Dear Friend,

Food + Water + Shelter + Love = Family.

It’s a simple equation. Like humans, these are the things pets need to survive and thrive. For 140 years, it has been our mission to forge lasting, loving connections between people and pets – cats, dogs, rabbits, birds as well as the occasional horse, goat or pig – across Delaware.

In the beginning, our focus was on the welfare of “working” horses and mules that moved people and goods through downtown Wilmington. Times changed. Cars replaced horses and buggies. Families moved to the suburbs and wanted pets. As the world changed, we changed too.

Here are a few facts that might surprise you:

- We have a 93% release rate, meaning that at least 9 out of 10 animals that enter our Stanton and Georgetown shelters go on to better lives in new homes.
- Our two high-quality spay/neuter clinics keep hundreds-of-thousands of unplanned and unwanted animals off Delaware streets each year. In 2012 we spayed and neutered 8,880 animals.
- Nearly 500 cases of animal cruelty were investigated in 2012; 83 were adjudicated in Delaware because of our research and action.
- Dozens of community programs are held each month, including vaccination clinics, volunteer training, disaster relief programs, adoption events and more.

Yet no matter how many animals we save and place, there are always more to fill our shelters, more to be rescued, more to be helped. As our state’s oldest and most consistent voice for animal welfare, we will continue to give every animal under our care the opportunity to find a loving family and a happy home.

On behalf of our staff and volunteer leadership, I want to express our heartfelt gratitude to everyone who has supported our efforts over the years. Your generosity has saved lives. We hope you will read the following stories to see just what a difference we have made together.

Sincerely,

Al Mollica, Executive Director

Mission
The mission of the Delaware SPCA is to prevent animal cruelty, homelessness and neglect and to promote the humane treatment of animals in the State of Delaware.

Board of Directors
It is with gratitude that we recognize the hard working board members who tirelessly raise awareness and funds for our cause:

Pamela C. Biddle, President
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David T. Heaney, Treasurer
Diane L. Ferry, Ph.D., Secretary
Chris T. Anderson
Richard Byrne
Charles F. du Pont
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Margaret Sears Lindley
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Elizabeth A. Simpler
Kathy Spreen, M.D.
Andrew C. Zimmerman

A Special Thank You
Sometimes the four-footed among us need a fearless two-footed champion, and that’s what animals across the state received when Anne Cavanaugh took the reins as executive director in 2008. In concert with the Board of Directors, Anne worked tirelessly to evolve the culture and mission of our organization, raising the live release rate dramatically, introducing the state’s only high quality/high volume spay and neuter clinics, and implementing a plan towards financial stability.

We offer our thanks to Anne.

Connecting People & Pets Since 1873
From wagon wheels to transport vans and everything in between, Delaware SPCA has led the mission for animal welfare for 140 years. Here are some of the milestone moments that have made a difference for people and pets across our state.

For more about our history visit www.delsPCA.org.

1870. .Pharmacist Ferris Bringhurst holds meeting to discuss treatment of working animals. Wilmington Fountain Society is formed. (Bringhurst is killed at the age of 34 in a lab explosion, 1871.)
1874. .First charge of animal cruelty brought; Henry Derry found guilty for beating a cow; fined $5.
1885. .First office opened in Wilmington.
1886. .First contract with the City of Wilmington to impound stray dogs.
1919. .First vehicle purchased.
1941. .New shelter opens on Garasches Lane in Wilmington at a cost of $9,545.
1956. .First rabies vaccination clinic held.
1960. .Land purchased on Churchman’s Road for a new shelter.
1964. .Spay/neuter program launched.
1972. .New shelter built at Stanton location at a cost of $400,000.
1972. .Delaware SPCA annexes Sussex chapter; constructs a shelter on DuPont Hwy in Georgetown.
2006. .Organization gives up state animal control contract after decades of high euthanasia rates.
2008. .Anne Cavanaugh hired; develops first operating budget. Organization declares itself a no/low-kill shelter Euthanasia declines 70%. No animal to leave the shelter without being spayed or neutered.
2009. .New, state of the art Spay/Neuter Clinic opens in Stanton with $80,000 grant from PetSmart Charities. Delaware SPCA accepted into the prestigious Humane Alliance National Spay/Neuter Response Team.
2011. .Georgetown Spay/Neuter Clinic receives PetSmart Charities grant for $45,000 for equipment.
2011. .Organization deficit cut by 50%. Euthanasia drops by 92% from 2007 levels.
2012. .Spay/Neuter approaches 8,880 for the year, a 19% increase over 2007.
2013. .Organization surpasses 30,000 spay/neuter surgeries preventing hundreds of thousands of unwanted pets.
Saving lives in fiscal 2012 – Caring for and placing 2,989 animals

