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Bristol's Parks and Recreation "Pawtraits" 2019 Pet Calendar on sale now

The City of Bristol, Tennessee is excited to announce the "Pawtraits" 2019 Pet Calendar. Just in time for last minute Christmas gifts. The inaugural calendar is available for \$5. Residents can pick up their calendar at the Slater Community Center, 325 McDowell Street, or at the City's MerchPerch located in City Hall, 801 Anderson Street.

The calendar consists of 13 photos that were selected from an array of submissions from area residents all across the city. It features the smirks and mischief of Bristol's furry friends like Lily, Muncie, Zoey, and many more. The cover of the "Pawtraits" 2019 Pet Calendar highlights Chief, a playful puppy, submitted by Brook Brooks.

"We are so excited to release the 2019 "Pawtraits" calendars from the contest. It was great to see all of the entries and the love that surrounds our pets within the City of Bristol," said April Norris, who spearheaded the contest for Bristol's Parks and Recreation Department. "There was an incredible turnout of photo submissions. It took some time to deliberate and pick each month's picture, but we finally narrowed down the field to 13 great pictures of our four-legged friends. This calendar is sure to bring joy to any animal lover."

Each picture submitted was judged by a panel of Bristol residents on originality and artistic merit. The entries that were selected for the calendar will receive a photo shoot for their pets that will be scheduled with the pet owner at a later date.

The "Pawtraits" 2019 Pet Calendar was created as part of the Dog Park Dash Grant, sponsored by The Boyd Foundation. The City of Bristol, TN participated in and received the \$25,000 grant to help fund a much needed dog park at Food City Park, 531 Oakwood Street.

For more information about the "Pawtraits" 2019 Pet Calendar, please contact April Norris with the City of Bristol, Tennessee's Parks and Recreation Department at 423-764-7900 or anorris@bristoltn.org.