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# 2017 ANNUAL REPORT TO COMMUNITIES



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# who we are & what we do

## our mission



The Ontario SPCA's mission is to facilitate and provide for province-wide leadership on matters relating to the prevention of cruelty to animals and the promotion of Animal Welfare.

## our vision



The vision of the Ontario SPCA is that we are seen as the recognized authority on Animal Welfare issues and making a measurable difference for animals. The Ontario SPCA is an integral part of each community, promoting mutually beneficial human-animal interactions, and is viewed as a desirable organization for volunteerism and support.

The future for Ontario that the Ontario SPCA is working to help create:

- All people in Ontario respect and appreciate animals
- Ontario has no homeless animals and no animal abuse

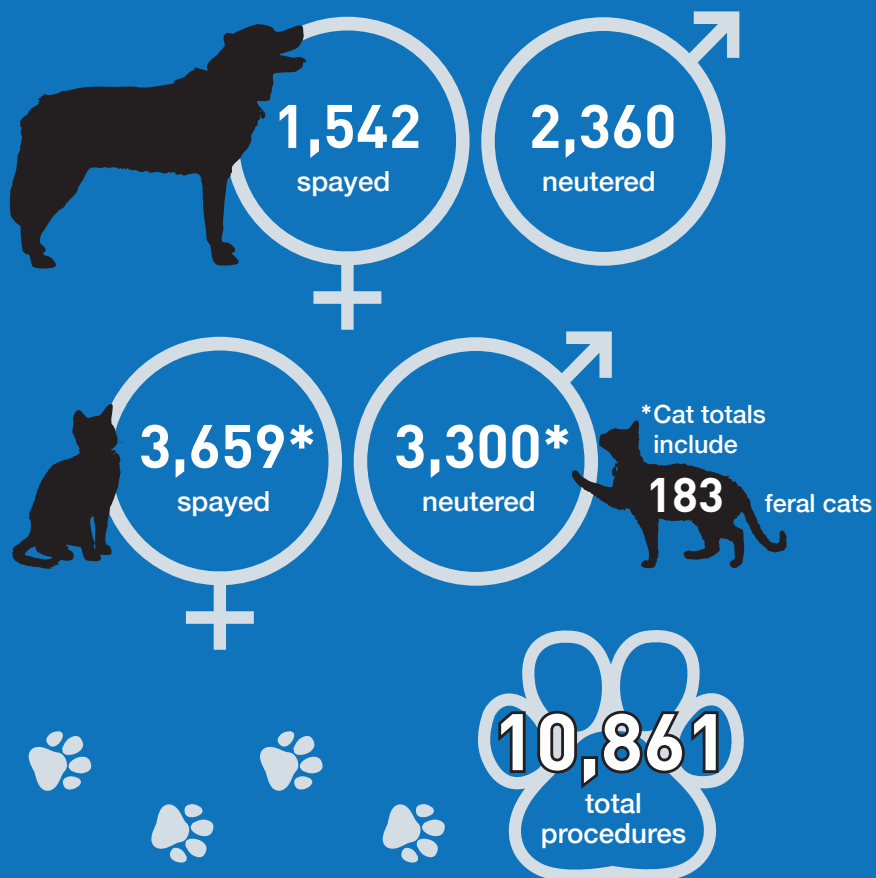
## our goal



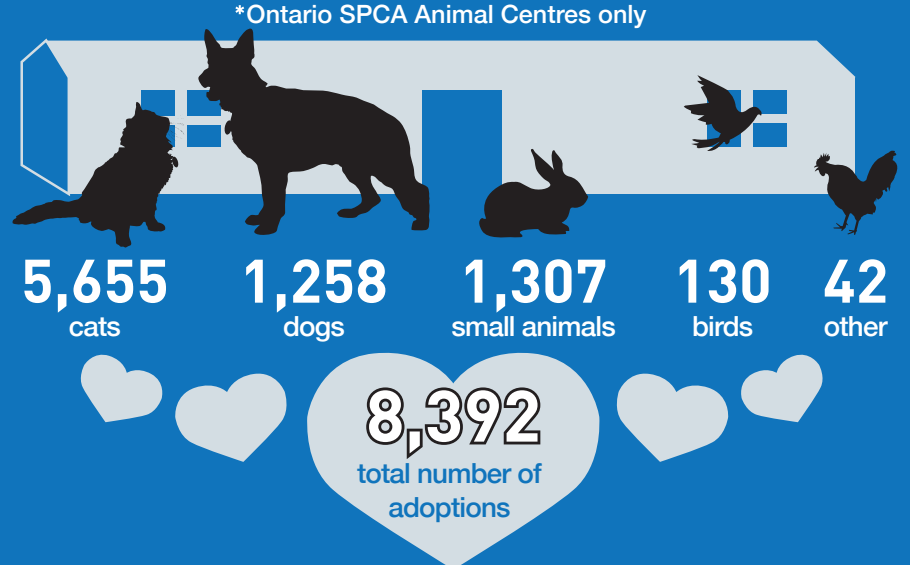
The Society's goal is to be a strong, unified and collaborative organization dedicated to the cultivation of a compassionate Ontario for all animals.

## a year in numbers

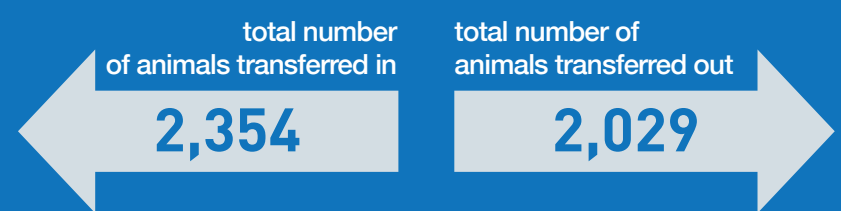
### 2017 Spay/Neuter Procedure Totals



### 2017 Animal Welfare Adoption Totals\*



### 2017 Animal Transfers\*



\* Transfers move animals from one geographical location to another in collaboration with associated partners and centres to save more lives

### 2017 Provincial Animal Welfare Legislation Enforcement Results



# 2017 FINANCIAL REPORT - Ontario Society for the Prevention of Cruelty to Animals

## Statement of Financial Position

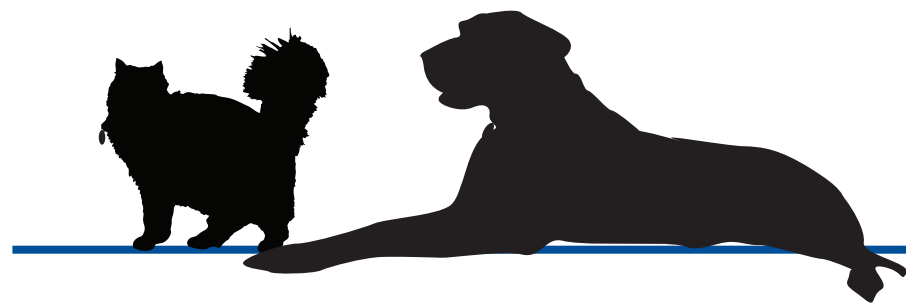
Year ended December 31, 2017, with comparative information for 2016

	2017	2016
<b>Assets</b>		
Current assets:		
Cash and cash equivalents	\$3,139,199	\$2,817,123
Short-term investments	5,115,999	7,145,308
Accounts receivable	4,985,459	1,647,027
Inventory	39,800	40,662
Prepaid expenses	436,564	285,396
	13,717,021	11,935,516
Investments	3,795,241	3,507,412
Capital assets	13,838,789	13,976,465
	\$31,351,051	\$29,419,393
<b>Liabilities and Fund Balances</b>		
Current Liabilities:		
Accounts payable and accrued liabilities	\$2,191,044	\$1,777,258
Deferred revenue	63,916	63,508
	2,254,960	1,840,766
Fund balances		
Provincial Fund	29,096,091	27,578,627
	\$31,351,051	\$29,419,393

