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## **DRHS HIRES SHELTER VETERINARIAN**

**DUBUQUE, IA (July 9, 2015)** — The Dubuque Regional Humane Society (DRHS) is pleased to announce the addition of Dr. Debra Smith-Reed as the shelter’s Veterinarian.

Dr. Deb graduated from the School of Veterinary Medicine at the University of Wisconsin - Madison. She started her career as a mixed animal practitioner and then progressed to specializing in small animal care. She most recently worked at Richland Veterinary Service, LLC in Richland Center, WI and Dodge-Point Mobile Pet Vet, SC. She enjoys the variety and the continual learning experience that veterinary medicine has to offer. Over the past several years she has worked with a few shelters which stimulated an interest in shelter medicine.

“Dr. Deb comes to the DRHS with extensive experience and compassion for shelter animals,” said Maria Benham, President and CEO. Benham adds, “We are excited to have her join our team and enhance the lives of our animals with her medical expertise.”



The DRHS is a private 501(c)(3) non-profit organization serving the tri-state region since 1901. Every year, the DRHS admits nearly 4,000 cats, dogs and critters. The DRHS is committed to building life-long bonds between people and animals through adoption, humane education, community outreach and animal cruelty prevention.

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