



Second Chance Canine Life Skills Training Class Series

Welcome to the Second Chance Humane Society Animal Resource Center's Life Skills program.

The goal of this program is to enhance the bond between guardians and their pets through positive based training.

We have a number of classes that fall under the Life Skill Series and class content will vary depending on the area of focus and run either 4 or 5 weeks.

All classes are held at the Second Chance Shelter located at 177 County Rd 10 Ridgway CO. 970 626 2273

This series is not just about learning "commands," the courses are also a great fun way to guardians to interact with their dogs and develop an even deeper understanding of each other. Guardians will learn how to communicate effectively with their dogs and bond with him through attention, praise, treats, and positive leadership.

To cover staff time and resources for the class, Guardians are asked to donate \$80 - \$100 dollars. Payment is needed to securing a spot in class and is non-refundable. If your pup was adopted from Second Chance, the fee is reduced to \$50.00.

Classes are held for one hour, usually on Saturdays. Please call for your class specifics.

All participating dogs must be altered (spayed or neutered) and current on Rabies and DHPV – Please bring current record to class.

We cannot accept aggressive dogs into class.

All dogs will be on leash unless otherwise instructed.

Plan for a successful class:

Please arrive at shelter 15 minutes prior to class the first day of class.

Please bring the following tools with you:

Well fitted flat collars only. No prong collars or chain choke collars.

4 or 6 foot leashes – no retractable leashes please.

A lot of soft small treats, hot dogs or other high value treats.

Positive training requires using many treats. Do not feed your dog prior to class to ensure an interest in the treats and a limited weight gain.

Walk your dog 20-30 minutes prior to class to drain excited energy.

We do need to confirm a minimum of 5 participants to hold the class.

Masks and Social Distancing will be required.