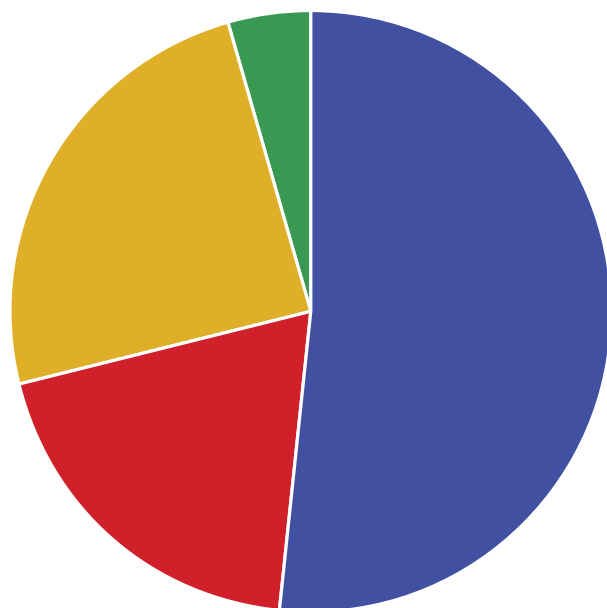
## Statement of Operations and Changes in Fund Balances





Year ended December 31, 2017, with comparative information for 2016

	2017	2016
<b>Revenue:</b>		
Donations and fundraising	\$7,060,737	\$7,045,781
Provincial grants	5,649,718	5,342,711
Shelter and veterinary	2,144,474	2,909,505
Municipal contract fees	2,368,030	2,742,612
Other	576,924	554,862
Investments	431,019	287,351
	18,230,902	18,882,822
<b>Expenses:</b>		
Animal care and protection	13,957,282	16,033,188
General	3,456,057	3,953,895
Fundraising	1,672,277	2,124,647
Amortization	798,033	936,408
Communication and education services	861,058	870,608
Interest and bank charges	151,798	155,948
	20,896,505	24,074,694
<b>Distributions:</b>		
Grants to Ontario Society for the Prevention of Cruelty to Animals affiliates and Humane Societies in other provinces	750,111	1,136,333
Deficiency of revenue over expenses and distributions before legacies	(3,415,714)	(6,328,205)
Legacies	4,933,178	4,515,751
Excess (deficiency) of revenue over expenses and distributions	1,517,464	(1,812,454)
Fund balances, beginning of year	27,578,627	29,391,081
Fund balances, end of year	\$29,096,091	\$27,578,627

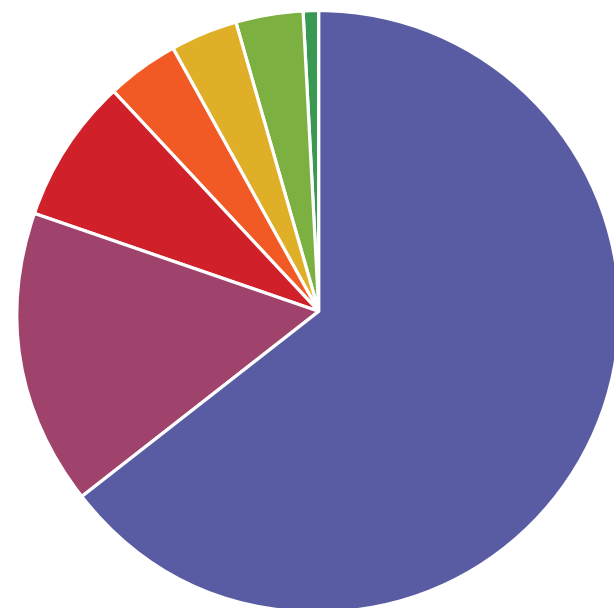









### How you support animal welfare



	Donations and Legacies	51.80%
	Government Grants Supporting Investigations Services	24.40%
	Animal Care Revenue	19.50%
	Other Non-Government Grants and Revenue	4.30%

### Your dollars at work



	Animal Care, Shelter & Community Medicine, Rescue & Relief™ and Provincial Animal Welfare Legislation Enforcement	64.50%
	General Management and Administration	16.00%
	Fundraising and Stewardship Programs	7.60%
	Humane Education, Public Service Campaigns and Public Awareness	4.00%
	Amortization	3.70%
	Distributions to Animal Welfare Organizations	3.50%
	Interest and Bank Charges	0.70%



## Volunteers honoured during National Volunteer Week

During National Volunteer Week the Ontario SPCA honours the individuals who give their time and love to animals in need.

Volunteers often work silently behind the scenes, but their contributions don't go unnoticed. Every year during National Volunteer Week, the Ontario SPCA and Humane Society has the opportunity to honour and appreciate those who dedicate their time and love to animals in need.

Whether they're walking dogs, cuddling cats, driving animals to veterinary appointments – and everything in between – volunteers are the foundation of the Society.

Providing volunteers with the tools they need to succeed is vital to providing a meaningful experience, which is why we offered two deserving volunteers a chance to attend our Ontario SPCA Educational Conference.

In advance of National Volunteer Week in April 2017, Ontario SPCA Animal Centre managers nominate their volunteers to win this amazing educational opportunity.

Volunteers who show outstanding service and a commitment to animal welfare are entered into a draw and are selected from across the province.

Lea Thompson and Ruth Henderson are the 2017 Outstanding Volunteer Service Award winners! Leah has been a volunteer with the Renfrew County Animal Centre for 17 years where she has done everything from organize events and fundraise, to groom animals and perform administration functions. Ruth has been serving the Marion Vernon Memorial Animal Clinic in Barrie since 2012. She is a general housekeeping volunteer at the clinic, which allows the staff to focus their attention on the health of the animals.

Thank you to Leah and Ruth, and all our volunteers, for everything you do for the animals. We appreciate your tireless efforts!

## Ontario SPCA declares 2018 Year of the Northern Dog

In an effort to bring awareness, attention and action to the serious animal welfare issue of Northern dog overpopulation, the Ontario SPCA and Humane Society is declaring 2018 the Year of the Northern Dog.

A lack of basic animal welfare services has created an abundance of dogs in Northern Canada who need resources, support and ultimately families. In response to many caring and compassionate Northern communities, the Ontario SPCA and its partners have developed a network of individuals, organizations and communities aimed at bringing awareness to the issue and working alongside Northern communities with a common goal – to change lives.

In remote Northern communities, resources and access to animal welfare services, such as veterinarians and spay/neuter



A puppy is examined following a transfer from a Northern community.

services, are often limited. Even getting supplies to many of these communities comes with obstacles, as many are accessed by air only. Extreme winter weather also complicates the delivery of supplies and services.

"Many barriers exist in the North that do not exist in the South, and everyone has a role to play in creating a healthy community for dogs and people," says Daryl Vaillancourt, Senior Director, Humane Programs & Community Outreach, Ontario SPCA. "The Year of the Northern Dog is an evolving initiative that will support programs and raise awareness by providing information and resources for individuals, organizations and communities." To learn how you can make a difference in the life of a Northern dog, visit [northerndog.com](http://northerndog.com) to join us in our efforts.



As Canadians come together on Remembrance Day to honour those who have served their country, they now have the opportunity to recognize the wartime contributions of animals by wearing the Ontario SPCA and Humane Society's new Animals in War pin.

Launched in 2017, the pin is designed to be worn alongside the wearer's poppy. Ontario SPCA Inspector Scott Sylvia proudly donned the pin before placing a wreath at the National Remembrance Day Ceremony in Ottawa.

Funds raised through the sale of the Animals in War pins help abused, neglected and homeless animals at Ontario SPCA Animal Centres across Ontario while also giving back to our veterans. A portion of proceeds from each pin sold will go to the Royal Canadian Legion.

## Ontario SPCA launches Animals in War pin to honour wartime contributions of animals

Designed to be worn alongside a poppy, the Animals in War pin recognizes the wartime contributions of animals. A portion of proceeds from each pin sold go to the Royal Canadian Legion.

While its first edition featured a horse, the pin is intended to symbolize the wartime contributions of all animals. Mules carried artillery, horses transported troops and hauled field guns, pigeons delivered crucial messages and dogs served as messengers, medical assistants, bomb detectors and search and rescue workers.

"The Animals in War pin is to be worn alongside the poppy to remember our veterans and the animals that bravely served," says Connie Mallory, Chief Inspector, Ontario SPCA. "It is a visible reminder of the sacrifices made by our veterans and the courageous animals that have stood by their side in times of conflict and peace."

## Two generations of giving back

Growing up on a farm near Goderich, Kent Mills had always been around dogs, cats, livestock and other animals. He understood the importance of animal welfare and the value of giving back. When he later bought a house of his own, he and his wife, Julie Preston, brought Zack, a beautiful Norwegian Elkhound puppy, into their home.

At the same time, they became monthly donors through the Ontario SPCA and Humane Society's Operation Pet Rescue™ and their support has been ongoing for more than 30 years.

