with the animals having behavioral issues (volunteers having completed over 35 hours of service in the last 6 months showing acceptable handling skills). Vaccines, dewormers, heartworm/flea preventions must also be updated during the day too. Babies are fed a fourth time.

**8:00-10:00p** Paperwork... Paperwork... Kennel Maintenance... Preparation for the next day's events or the weekend's fundraisers. Anything else needing done. Babies are fed a fifth time between 11:00p-12:00a.

**Questions??**  
**Volunteers??**  
**Donations??**

*Please keep in mind that a schedule very close to this one occurs every day.*