Live Release Rate

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<tr>
<td>Rate</td>
<td>79%</td>
<td>84%</td>
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*Unhealthy/untreatable: Humanely euthanized for serious medical or behavioral issues to end unnecessary suffering
**Died of natural causes: came to the shelter ill or injured and passed away in our care

Preventing Animal Homelessness – Spay/Neuter Services

Total number of procedures

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<td>Procedures</td>
<td>4,002</td>
<td>5,212</td>
<td>7,186</td>
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What Difference Does Spay and Neuter Make?

In 2012, Delaware SPCA spayed or neutered 8,882 animals; 5,751 cats and 3,131 dogs. What difference does spay/neuter make?

Had these 8,882 animals remained viable for reproduction, in one year they could have produced as many as 34,500 cats and 25,000 dogs. Over a reproductive lifetime (average 7 years) that would have equaled more than 416,000 cats and dogs.

Reuniting People & Pets

154 dogs and 33 cats were reunited with their families.

Community Service

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<th>Program</th>
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<td>Volunteer Training</td>
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<td>Vaccination/Microchip Clinics</td>
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<td>Adoption Events</td>
<td>48</td>
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<td>Local Fundraisers</td>
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Stopping Animal Cruelty

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<tr>
<td>Total Cases Investigated</td>
<td>494</td>
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<tr>
<td>Total Arrests Made</td>
<td>31</td>
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<td>Total Criminal Charges</td>
<td>83</td>
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Improving Lives

Delaware SPCA offers programs aimed at improving animals’ quality of life and keeping pets in homes, instead of being turned over to a shelter, because of financial hardship. In 2012, for instance, we offered food assistance by providing thousands of pounds of cat and dog food to owners from our Pet Pantry. We managed disaster relief pet shelters during Hurricane Sandy and other major storms, and provided monthly vaccine and microchip clinics across the state.

Volunteer Commitment

Two shelters. More than 2,500 animals and 100 community programs and events. It takes a lot of hands to help paws-in-need!

Nearly 340 volunteers gave time to the Stanton and Georgetown Shelters in 2012. More than 400 kittens, puppies and adult animals were cared for by foster volunteers until they were able to be placed up for adoption. Want to volunteer? Check our website for opportunities and training schedules.
Highlights

It was a very busy year at the Delaware SPCA’s New Castle and Sussex County shelters. Here are just a few of the highlights and accomplishments that made a difference for animals throughout the state.

The Georgetown Spay/Neuter Clinic reopened with a full-time veterinarian, while volunteers raised enough donations to design and install a park-like dog run. A successful Bark on the Boards fundraising event raised critical operating funds. In Stanton, a new free-roaming cat room and outdoor dog runs were added.

Governor Jack Markell, center, Anne Cavanaugh and supporters witness the signing of the Anti-Tethering bill into law so that dogs like this won’t be sentenced to a 24/7 life on rope.

Programs like “Primp Your Pit,” funded by PetSmart Charities, reduce pet overpopulation and make spay/neuter affordable for all pet owners.

The Second Chance Fund and discounts by local veterinary partners make it possible to provide emergency medical care to dozens of seriously ill and injured animals each year.

Bark on the Boards, held each fall on the Rehoboth Beach Boardwalk, is a highly anticipated and well-attended fundraiser that helps pay for crucial supplies and programs.

Organization surpasses 30,000 spay/neuter surgeries since opening its first high-quality, high-volume clinics in 2009 (Stanton) and 2011 (Georgetown), preventing hundreds of thousands of unwanted pets. Delaware SPCA is leading spay/neuter provider in the state.

A night to remember: Volunteers from the Delaware SPCA’s Georgetown Shelter were awarded the Governor’s Outstanding Volunteer Award.

Delaware SPCA Joins Response to Hurricane Sandy

Delaware SPCA staff and volunteers, working with the Delaware Department of Agriculture, set up and staffed three pet-friendly evacuation shelters in New Castle and Sussex Counties during Hurricane Sandy. Over the course of the storm, our shelters provided refuge for 41 dogs, cats and birds and their humans.