The apple doesn't fall far from the tree, and the spirit of giving has been passed down to the couple's two teenagers, Alison and Cameron. They recently stopped by the Ontario SPCA Provincial Education & Animal Centre with their dad and brought three huge bins overflowing with needed items for the animals.

"When we were younger, my sister and I ran a lemonade stand to raise funds for the animals," Cameron says. "And when we didn't know what we wanted for our birthdays, we asked people to donate to the Ontario SPCA or to give items the shelter animals could use. My dad agreed to match any funds we raised, so this year we were able to bring \$400 worth of items."

Over the years the family has adopted many rescue animals – from a Shiba-Inu mix named Beeju to a Maltipoo mix named Mitch and most recently, a mixed-breed named Oatie, who was adopted from the Provincial Education & Animal Centre in 2016.



Long-time donors Julie Preston, Alison, Cameron and Kent Mills with their dog Oatie.

Kent describes Oatie as "the scruffiest dog you'll ever meet." During a visit to the Animal Centre, the family experienced firsthand just how their monthly donations and other gifts are being put to work to help the animals. Kent shared how he's watched the Ontario SPCA evolve over the past few decades, staying at the leading edge with an online presence, offering the ability to view animals for adoption from across the province, and leading engaging community fundraising events. He also expressed that he was impressed by our public education efforts that have increased awareness of puppy mills, pet overpopulation and have provided a broader understanding of humane treatment of animals.

The Ontario SPCA simply could not be there for animals if it weren't for caring donors like the Mills family. On behalf of the animals, we are grateful they have chosen to be a part of our monthly giving program, Operation Pet Rescue™, and we celebrate the family among our longest-standing monthly donors.

Please consider joining the Mills family by starting your monthly gift today at [operationpetrescue.ca](http://operationpetrescue.ca) – you will truly make a difference.

# Animal welfare partners work together in Northern communities



A group of volunteers and staff pose at the Big Trout Lake Airport. They flew into the community to partner with Kitchenuhmaykoosib Inninuwig for a spay/neuter clinic and animal transfer.

It was a busy spring for the Ontario SPCA and Humane Society and animal welfare partners working together with remote Northern communities to deliver spay/neuter and wellness services, resources and animal transfers.

In May 2017, the Ontario SPCA Provincial Animal Transfer Team travelled to Wabaseemoong Independent Nation, located about 120 kilometres northwest of Kenora, to transfer close to 40 dogs and puppies. They connected with another transfer team in Thunder Bay, handed off the dogs to continue their journey south, then immediately travelled to another community partner, Mishkeegogamang First Nation, which is located about 500 kilometres northwest of Thunder Bay. There, 20 additional dogs, puppies, cats and kittens were transferred to be re-homed. Via Sudbury, the animals journeyed down to Southern Ontario, where they were placed up for adoption with the help of the Ontario SPCA and the Welland & District SPCA.

Prior to the transfer south, wellness and spay/neuter clinics were also held in both of these remote First Nation communities by participating partners.

This collaborative approach to animal welfare was made possible thanks to the contributions of numerous partners, including the Chiefs, Band Councils and Elders from Wabaseemoong Independent Nation and Mishkeegogamang First Nation, volunteers in Thunder Bay, members of the Ontario SPCA Provincial Animal Transfer Team, Beat the Heat Kenora, Northern Spay/Neuter Program, Grey Bruce Aboriginal Qimmiq Team, Dr. R. Bushuk of the Kenora Veterinary Clinic, Northern Legacy Horse Farm, Welland & District SPCA, PetSmart Charities of Canada and the Central Canada Feeding Station.

In June, the Ontario SPCA once again partnered with Kitchenuhmaykoosib Inninuwig (Big Trout Lake First Nation), located about 500 kilometres north of Thunder Bay, to deliver essential animal welfare services.

Big Trout Lake community members were joined by a team of veterinarians, veterinary technicians, volunteers, the Canadian Animal Assistance Team, Beat the Heat Kenora, North Star Air Ltd., Peterborough Humane Society and PetSmart Charities of Canada for a spay/neuter clinic.

A MASH-style pop-up clinic, with staff, supplies and volunteers flown into the community by North Star Air, marked the first time the Ontario SPCA was involved in a fly-in spay/neuter clinic. This milestone mission saw pet owners bring 73 cats and dogs to receive vaccines and be “fixed” to help control the local animal population.

Alongside the spay/neuter clinic, 18 community dogs and cats were transferred to Central Ontario to be placed for adoption.



A great team from Wabaseemoong Independent Nation collaborated with the Ontario SPCA on a transfer of close to 40 dogs and puppies.

Flown from Big Trout Lake First Nation to Thunder Bay, the animals then made the journey to the Peterborough Humane Society. Those dogs and cats found new homes only hours after being placed for adoption.

“We are thrilled to be working with communities that are making animal welfare a priority,” says Daryl Vaillancourt, Senior Director, Humane Programs & Community Outreach, Ontario SPCA.

“Together with our various partners, we’re taking a comprehensive approach to animal welfare and animal population management by offering spay/neuter and wellness services, delivering resources, as well as transferring animals in need of homes to other areas of the province where adoptable animals are in high demand.”

For more information on work being done in the North by the Ontario SPCA and our partners, visit [northerndog.com](http://northerndog.com)



An adopter meets their match at the Ontario SPCA Midland & District Animal Centre during iAdopt for the Holidays, which saw over 1,600 animals at Ontario SPCA Animal Centres find their forever homes.

Over 4,000 animals from across Canada found their forever homes during the 2017 iAdopt for the Holidays campaign and were able to spend the season with their new families. Ontario SPCA Animal Centres saw over 1,600 animals find their forever homes during November and December.

iAdopt for the Holidays, supported by Royal Canin®, kicks off each year on November 1 and runs until December 31 at participating SPCAs, Humane Societies and rescue groups nationwide. The goal

## Thousands of pets find homes during iAdopt for the Holidays

of this annual campaign is to place as many animals as possible into loving homes during the holiday season.

This year's contest winner was Bella, a cat from Bracebridge. She will be enjoying free pet food for a year, courtesy of Royal Canin Canada, after her owners entered the grand prize draw and were this year's lucky winners.

"The holidays are a great time to adopt as many people have time off work and are home together. This makes it easier to integrate a new pet into your family and help them get settled," says Caytlynn Croisier, Manager, Ontario SPCA Midland & District Animal Centre. "It's a special time for us, as we have the opportunity to see so many animals find a loving home to call their own."

## Communities come together to change lives, one step at a time

People and pets across Ontario laced and leashed up to support animals in need at the 2017 Friends for Life! Walk™ presented by Pedigree, a major fundraiser for the Ontario SPCA and Humane Society and participating Affiliate Societies.

Walks were held in 15 communities across the province on the weekend of September 23-24, 2017 to raise funds in support of the care and welfare of vulnerable animals. Participants raised \$330,000, which supports programs and services provided by Ontario SPCA Animal Centres and participating SPCAs and Humane Societies across Ontario.

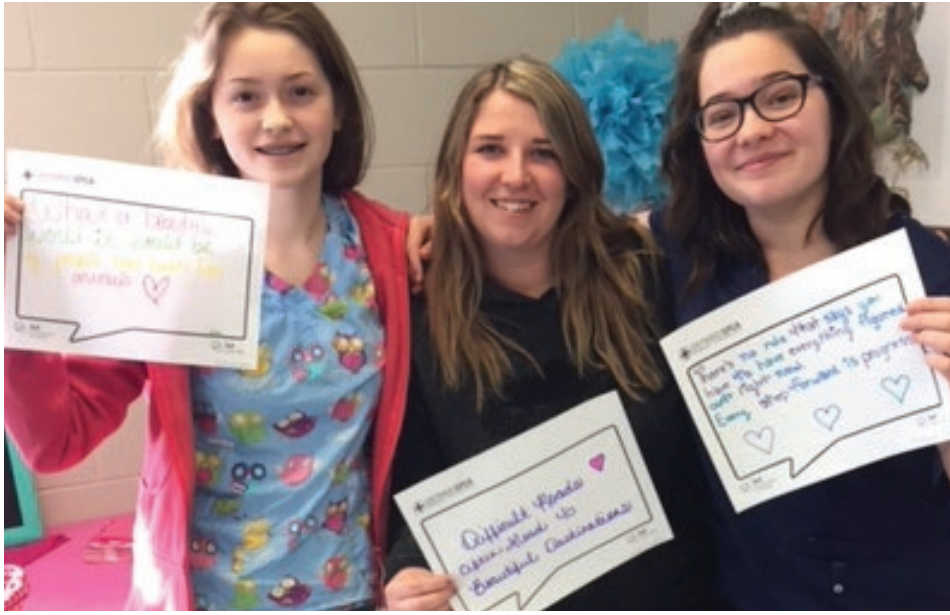
More than just a fundraising walk, the Friends for Life! Walk is a fun-filled day that offers something for everyone. From barbecues and live music, to pet vendors and activities for the kids, each walk location has its own mix of unique attractions and activities.



