

## The Pact Project

Reading the Pact has really made me think differently about my life. While growing up, I would complain about not getting a toy or not having things other kids did.

This story has made me appreciate my life more and has made me want to help other people. It is a very touching story, and I really feel that these three men have really touched and saved peoples' lives. They have made their neighborhood a place to learn from and make better decisions from. They struggled throughout most of their lives but are now saving people who were just like them. This story has impacted me a lot because they are so true and they want things to be different from what they experienced. They have impacted a lot of people, so I was trying to do something that would not only impact people but animals too.

For my project, I decided to volunteer my time with the local Animal Rescue Foundation. By being with these animals, I will be able to help find homes and keep them comfortable while they were there. While I was working at ARF, I got to know many different animals that were struggling and in need of love and a home. It was tough to see all these animals that were just neglected and forgotten about. I have visited the shelter about ten times in the last month, and I noticed that the same cats and dogs were still in the same cages. I have put up posters and flyers of all the animals around town so that people have at least seen them and know that they are there. While being a volunteer at ARF, I would clean the cages and bring the dogs on walks around town or to a park. When I worked with the cats, I would let them play out of their cages for about a half hour so that I could clean their cages and get them new water. The little things that I was doing helped the animals out a lot. I could tell over the period of time that I was there, that they were really growing on me. I wanted to take them all home of course and just give them a warm home to wake up to every morning. I knew that was not possible, so instead, I would just keep up my volunteering my time and hope that someone would adopt just one. Doing this project has impacted me tremendously. I have found something that I really enjoy doing and have a great passion for. I love to see the animals being

taken care of and getting their medicine when they need it. This project has made me a lot happier and less stressed; I have found something that I really enjoy doing. I think the work I have been doing for the shelter has been noticed by a lot of people, and I think that most of the ARF people have also noticed that my love for animals has grown so much over the last two months. I hope that everyone will notice that animals are in need and it is up to us to help them keep warm and safe. Little effort is needed; just love and kindness is all the animals care about. They sit in cages all day and that half hour they get to be out, means a lot to them. I definitely think that my project was worthwhile and is worth it for people to try and make an impact of their own. These animals need us just like all the kids that George, Sam and Rameck help. People need each other and count on each other to be there and help in a time a need. These animals have no one.

After reading the Pact I have been inspired to help these animals just like the three guys help everyone around them. They treat everyone fair and with respect, they tell them that they can do anything and be what they want to be. While working with these animals, I have tried to find loving homes and people who care about them, but so far it's just hard because people don't want them or can't have them. I won't give up on these animals, and I will try my hardest to find them homes. I have a positive outlook on life and I owe my thanks for that to George, Sam, and Rameck. I've learned from them, that life can be hard but it's definitely worth the struggle to succeed.