Financial Information

Fiscal Year Ending June 30, 2013

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<td>Management and General</td>
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<td>Fundraising</td>
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<td><strong>Total Functional Expenses</strong></td>
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INCOME:

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<td>City of Wilmington Animal Control</td>
<td>345,000</td>
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<td>Contributions and Grants</td>
<td>260,886</td>
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<td>In-Kind Contributions</td>
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<td>Income From Bequests</td>
<td>143,998</td>
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<td>Restitution Income</td>
<td>3,317</td>
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<td>Investment Gain</td>
<td>467,343</td>
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<td>Gain on Sale of Assets</td>
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<td>Interest and Dividend Income</td>
<td>80,513</td>
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<td>Miscellaneous Income</td>
<td>102</td>
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<td>Special Events</td>
<td>94,069</td>
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<td>Net Assets Released From Restrictions</td>
<td>118,150</td>
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<td><strong>Total Support and Revenue</strong></td>
<td>2,227,971</td>
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Celebrating 140 Years: Canines on the Catwalk

A great time was had by all at the Delaware SPCA’s Canines on the Catwalk hosted November 16th at the Greenville Country Club. Over 200 people turned out to help us celebrate 140 years of connecting people and pets, and raising $30,000 for the animals. The highlight of the evening was the runway show, featuring Delaware SPCA alumni and adoptable pets all decked out in fun fashions. From Yorkies in rhinestones to pit bulls in “hounds”tooth, the pets put their best paw forward and wowed the crowd!

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Here are just a few of the 1,641 pets and the families who adopted them into their forever homes last year.

Thank you to each and every adopter who saved an animal’s life.

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Thank You!

The Delaware SPCA is grateful to our donors and supporters who make our lifesaving work possible. We are happy to share the following list of friends who donated $100 or more between July 1, 2012 and June 30, 2013. While we do not have enough space to list all donors in this report, we offer our heartfelt thanks to all of our supporters. Every effort has been made to ensure this list is complete and accurate. If you find errors or omissions, please do not hesitate to contact us.

$10,000+
- PetSMART Charities
- Estate Of Mark W. Kopac
- Estate Of M. Couvert
- Estate Of Judith M. Thomas
- State of Delaware Grant In Aid

$5,000+
- Joan Collins Trust
- Estate Of Otto Capasso
- Estate of Ronald G Minnick
- Nason Construction Inc
- Keith O'Donnell
- James Roberts
- T&T Contracting Inc
- Dan Warren and Kerry Foisy
- Elizabeth Worth
- Windcrest Animal Hospital

$2,500+
- Carol Roberts and Henry Charles
- Coach Matching Gift Program
- Robert Couser Trust
- Debra and Paul Evaul
- Joel Fishman and Pamela Biddle
- H. Burke Flickinger
- JP Morgan Chase Foundation

$1,000+
- Kathleen Anderson
- ASPCA
- Bernard and Helen Balic
- Bank of America Charitable Foundation
- Sandra Beall
- Christopher Beshe and Karen Barnes
- Sam and Lesley Bowers
- Browneabout Shops Inc
- Lila Goodman and Arthur Brown
- Estate of Mary Burke
- Anne Cavanaugh
- Concord Pet Food & Supplies
- Samuel and Diane Cooper
- Gerret and Tatiana Copeland
- Martha Courtemanche
- Charles and Kathy Cruze
- CIs of Inc.
- William and Lynda Daywalt
- J Simpson Dean
- Henry du Pont
- Charles du Pont
- Edgar A Thomson Foundation
- Diane Ferry
- David Fischbach and Georgia Tugend
- Leonard and Theresa Fitch
- T.A. and Martha Fireweaver
- Hildy Forman
- Susan Fregren
- Fur-Baby Boutique & Doggie Daycare
- Michael and Kathleen Gallagher
- Catherine Halen
- David Heaney
- Kathleen Anderson
- Gerard and Pauline Higgins
- Idaj Miller Foundation
- Mark Jenkinson
- Gerald and Mary Lu Johnston
- Marc Kehoe
- Holly Kershner
- Gerry and Clara Klus
- David and Mark Koehrer
- Sandra Lazar
- Daniel and Margaret Lindley
- Jerome and Linda Markiewicz
- Dewey Beach Car Club Society
- John and Elizabeth McDonnell
- William and Carol Mcclachan
- Mildred Linnering Memorial Fund
- Frank Nickel
- Gordon Peach and Mary Ann Plankinton-Peach
- John and Beth Peoples
- PetaArmor
- Carolyn Riecke
- Steven Sandman
- Robert Schum