Participants showed their support for animals in need at the Ontario SPCA Renfrew County Animal Centre's Friends for Life! Walk.

"Thank you to everyone who participated and collected pledges in support of animals in need," says Amanda Eckersley, Manager, Ontario SPCA Renfrew County Animal Centre. "You are helping us continue the life-saving work we do each and every day. Together, we're giving vulnerable animals a second chance."

Check out more great photos from Friends for Life! Walks across the province by visiting [Facebook.com/friendsforlifewalk](https://www.facebook.com/friendsforlifewalk)



## Staff shares advice and words of resiliency during Bell Let's Talk Day

Ontario SPCA staff members from across the province were provided with "Bell Bubbles" and invited to share words of advice for positive mental health.

The success of an organization depends on the mental and emotional health and well-being of the people behind it, which is why the Ontario SPCA and Humane Society continues to make this important issue a top priority.

Every January, the Ontario SPCA participates in Bell Let's Talk Day, a national campaign to end the stigma surrounding mental health. It's a time to share information and resources with employees and let them know that they are never alone in any challenges they may face in life.

In an effort to raise awareness surrounding the stigma behind mental health and boost resiliency at work, the Ontario SPCA Health and Wellness Committee invited staff to take part in a new challenge. Staff members were provided with "Bell Bubbles" in which they could write inspiring words of advice for positive mental health.

The windows in the Provincial Office lunchroom were covered in Bell Bubbles with positive mental health sentiments written by staff from all across the province. Social media also lit up throughout the day, with various messages that communicated the commitment from the Ontario SPCA staff to help end the stigma surrounding mental health. The social media outreach campaign reached over 273,000 people. We also engaged the public in conversation surrounding mental health and emphasized the impact that pets have on positive mental well-being. Together we are stronger, and animals play an important role in our well-being. Research has demonstrated that pets can have a positive impact on our physical, mental and emotional health. Thank you to everyone who took time out of their busy day to help break down the stigma associated with mental health.

## Pet owners vote for favourite veterinary clinic during Got a Pet? Get a Vet! campaign

Just one checkup a year with a veterinarian helps protect pets against a variety of potentially life-threatening diseases, detects health problems sooner and helps pet owners avoid unexpected costs.

To help ensure pets across Canada are receiving regular veterinary care, the Got a Pet? Get a Vet!™ public service campaign was launched by the Ontario SPCA and Humane Society, in association with the Ontario Veterinary Medical Association (OVMA) and participating SPCAs and Humane Societies across Canada. Got a Pet? Get a Vet! kicked off in 2015 and continues to bring awareness to the importance of establishing a relationship with a veterinarian when you have a pet.

To help recognize local veterinarians and their staff who go above and beyond in providing excellent care for pets and their families, the Ontario SPCA and OVMA run a contest each year. The public is

got a **2017 Pet?**  **get a Vet!** Award

Presented to:  
**Dr. Renee Ferguson**  
**Mountain View Veterinary Hospital**  
**Langley, B.C.**

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The public is invited to nominate their favourite veterinary clinic for the "Got a Pet? Get a Vet! Award" and then encourage friends and family to vote to determine the winner.

invited to nominate their favourite veterinary clinic for the "Got a Pet? Get a Vet! Award" and then encourage friends and family to vote to determine the winner. In 2017, the winner was Dr. Renee Ferguson of the Mountain View Veterinary Hospital in Langley, B.C., receiving over 5,000 votes.

Thank you to everyone who has a regular veterinarian to help keep their pets healthy and happy. Animal welfare is a team effort and your veterinarian is a key player in your pet's well-being.

For more information, visit [gotapetgetavet.ca](http://gotapetgetavet.ca)



## External rotations give students first-hand experience in Shelter Medicine



Ontario SPCA staff members Monica Seto, Manager of Shelter Health & Wellness, and Mary Pecarski, Manager of RVT Programs, with Collège Boréal veterinary technician student Andree-Anne Rusaw (centre) during her Shelter Medicine Week with the Ontario SPCA.

Shelter Medicine is an exciting and growing field of veterinary medicine and one that the Ontario SPCA is working to promote to help improve the health and well-being of animals in shelters, both now and in the future.

To give veterinary and veterinary technician students hands-on experience, the Ontario SPCA participates in external rotations with colleges. Student veterinarians and veterinary technicians broaden their understanding of the Ontario SPCA and Humane Society and its mission, and how they play an important role in our life-saving efforts. This program introduces the students to alternative career options, as well as shows them how they can support their local Animal Centres or Humane Societies through private practice as they

move forward in their veterinary career.

The Ontario SPCA began partnering with the Ontario Veterinary College (OVC) in the 2013-2014 school year to give “phase-four” student veterinarians the opportunity to participate in a one-week placement in either Shelter Medicine or spay/neuter services. To date, the Ontario SPCA has hosted over 20 fourth-year OVC student veterinarians.

The Ontario SPCA has also had a partnership with Collège Boréal since 2015. The Society’s Shelter Health & Wellness department creates and delivers key curriculum for the school’s veterinary technician program and also sponsors two select students each year from Collège Boréal and Université de Guelph-Campus d’Alfred to attend an intensive one-week Shelter Medicine placement. The majority of the students who have attended this placement have gone on to careers in animal welfare and Shelter Medicine throughout Ontario and Quebec.

With the growing popularity of Shelter Medicine, in 2017 the Society opened the rotation to other colleges, providing four placements to students from Sheridan College, Seneca College and St. Lawrence College.

“We are excited to see the veterinary speciality of Shelter Medicine continue to grow and are pleased to be able to contribute to the education of animal welfare and Shelter Medicine professionals,” says Magdalena Smrdelj, Chief Veterinary Officer, Ontario SPCA. “Our goal is to raise awareness of the importance of Shelter Medicine and to introduce student veterinarians and veterinary technicians to issues and considerations that they will encounter whether they pursue a career in Shelter Medicine or in a private veterinary practice.”

## Businesses get on board with No Hot Pets campaign

To help spread awareness about the dangers of leaving pets unattended in vehicles, and to assist pet owners, the Ontario SPCA and Humane Society rolled out a new initiative in 2017 to encourage businesses across the province to take part in its annual No Hot Pets campaign.

Businesses that pledged their support for the No Hot Pets campaign received a digital sign to print and display in their window letting pet owners know their animals are welcome inside while they shop or do business. By the end of the summer, over 600 businesses from across the province had joined the online directory.

The issue of owners leaving their pets in their vehicles during the hot summer months is an ongoing problem. It puts the safety of animals



The No Hot Pets campaign raises awareness about the dangers of leaving pets unattended in vehicles during the hot summer months.

at risk and can even result in death. There is no excuse for leaving a pet unattended in a vehicle – that’s the message of the No Hot Pets campaign and it’s gaining momentum every year. In 2017, more than 5,700 people took the pledge at nohotpets.ca vowing to never leave their pets unattended in a vehicle.

Thank you to everyone who joined the business directory, took the pledge and educated others through social media using the hashtag #nohotpets. By joining the movement you’re helping to spread this important message, which saves animal lives.

For more information, visit nohotpets.ca

# Baking a difference on National Cupcake Day

National Cupcake Day™ is the sweetest day of the year and the 2018 event, which took place on February 26, saw close to 2,000 participants come together in support of SPCAs and Humane Societies.

Now in its sixth year, National Cupcake Day had 100 SPCAs and Humane Societies take part across Canada. Participants register online to host a National Cupcake Day party in their community on any date in January or February. Guests donate to the participating animal welfare charity of the host's choice in exchange for a cupcake, raising critically needed funds for animals that are abused, abandoned, neglected or no longer wanted.

