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PJ Catt Finds His Furevers

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Sebastian knew something was off. The humans were arguing, throwing pots and pans into boxes. He watched as they threw clothes and bedding into bags, including his favorite blanket. "No pets," he heard one say, "we'll just have to leave it." They tossed his dinner dish in the trash. He was scooped up and put in the bathroom. The door slammed. Then silence.

He took a nap on the hard tile floor. When he woke up it was dark and he was hungry. He gave a long, plaintive cry.

Maybe it was that cry that caught the attention of the person who reported an abandoned cat to the APL. Regardless, the Humane Investigations team was notified not a moment too soon. They went to the empty apartment and rescued the neglected boy. The APL staff named him Sebastian.

Staff members examined Sebastian, fed him, and placed him in a kennel. He was relieved not to be alone, but he was lonely.

People did stop by his kennel to see him, like one man with a soft voice who reached out to Sebastian and began to scratch him behind the ears in exactly the right way. Sebastian was a little embarrassed to find himself drooling. "Dylan," he heard a woman's voice say, "who have you got there?" Now THIS was a man who understood cats and knew just what cats liked. The man and woman left shortly after that. Sebastian was a little sad. That guy really did know the best cat-scratch places.

The next day, Sebastian was taken out of his kennel, put into a cardboard box, and carried outside. A kind, vaguely familiar voice reassured him as he was placed into a car. "Well," he reasoned, "I guess I'll find out where the other cats go. And, at least I'm not being left behind."

Tabitha was delighted that she and her boyfriend had



PJ enjoys every day in his loving home.

made the decision to adopt a cat. Tabitha couldn't stop thinking about the handsome black and white tuxedo cat she'd seen the day before, and how happy that cat had looked when he was getting some attention. That's how Sebastian came to be riding in her car, on his way home.

When the box opened, Sebastian realized he knew the lady's friendly voice from her visit to the APL the day before. And who was that with her? The cat scratcher guy! Wow. He couldn't believe his luck.

Sebastian got a new legal name, Pepper Jack Catt, PJ Catt for short. A year and a half later, PJ still marvels at his good fortune. The cat-scratcher guy is his dad, and PJ gets those amazing cat cuddles whenever he likes. And blankets? PJ has at least a dozen, at least one for every season and holiday. And his mom understands that those blankets are not just for sleeping, but also for kneading, dragging through the house, making nests and photo ops. Despite having lost many of his teeth, he still play-attacks

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Bennie's BLURB

Letter from the President and CEO

Sharon Harvey
and Bennie



DO NOT believe everything you read—from anywhere. Well, unless it's right here in Pet Patter!

Back in May, a handful of national and many local and online media sources ran stories with eye-catching and alarming headlines. "Everyone wanted a puppy when the pandemic began, but now those dogs are being returned," USA Today. "Pandemic puppies returned to shelters as COVID-19 restrictions lift," The Hill. "Pets adopted during COVID are being returned in record numbers," NY Post. But wait, it just wasn't true!

Shelter leaders from across the country and at least one company with access to a vast amount of animal shelter data through its shelter database platform reached out to dispute these claims. Statistics from Shelter Animals Count, a national database for animal shelters and rescue groups, also contradicted the claims. Yet, the stories kept running and spreading because animal-related stories drive clicks. That's a wonderful perk for animal welfare organizations when raising truthful awareness, but, this time, it magnified an inaccurate story of doom for adopted pets.

Actual data showed that shelters across the country experienced a reduction in return rates for adopted animals during 2020 and into 2021—and so has the Cleveland APL. A survey involving more than 5,000 respondents conducted by the ASPCA® showed that while one in five households acquired a pet during the pandemic, 87% of respondents haven't considered rehoming their pet. The vast majority of pandemic pets are still in their homes—90% of dogs and 85% of cats. So, while animal surrenders

are, indeed, beginning to drift back up compared to 2020, we shouldn't be surprised by this realignment with 2019 pre-pandemic numbers. We must remember that many shelters had to curtail operations in compliance with public health orders, making comparisons to 2020 deeply flawed.

