



## Columbia Second Chance

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#### What is the CSC dog wash?

Columbia Second Chance (CSC) dog washes are a summer tradition in mid-Missouri. Dog owners can have their dogs washed and groomed by CSC staff and volunteers—for a great cause. The dog washes raise money and community awareness for CSC, an organization dedicated to the rescue of homeless pets in and around Columbia.

#### What does a dog wash include?

CSC volunteers will shampoo, scrub and rinse dogs. They also will towel dry the dogs, comb them and clip nails, if the owner desires.

#### When and where are the CSC dog washes held?

Dog washes take place in the CSC parking lot at 205 E. Ash St., Columbia, on select Saturday afternoons, from 12 to 4 p.m. There are three dog washes scheduled for summer 2009: Saturday, June 13; Saturday, July 11, and Saturday, Aug. 8.

#### Who can come to the dog washes?

All dog owners are welcome at the CSC dog washes. All breeds are welcome. CSC ‘alumni’ (foster parents with current CSC dogs, or owners of dogs adopted from CSC) are particularly encouraged to attend.

#### Should I bring anything?

CSC provides all dog wash items, including shampoo, water, towels and brushes. Owners are encouraged, however, to bring towels, to ensure their dogs are properly dried.

Leashes and muzzles are not necessary, except for dogs that might bite.

#### What if my dog has recently had a Frontline or similar treatment?

As long as Frontline is applied at least 24 hours before the dog wash, the treatment should not be affected. So as not to interfere with Frontline and similar treatments, dogs with Frontline applications less than 24 hours before the dog wash should not attend the wash.

#### How much does the dog wash cost?

Dog washes are \$5 per dog, payable by cash or check. Credit cards are not accepted. Additional donations are appreciated.

#### How are proceeds and additional donations spent?

Donations may go to any number of CSC needs: food and other supplies for the animals, maintenance costs for CSC facilities, vet bills and more. As a nonprofit organization functioning on a low budget, donations are an important part of CSC’s survival.

#### What kinds of additional donations are acceptable?

In addition to the \$5 dog wash fee, patrons may choose to donate extra cash or supplies. CSC is always in need of the following supplies: cat litter, Simple Green All-Purpose Cleaner, bleach, collars and leashes, and paper towels.

#### How do I get to the dog wash location?

The location for the dog wash is 205 E. Ash St., near the intersection between Ash and Providence. It is one block west of downtown Columbia. [Click here](#) for a link to MapQuest.

#### Where can dog wash patrons park?

There are ample parking opportunities in the 205 E. Ash St. area, including the parking lot adjoining CSC.

#### Are there any special activities planned for the dog washes?

Each summer 2009 dog wash features a microchip session, which will take place inside the CSC building. The microchip session offers pet owners the opportunity to microchip their animals.

Well-known Columbia dog trainer Ann Gafke’s service dogs also often perform at the first summer dog wash. For 2009, that is on Saturday, June 13. Exact information regarding the performance will be announced in May 2009 on the CSC homepage.

#### What is a microchip session?

Microchip sessions are held in coalition with CSC dog washes. These sessions provide the opportunity for pet owners to inexpensively microchip their animals, usually dogs and cats of any age.

#### How does microchipping my pet work?

CSC staff will inject the chips on location, once owners have filled out paperwork for the microchip database. Microchips are placed in the animal’s back.

#### Why should I microchip my pet?

Microchips can help detect an animal that disappears from home. A microchipped cat or dog is easily tracked. Each microchip number is unique and corresponds to the owner’s contact information. Animal shelters check new arrivals for microchips. A cat or dog with a microchip is never euthanized, providing pet owners plenty of time to retrieve lost pets.

#### When and where are the microchip sessions held?

The 2009 microchip sessions are held on the same dates and times as the CSC dog washes, 12 to 4 p.m. on Saturday, June 13, Saturday, July 11, and Saturday, Aug. 8. While the dog washes take place in the parking lot, microchip sessions are held inside the CSC building.

#### How much does a microchip cost?

Microchips are \$25 per chip.

#### Can I volunteer to help out?

If you are interested in helping out at a CSC dog wash, visit the Web site at [www.columbia2ndchance.com](http://www.columbia2ndchance.com) for more information or e-mail [columbiasecondchance@hotmail.com](mailto:columbiasecondchance@hotmail.com).

#### Who can I contact if I have additional questions?

If you have additional questions, please send an e-mail to [columbiasecondchance@hotmail.com](mailto:columbiasecondchance@hotmail.com), or leave a message at (573) 445-5598. A CSC volunteer will get in touch with you as soon as possible.