Proceeds from National Cupcake Day help the Ontario SPCA support our furry friends, big and small, who have been abused, abandoned, or are in need of a new home. Thanks to you,



This junior fundraiser supported the Ontario SPCA Muskoka Animal Centre's National Cupcake Day fundraising efforts.

our generous supporters, over \$700,000 was raised among participating partners in 2018. That's a lot of cupcakes! "National Cupcake Day is as delicious as it is fun," says Jane McCamus, Manager, Ontario SPCA Muskoka Animal Centre. "We can't thank you enough for indulging in delicious treats to help animals in need. The funds you raise have a significant impact on the Animal Centres in your community, ensuring their life-saving work continues."

On behalf of the Ontario SPCA and participating SPCAs and Humane Societies across Canada, thank you for baking a difference for animals in need. For more information, visit [nationalcupcakeday.ca](http://nationalcupcakeday.ca)

## Houston dogs displaced by hurricane find shelter in Ontario

In the aftermath of Hurricane Harvey, which hit Houston, Texas in late August 2017, the Ontario SPCA welcomed a group of dogs displaced from Houston-based animal shelters.

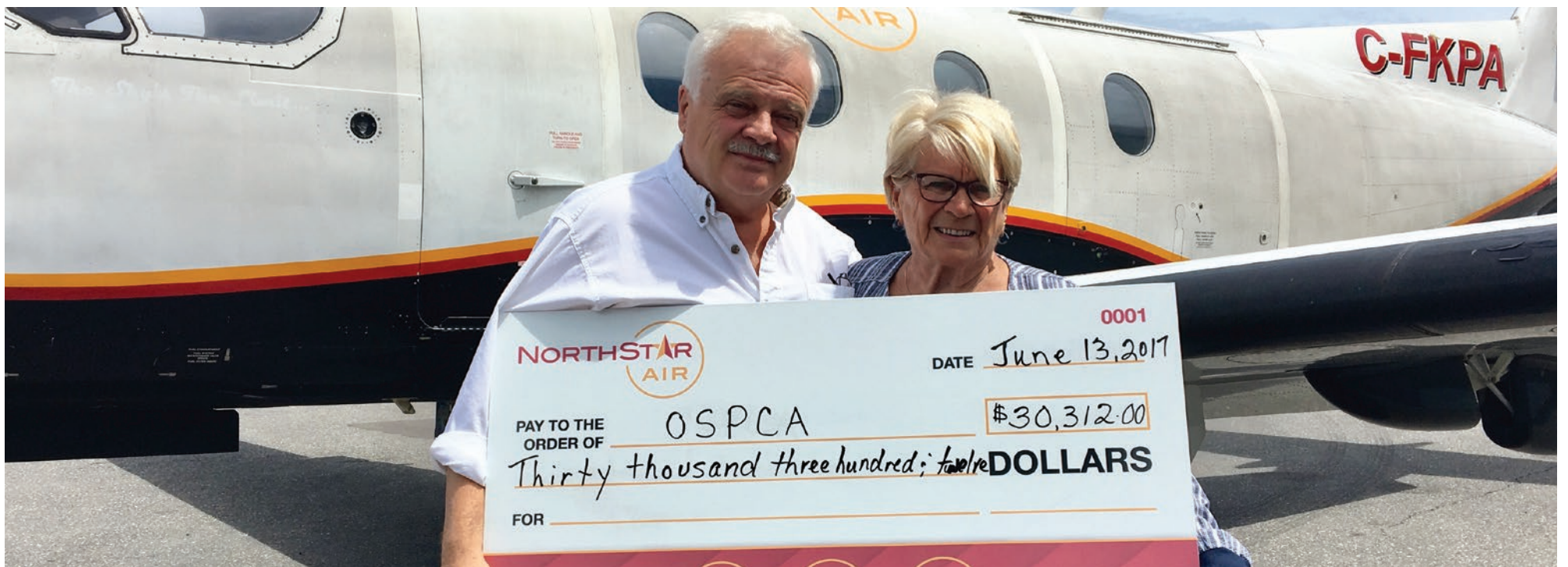
The Ontario SPCA and Humane Society, supported by the Welland & District SPCA and Georgian Triangle Humane Society, provided Rescue & Relief™ services to assist Toronto-based Redemption Dogs' efforts to rescue over 35 dogs. Some dogs had been in shelters in Houston awaiting adoption when Hurricane Harvey hit, while others were relinquished after the hurricane when their owners could no longer care for them.

Thanks to the generosity of donors, the Ontario SPCA housed and cared for the dogs while they underwent a 10 to 14-day observation period after arriving on September 11. The dogs received veterinary checks and any necessary medical treatments, including spay/neuter surgery, before being placed up for adoption by Redemption Paws, a not-for-profit that helps animal shelters in the aftermath of natural disasters.

"Our Animal Centres had space to welcome additional dogs so we were pleased to assist with this transfer from Houston when asked if we could help," says Tonya Martin, Director, Community Programming, Ontario SPCA. "Thanks to the efforts of everyone who offered support, these dogs were given a second chance."



The Ontario SPCA and Humane Society, supported by the Welland & District SPCA and Georgian Triangle Humane Society, provided Rescue & Relief™ services to assist in rescuing over 35 dogs from Houston, Texas following Hurricane Harvey.



North Star Air President and CEO Frank Kelner presents a cheque to Judy Decicco, Director, Ontario SPCA Board and Northern representative.

## North Star Air Ltd. donates \$30K to support services in the North

Animal welfare programs and services in remote communities in Northern Ontario received a boost in June 2017 when North Star Air Ltd. presented a cheque for \$30,312 to the Ontario SPCA and Humane Society.

The long-time air transport service provider and partner to remote Northern communities has teamed up with the Ontario SPCA, local groups, Indigenous communities and Humane Societies across Ontario to find new homes for Northern dogs and cats.

In just two years, North Star Air Ltd. was involved in the re-homing efforts of over 140 Northern dogs. It also delivered personnel and supplies for the Ontario SPCA's first fly-in spay/neuter clinic in Kitchenuhmaykoosib Inninuwug (Big Trout Lake First Nation), a remote community about 500 kilometres northwest of Thunder Bay, including making a special trip to deliver critical medication that was needed.

"We are so pleased to be working alongside North Star Air Ltd. and Indigenous communities to provide animal welfare services and resources," says Judi Cannon, Director, Partnerships & Community Outreach, Ontario SPCA. "We are so grateful for the financial support and the airline's hard work and dedication to these communities. Without them, transfers and access to veterinarian care would not be possible. They are truly making an impact, both for people and pets."

## 750 lbs of dog food sent to Kashechewan during spring flood



Ontario SPCA Agent Chelsey Romain unloads a portion of 750lbs of donated dog food destined for Kashechewan First Nation. Thanks to the generosity of donors, the Ontario SPCA and Humane Society was able to respond to an urgent appeal from the community during a flood.

Thanks to the generosity of donors, the Ontario SPCA and Humane Society was able to respond to an urgent appeal from Kashechewan First Nation for food for their resident dogs as the community evacuated from rising flood waters.

A total of 750 lbs of food was transferred to the community in April 2017. Working with a network of community organizations on the ground, the food was delivered where it was needed most.

"The mission was a true collaboration in animal welfare. We were pleased to be able to share resources with the Kashechewan First Nation community and the animals we all care for so deeply," says Jennifer Bluhm, Deputy Chief Inspector, Ontario SPCA. "Partnerships like this truly do make a difference in the lives of animals."

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## Corporate volunteers roll up their sleeves for animal welfare

Honda Canada Foundation Chair Dave Jamieson (third from right) presents a cheque to the Ontario SPCA team. The staff at the Honda office in Markham came together to raise over \$9,500 to help animals in need.

Volunteers are the backbone of the Ontario SPCA and increasingly that support comes from employee volunteer groups as corporations recognize the positive effects volunteering has on business, its employees and its consumers. Corporate volunteers provide hands-on support with maintenance projects and vital enrichment activities, as well as critical funding for projects. In fall 2017, the Ontario SPCA Provincial Office engaged over 15 groups, totaling over 300 employees, in its growing corporate volunteer program. The Honda Canada Foundation stepped forward to support the Ontario SPCA's Feral Cat Shelter Program. Honda purchased \$2,000 worth of materials and Honda employees rolled up their sleeves and spent a day cutting and constructing 36 feral cat shelters. The team also donated several bags of cat food for the feral cat food bank. To top it off, at the end of the year, the staff at the Honda office in Markham came together to raise over \$9,500 for the Ontario SPCA and filled a Honda Odyssey with dog and cat supplies.

