



Donation Project

Thank you in advance for your time, energy and creativity. Your efforts in creating these fun dog toys will directly support Pets for Vets Washington DC Metro in their efforts to rescue area shelter animals and train them to become Companion Animals for local Veterans who are challenged with an invisible injury such as PTSD or Traumatic Brain Injury.

We encourage you to be as creative as you'd like in making these toys. Different materials or items such as tennis balls can be great variations, but please bear in mind that animal safety should be a primary consideration so don't include any items that may be harmful if chewed or swallowed.

Please contact Pets for Vets at 202-215-7027 or DC_Metro@PetsForVets.com with any questions or concerns.

Completed toys can be mailed or delivered to:
12350 Marionwood Court
Herndon, VA 20171



Directions:



For this project, the only things you need are two gently used t-shirts and a pair of scissors.

(*Note: If you have more than two tees handy, you can use more and make a super colorful version.)



Start by cutting little 2-3" wide slits at the base of your shirts. After you've cut your slits, just rip along the slit and your t-shirt will have the perfect strips of fabric for the next step. Strips will tear along the fabric's natural weave and should naturally curl into ropes for easy handling. Cut off at the neckband.



Gather your t-shirt strips and tie off one end **SECURLY** using one or more strips – these can be taken from the sleeves or neckband of the shirt. Divide your strips into thirds and braid them tightly together.



Once you've braided down to the other end, tie up the bottom and cut any straggling t-shirt strips.

Alternative ideas:



You might punch holes in a tennis ball and thread it onto the rope before tying off the ends or braid it into the rope.



Using denim or corduroy pants can make a longer braided rope.