



PET COALITION
of Ellis County

The Pet Coalition of Ellis County Contact Info

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Media Topics: Animal welfare partnerships, Stray to Stay, rescue and shelter collaboration, animal welfare best practices, fundraising, and community initiatives.

Online Resources

Website: <https://petcoalitionec.org>

Media & Press: <https://petcoalitionec.org/pcec-media-kit>

Facebook: <https://www.facebook.com/profile.php?id=61566893849711>

About the Pet Coalition

The Pet Coalition of Ellis County is creating a critical and more compassionate safety net for pets and the people who care for them in a community with limited animal welfare infrastructure. Formed in October 2024, the Coalition works collaboratively with shelters, rescues, animal welfare partners, businesses, community leaders, volunteers, and citizens to connect resources, strengthen existing organizations, and prevent animals from entering crisis whenever possible.

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Connecting People. Saving Pets. Strengthening Our Community.

LEADERSHIP & SPOKESPEOPLE

Nicole Vonderheide

Chairperson & Co-Founder

Nicole Vonderheide is a co-founder of the Pet Coalition of Ellis County and serves as Chairperson. Her passion is building strong animal welfare partnerships throughout Texas and connecting with organizations in states with more developed animal welfare systems.

A relentless advocate for animals, Nicole works closely with animal welfare partners and is often on the front lines of the Coalition's initiatives. She is the driving force behind the Coalition's **Stray to Stay** program, created to help vulnerable animals move from the streets toward safety, stability, and ultimately a permanent home. Nicole also plays an active role in fundraising and developing the Animal partnerships that make the Coalition's work possible.

Media Topics:

- Animal welfare partnerships
- This Stray can Stay program
- Rescue and shelter collaboration
- Animal welfare best practices
- Fundraising and community initiatives

Johnna Wallace

Vice Chair & Treasurer | Founding Member

Johnna Wallace joined as one of the founding members of the Pet Coalition of Ellis County in October 2024, helping address the county's growing need for coordinated animal welfare resources.

Through partnerships at the business and community level, Johnna helps advance the Coalition's mission by developing business partnerships, overseeing financial matters, and leading fundraising efforts. Her work focuses on bringing the private sector and community together to strengthen the resources available to animals and the people who care for them.

Media Topics:

- Business and community partnerships
- Fundraising and philanthropy
- Private-sector involvement in animal welfare
- Community-based animal welfare solutions
- Pet Coalition initiatives
- Ellis County animal welfare