The staff at SAP Canada also made a difference in the lives of animals by donating their time to build feral cat shelters. In addition, several members of the SAP team helped with a new project at the Ontario SPCA Provincial Education & Animal Centre – installing cat portals in the stainless steel cat cages to give cats a larger, healthier space as they wait to be adopted. Several SAP employees even returned on their own time to continue the work.

Under Armour employees also gave back to their community by volunteering with the Ontario SPCA. They built feral cat shelters and helped package dog food for the local food banks and homeless shelters in the area.

Thanks to the hard work and dedication of the corporate volunteers who offered their support, over 250 much-needed feral cat shelters were built. Thank you to our corporate partners and their kindhearted employees for taking the time to support animal welfare initiatives. You truly make a difference!

## The W. Garfield Weston Foundation transforms kennels with a donation

Thanks to a generous gift from The W. Garfield Weston Foundation, the dogs at the Ontario SPCA Provincial Education & Animal Centre now have new and improved outdoor runs that will make their stay more comfortable and secure while they wait to be adopted into loving new homes.

Originally built in 2001, the 12 dog kennel runs at the Animal Centre were separated by walls made of thin plastic fencing. Over time and use, those walls had deteriorated, requiring frequent repairs and creating safety concerns.

Significant outdoor time, in a safe and healthy environment, is paramount in providing the best quality of life possible and a successful adoption future for these dogs. With the Weston Foundation's gift, the kennels were completely renovated, with the plastic partitions replaced by new concrete walls. The dogs now have a safe and secure setting to spend time outdoors.



Thanks to The W. Garfield Weston Foundation, the outdoor dog runs at the Ontario SPCA Provincial Education & Animal Centre were completely renovated, with the plastic partitions replaced by new concrete walls.

"The dogs in our care are always so excited to go outdoors and it's rewarding to see them enjoying this beautiful new space," says Katie Lewis, Assistant Manager, Ontario SPCA Provincial Education & Animal Centre. "The W. Garfield Weston Foundation has given them a safe and secure place to play where they have privacy and feel protected."

For three generations, The W. Garfield Weston Foundation has maintained a tradition of helping charitable organizations make a difference and enhance the quality of life in Canada.

We are grateful to the Foundation for this generous gift, which will positively impact dogs at the Provincial Education & Animal Centre for years to come.

# Working together to address cat overpopulation in Cornwall



A kitten is examined after being surrendered into the care of the Ontario SPCA. The Ontario SPCA came to the City of Cornwall to assist dedicated citizens fostering stray animals.

When the population of homeless cats spiked in Cornwall in 2017, the Ontario SPCA and Humane Society took action to help find homes for adoptable animals and provided resources to the City of Cornwall to assist in meeting the urgent needs of community animals. Supported by generous donors and coordinated locally by the Ontario SPCA Stormont, Dundas & Glengarry (SD&G) Animal Centre,

the Ontario SPCA Rescue & Relief™ services rolled into the City of Cornwall on July 6 to assist dedicated citizens fostering stray animals. A total of 73 cats and kittens were surrendered to the Society that day, with more surrendered in the days that followed.

All adoptable cats were transferred to other animal care centres throughout the province for adoption, making space locally at the SD&G Animal Centre for urgent sheltering needs. Treatment needed for these cats and kittens, including spay/neuter procedures, was provided by the Ontario SPCA in advance of the pets being adopted, ensuring no future litters.

The Ontario SPCA continues to work with the City of Cornwall to address an urgent requirement for a Community Animal Management Strategy. This will provide a sustainable, long-term solution to the plight of homeless animals.

“Animal welfare is a community responsibility; no one organization can work alone to meet the needs of the animals,” says Tonya Martin, Director, Community Programming, Ontario SPCA. “We look forward to continuing to work with the City of Cornwall to develop a long-term animal welfare strategy. Creating a healthy community for pets and people begins with a collaborative approach to delivering animal welfare services.”

## 2017 ONTARIO SPCA & HUMANE SOCIETY PROVINCIAL PARTNERSHIPS



## Lincoln County Humane Society opens veterinary clinic



RVT Quinn Aucoin prepares Angel for an X-ray at the Lincoln County Humane Society's full service, not-for-profit companion animal veterinary clinic, which is open to the public.

The Lincoln County Humane Society has become the first Humane Society in Ontario to offer a full service, not-for-profit companion animal veterinary clinic, open to the public.

"It has been a natural extension of our existing high-volume spay-neuter services, which have been open to the public since 2012," says Kevin Strooband, Executive Director, Lincoln County Humane Society. Since opening, the Lincoln County's spay/neuter services have helped reduce the pet overpopulation by providing surgeries for close to 25,000 dogs and cats.

The new veterinary clinic is staffed by several veterinarians, as well as a team of registered veterinary technicians and support staff. Getting the clinic up and running also required the purchase of specialized equipment, including a digital X-ray machine and a dental machine.

Having the ability to perform many of the procedures required for the animals in their care will help the Lincoln County Humane Society to lower its operating costs. In addition, the clinic is open to the public, giving pet owners who might not have otherwise taken their pet to a veterinarian, an opportunity to do so.

"We want to ensure as many animals as possible have access to veterinary care," says Strooband. "We want what's best for the animals."

## Capacity for Care Program is highlight of Kitchener-Waterloo Humane Society's 90th year

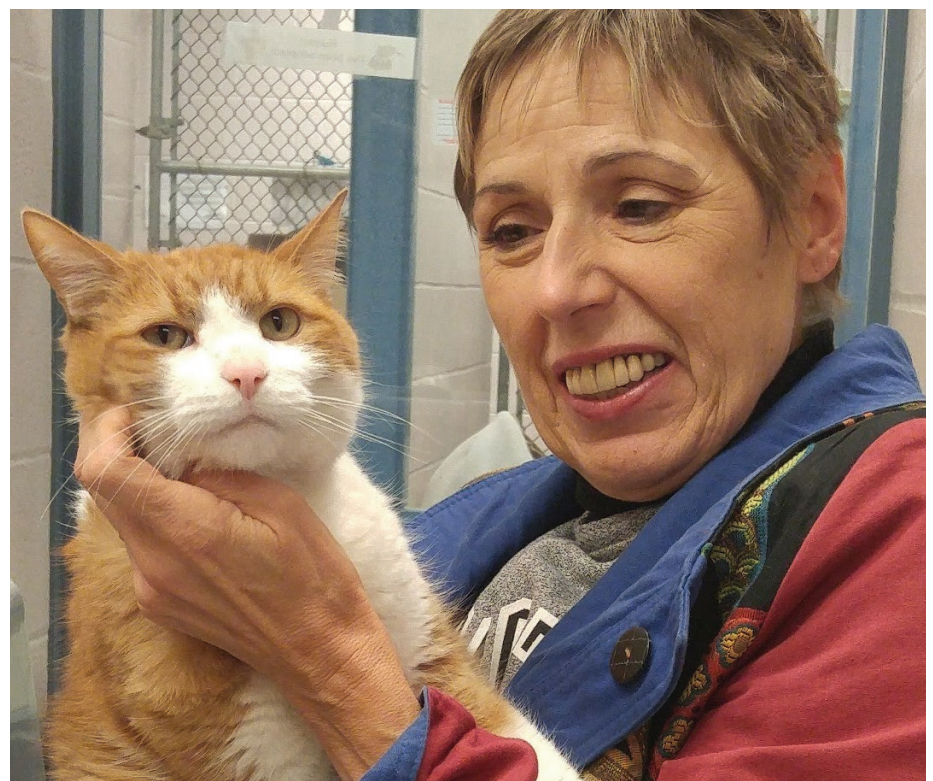
It was a milestone year for the Kitchener-Waterloo Humane Society, which marked its 90th anniversary in 2017.

There were plenty of accomplishments to celebrate: close to 3,000 spay/neuter procedures, over 4,200 rabies vaccines and microchips at three public clinics, and 30,000 students reached through humane education. Nevertheless, the achievement the Kitchener-Waterloo Humane Society is most proud of is the success of its Capacity for Care Program. Known as "C4C," it has resulted in over 1,300 adoptions, less illness and shorter lengths of stay.

The goal of the program is to find homes for animals – particularly cats – as quickly as possible. Within six months of C4C's launch in 2015, the average length of stay for a cat reduced from 50 to 24 days, and to only four days by 2017!

The C4C Program has also reduced the number of cats that have to be isolated due to illness. As part of the program, portals were installed to transform two cages into one expanded space. The result is happier, healthier cats and a 90 per cent reduction in the number of cats in isolation.

C4C has also had a positive impact on dog adoptions. The length of stay for dogs now averages three-and-a-half days. The Society attributes that number to changes in the adoption process. It is now more welcoming, while allowing staff the opportunity to better understand the needs and lifestyles of potential adopters to facilitate the best match possible.



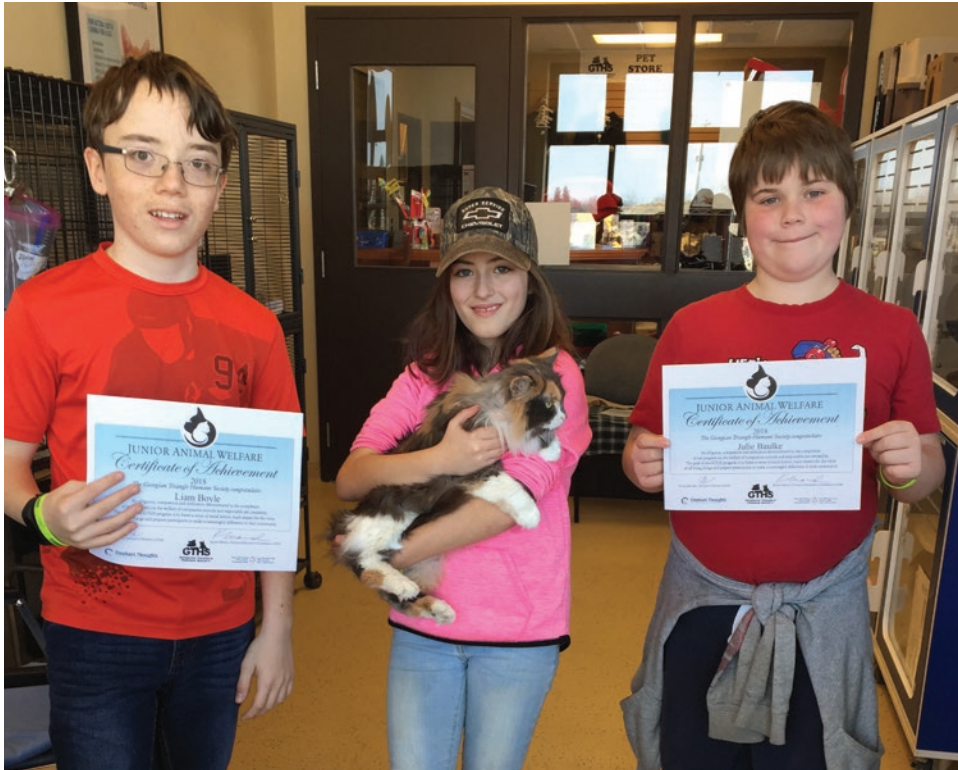
Through the Kitchener-Waterloo Humane Society's Capacity for Care Program, cats like Garfield are finding loving homes faster than ever before. The average stay for a cat is now only four days.

While C4C helps animals find homes faster, the other piece of the puzzle is reducing the number of animals that enter the shelter. The Society educates the community about responsible pet ownership and offers counselling at the shelter intake level to help reduce the number of surrenders.

"Often we hear from the public, 'You don't have many animals up for adoption,'" says Kathrin Delutis, Executive Director, Kitchener-Waterloo Humane Society. "It's not that we don't, because our numbers show that we've had animals up for adoption, but we're getting them out the door so quickly. We're really, really proud of that."

The Society invites friends to join them in celebrating 90 years at their upcoming Homeward Bound gala on September 28, 2018. For more information, visit [kwhumane.com](http://kwhumane.com)

## Georgian Triangle Humane Society launches education program



These students were awarded a Junior Animal Welfare Certificate after successfully completing the Georgian Triangle Humane Society's Humane Education Program.

After successfully applying for an Ontario Trillium Foundation Grant, the Georgian Triangle Humane Society launched a multi-pronged Humane Education Program in November 2017, assisted by Elephant Thoughts, a teacher-operated charity. Aligned with the Ontario curriculum, the program encourages the development of important character and life-building skills, including empathy, sensitivity, responsibility, respect, compassion and kindness to all living beings.

One component of the program is geared toward students in Grades 6, 7, and 8. The Society visits area classrooms to deliver four 90-minute lectures. Topics range from emotional intelligence and communicating with pets, to animal cruelty and its link to bullying, domestic abuse and dating violence.

For the fifth and final session, students are invited to the Georgian Triangle Humane Society where they interact with cats and meet a therapy dog. At the end, they're awarded a Junior Animal Welfare certificate.

"I really enjoy seeing the children that typically never utter a word in their class, really eager and energetic to share stories about their own pets," says Karen Marsh, Humane Education Coordinator, Georgian Triangle Humane Society.

Outside of the classroom, the Society runs an after school Junior Animal Welfare Certificate Program, held at the shelter weekly for eight weeks. It covers many of the same subjects as the classroom program, but also features more hands-on interaction with animals. The Humane Education Program also works with at-risk youth in the Simcoe County District School Board's alternative learning stream. Many of the participants have difficulty coping in a large school setting and some have additional challenges, such as debilitating anxiety. Working one-on-one with each student and their support teacher, Marsh introduces them to cats, kittens and dogs to help develop their emotional and social skills. From there, the goal is to begin to tackle school work.

"It's good for the animals, the students and ultimately the community," Marsh says. "We're creating a kinder, more compassionate community."

## Rehabilitated dog captures hearts in North Bay

The North Bay and District Humane Society celebrated an increase in dog adoptions in 2017, but out of the nearly 150 that came through the shelter, there was one dog that wiggled his way into the hearts of staff, volunteers and donors.

Wiggles came in as a stray with an injury to his hind leg. X-rays revealed he was suffering from a ruptured cruciate ligament in his knee, causing him pain. The North Bay and District Humane Society opted to surgically repair the leg and reached out to the public to help cover the cost of the surgery and post-operative care, an estimated \$3,000.

Within four days, donations of more than \$3,700 were received, exceeding the goal. The additional money donated helps other animals in the shelter needing extra medical attention and care. As for Wiggles, he found a loving home through the Society's "Foster to Adopt" program.



Wiggles' story is an example of life-saving work taking place at the North Bay and District Humane Society.

"We were pleased to see a 17 per cent increase in the number of dog adoptions, but it's not just about adoption numbers," says Liam Cullin, Executive Director, North Bay and District Humane Society. "We like to share Wiggles' story because it's a real life example of the life-saving work we do here at the shelter thanks to the support of our community."

# New animal care facility in Peterborough moves closer to becoming a reality



This artist's rendering by Lett Architects shows the adoption and education wing at the Peterborough Humane Society's new Animal Care Centre and Ontario SPCA Provincial Dog Rehabilitation Centre.

Momentum continues to move the capital campaign forward for the Peterborough Humane Society's new Animal Care Centre. Once completed, it will be home to an adoption and education centre, high volume regional spay/neuter services and the first ever Ontario SPCA Provincial Dog Rehabilitation Centre.

The campaign is preparing to enter its community phase after reaching just over \$6 million of the \$10 million goal. The City of Peterborough announced support of \$1.8 million towards the project, providing a major boost in 2016. More recently, a generous donation of \$161,000 was made in the form of a PetSmart Charities grant in support of the Regional Spay/Neuter Clinic, being built within the new Peterborough Humane Society. Donations from animal welfare advocates in the community are also helping to bring the plan closer to reality.

"We're getting closer and closer by the day, but we still need the continued support from the community," says Shawn Morey, Executive Director, Peterborough Humane Society, who notes that building plans and permits are in place for the project. "This next phase will be a big piece for us as we continue to work towards our campaign goal."

The new facility will combine several vital animal welfare

programs under one new roof, including the Peterborough Humane Society shelter, adoption and education centre. The Peterborough Humane Society's existing shelter was built in 1956 as a pound; not designed to support the demand of the approximately 2,000 lost, injured, abandoned and abused animals that it shelters and cares for each year. At 24,360 sq. ft., the new building will be more than three times bigger than the 6,200 sq. ft. animal centre currently serving the community. The facility will also include high-volume regional spay/neuter services that will be open to the public and other animal welfare and rescue organizations to help reduce pet overpopulation. The third facet of the build will be the Ontario SPCA Provincial Dog Rehabilitation Centre, the first of its kind in Canada. Purpose-built to support dogs facing special challenges, the facility will have many unique features, including a play pool with underwater treadmills and a living room to help dogs adjust to a home environment. Indoor and outdoor off-leash areas and an agility and scent course are also part of the plan. "We're very excited about the relationship we're building with the Ontario SPCA," says Morey. "Having two Societies together in this one building is going to be an incredible partnership in animal welfare."



## Humane Society of Kawartha Lakes' 19th Annual Golf Tournament fundraiser sells out



Golfers hit the links for animals in need at the Humane Society of Kawartha Lakes' 19th Annual Golf Tournament, raising over \$9,600 for the Society.

Golfers of all calibers came out on August 24, 2017 to support animals in need at the Humane Society of Kawartha Lakes' 19th Annual Golf Tournament.

The tournament, hosted at Oliver's Nest Golf Club in Oakwood, sold out for the first time in its history, and raised over \$9,600 for the Society. A record high number of sponsors came forward to support animals in their community. Businesses and donors provided support by donating wine, silent auction items, prizes and by becoming hole sponsors. Oliver's Nest offered a "2 for 1 Greens Fee" pass to each hole sponsor.

Local radio show host, Dave Illman, from 91.9 Bob FM was the celebrity guest MC at the event. In addition to a beautiful day of golfing among century old trees and the quiet meandering of the Mariposa Brook, participants enjoyed lunch and dinner, as well as took part in a wine pull, silent auction and ball toss 50/50 draw. "The community really came together on this," says Katie Virag-Cavanagh, Community Relations Coordinator, Humane Society of Kawartha Lakes. "The Humane Society is looking forward to providing exciting new things for their 20th annual tournament in 2018."

## Timmins Paws-a-looza fundraiser brings in almost \$8,000

The Timmins & District Humane Society's first ever Paws-a-looza karaoke fundraiser night had everyone on their feet and singing – to the tune of almost \$8,000 raised for animals in need.

The 12-hour long event took place March 25, 2017 at Casey's Bar and Grill in Timmins. From noon to midnight, participants enjoyed live entertainment, live and silent auctions, as well as a balloon busting bonanza and more. Generously donated items and prizes included everything from VIP tickets to the Timmins Stars and Thunder Festival, spa packages and massages, to gift baskets, tools and more. The live auction alone helped raise \$2,650, with 100 per cent of proceeds going to assist stray, unwanted, and abused animals.

This event would not have been possible without the Timmins & District Humane Society's incredible supporters and sponsors in the community, as well as organizers Andrea Blair and Moe Giroux. They gave their time and creativity to make this event a success.

"On behalf of Timmins & District Humane Society, I'd like to thank all businesses and individual donors, as well as staff and volunteers for their overwhelming support," says Alicia Santamaria, Manager, Timmins & District Humane Society. "This was our first year doing a karaoke fundraiser and it proved to be a lot of fun for everyone. We hope to do it again in the future!"

## Quinte Humane Society changing lives through Seniors for Seniors program

The Quinte Humane Society is enriching the lives of seniors and finding homes for senior pets through its Seniors for Seniors program, an initiative that has been quietly changing lives in the community.

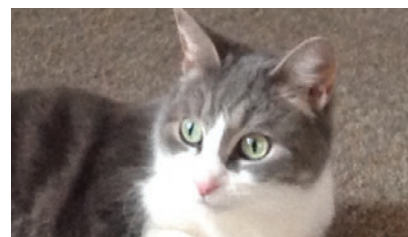
The inspiration for the program arose when it was identified that younger pets were being chosen over cats and dogs six years of age and older. The goal of the Seniors for Seniors program is to give those animals a home, while providing members of the community over the age of 65, with the companionship of a mature pet, at a reduced adoption fee.

"With strange noises and smells, senior pets typically don't do well in a shelter environment," says Frank Rockett, Executive Director, Quinte Humane Society. "They often come to us due to their owner's

change in financial circumstances or living arrangements, or they were owned by a senior who passed away."

Seniors for Seniors is beneficial for pets, and people. Not only do these animals have the opportunity to spend their golden years in a loving home, but it's improved the well-being of the seniors who adopted them. Rockett says he's been contacted by the children of seniors who have adopted pets to share the positive effect the pet has had on the well-being of their loved one. He hears stories of people who are unable to leave the house, but now have companionship the of their cat or dog and about seniors in the community who are now more active since they adopted a dog through the program.

"The number of senior animals we adopt out is small," says Rockett, "but the impact on each individual adopting the pet is huge."



Cleo has settled into her new home since being adopted from the Quinte Humane Society's Seniors for Seniors program. The program gives senior pets a home while providing members of the community over the age of 65, with the companionship of a mature pet, at a reduced adoption fee.



Lincoln, a kitten named through the Kitten Kare program, gets ready to leave the shelter with his adopter.

## Humane Society of Durham Region launches sponsorship program

Through its new Kitten Kare sponsorship program, the Humane Society of Durham Region offers another opportunity for the public to help animals in need.

In April 2017, the Humane Society began its Kitten Kare sponsorship program. For a tax receiptable “Kitty Kare” gift of \$150, sponsors can submit a name suggestion and receive updates on the progress of their sponsored kitten during the weeks leading up to the animal’s adoption.

There’s no commitment to adopt in this program, so cat enthusiasts who aren’t in a position to adopt have the opportunity to get involved in the adoption process.

Throughout the year, the Humane Society of Durham Region raised about \$4,000 in donations through this program. The best part, according to board member Cindy Bennett who initiated the program, was how involved sponsors got with the process. Bennett says she was touched to see many sponsors use the opportunity of naming a kitten, to make a dedication to someone they love.

“People are so happy to name the kittens, and get updates on their progress,” Bennett says. “They get to feel involved while knowing they are doing a good thing for animals in their community.”

## Niagara Falls Humane Society hosts movie nights to help animals

The Niagara Falls Humane Society used “the big screen” to bring their community together to support animals in need.

The Humane Society held two movie night events in 2017 to raise funds for animals in their care. The first was held at the end of March 2017 at the Seneca Queen Theatre in downtown Niagara Falls for the movie premiere of the Niagara-made comedy, Gorge. Billed as a “thrillarious tale of tragedy,” it stars David Green, Levi Mann, Rihan Rahsi, Marc Calaguiro, Jason Smith and Jeffrey Stroop. This red-carpet event, sponsored by Big Texas Niagara, featured live stand-up comedy from the cast, live music from score creator Rod Standish, as well as raffles, prizes and special guests. Over 100 people from the community attended, and the event raised \$3,000 for the Niagara Falls Humane Society.

The second fundraising movie event of the year was the Humane Society’s Pups, PJs and Popcorn outdoor movie night on June 24, 2017, screening Beauty and the Beast. The Society set up an inflatable screen on their property and the community came out with lawn chairs and blankets to enjoy the show. Guests enjoyed watching the 2017 remake while enjoying delicious barbecue food and popcorn, raising \$1,000 for the animals.

“Thank you to everyone who came out to support our movie nights,” says Cathy Fugler, Managing Director, Niagara Falls Humane Society. “These events were a lot of fun and truly made a difference for the animals in our care. We couldn’t do what we do without our community standing behind us.”

## Mobile spay/neuter clinic sets sail to Christian Island

On a warm weekend in October, a group of partners and volunteers took the ferry to Christian Island on Georgian Bay after being invited by the Beausoleil First Nation’s Elders, Chief and Band Council to bring an animal wellness and spay/neuter clinic to their community.

On October 22, the Welland & District SPCA loaded its mobile surgery trailer on the ferry to the island and set up a two-day clinic in the local community centre. Many other partners also joined the team, including the Ontario SPCA Midland & District Animal Centre, vet students from the University of Guelph, RVT and vet assistants from veterinary clinics in Mississauga, Stoney Creek and Toronto, and Petsmart Charities of Canada.

A total of 124 wellness exams were completed, and 61 spay/neuter



Many Beausoleil First Nation pet owners brought their animals to the clinic.

surgeries on 41 dogs and 20 cats. Pet owners were welcomed to be a part of the process and stay with their animal throughout the procedure.

“Our partners are an inspiring group,” says John Greer, Executive Director, Welland & District SPCA. “We look forward to continuing what I consider a friendship with the Beausoleil First Nation to support their animal welfare initiatives on the island.”

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