Thankfully, media outlets such as The New York Times eventually corrected the record with headlines reassuring readers that, "No, people are not returning pandemic pups in droves." Snopes, a well-known internet myth buster weighed in to dispute the headlines. And pandemic adopters, when asked if they were considering surrendering their pandemic pet, were horrified at the thought. After all, their pets had been there by their side, every day, to provide vital companionship during months of social isolation. Were some having challenges with returning to work? Yes, and they were committed to working it out because they owed it to their best friend. Will some of these pets come back to shelters? They always do, pandemic or no pandemic. Might this be true in some communities? Sure, but they're not being returned in the unthinkable droves that was hyped despite data to the contrary.

Why is this important? Because we work in a field where we see the worst of humanity, unthinkable cruelty. It's a minority of the time, but when we see it, it sticks. When we tell you about it, it sticks with you. Those images and stories can create challenges with trust. But SO much more often, we experience the best of humanity—like the wonderful pet owners who just need a break and a helping hand during hard times and, yes, knowing you're there to give animals your support.

In this new era of animal welfare,

we are rewriting an old, inaccurate, unfair narrative that has scrolled through our brains for years and spending more time celebrating the deep bond that most people, regardless of their lot in life, have with their pets. A bond that leads many to suffer personal hardship before parting with their beloved pet. With your ongoing support, we will provide resources that preserve both the human-animal bond and human dignity.

So, the moral of the story? As Abraham Lincoln once wisely said, "Don't believe everything you read on the internet." And I'll add, don't assume the worst of people, because you'll usually be wrong.



A Letter from Our Capital Campaign Spokesdog

Every day at the Cleveland APL is different, not just because of all of the amazing programs and services they provide, but also because of the new areas that are opening as construction is completed! Two of those very important areas are the groom room and a dog isolation area.

For pet parents, grooming is a basic part of caring for their furry friends. I know, because my mom and dad give me baths even when I think my muddy paws are a fashion statement! And whether it's to help make animals feel more comfortable or simply to help them look and smell their best for new adopters, the Cleveland APL has wonderful volunteers who dedicate their time to grooming the animals (typically dogs, but the occasional messy kitten as well) in their care.

Before construction began, the grooming station was in the same room as where Animal Care Associates washed food bowls and prepared our food. It also served as a major access between the dog holding areas and the hallway leading outside, a check-in station for all dog walkers, and even held desk space for one staff member. It was a REALLY busy place. Can you believe one room did all of that? This was another example of how my friends at the APL used every spare inch of every room and why this renovation is so important for the animals and staff.

That room was the first to be cleared out when construction started and is now the APL's central, high efficiency laundry and food prep room. But animals still needed to have baths and get groomed. My friends at the APL are great at finding creative solutions and caring for us animals; they always put us first! So, the amazing APL volunteers came up with other, creative places to groom my friends for a few months! But not anymore. Now, the volunteers and animals have access to a very nice groom room that is dedicated to providing the best care possible!



The new, updated kennels in the dog isolation area.

Spokesdog
Indiana Bones
poses in a comfy
robe after a
bath.



To some people, that might not seem like much. But for some of my friends who have arrived at the APL with pounds of dirty, matted fur or for my friends who are saved by Humane Agents from filthy situations, this care is critical! Even though I don't always think I need a bath, I have to admit, I like how good I feel and how nice I smell after one!

As for the dog isolation area, that's an important step toward stopping the spread of contagious diseases—something that is so important for a shelter. Before, the APL had two choices for dog isolation in their very busy shelter. The first was a room containing a few outdated kennels and one low-walled area that only worked for small dogs who wouldn't jump out. The other option was to rope off the far end of their dog holding area so that dog walkers couldn't walk healthy and sick dogs past each other. It wasn't great, but, again, my amazing friends at the APL always make the very best of what they have.

Now, there is a dedicated dog isolation area with nine nice, new kennels. As it's a smaller space, it's also less stressful for dogs in treatment. This helps the APL to fulfill their goals of reducing the spread of infectious diseases—like kennel cough—AND providing a fear-free place for animals to stay and recover. At the end of the day, less sickness means less time spent waiting to be adopted! It's a win-win if you ask me!

The final part of the construction is all about helping animals stay happy and healthy while they wait for their perfect families. The APL team has just \$1.2 million left to raise to reach their \$13.5 million goal to complete this project, so now's your time to help animals! Visit UnleashtheDream.org to learn more about the Capital Campaign and donate today!

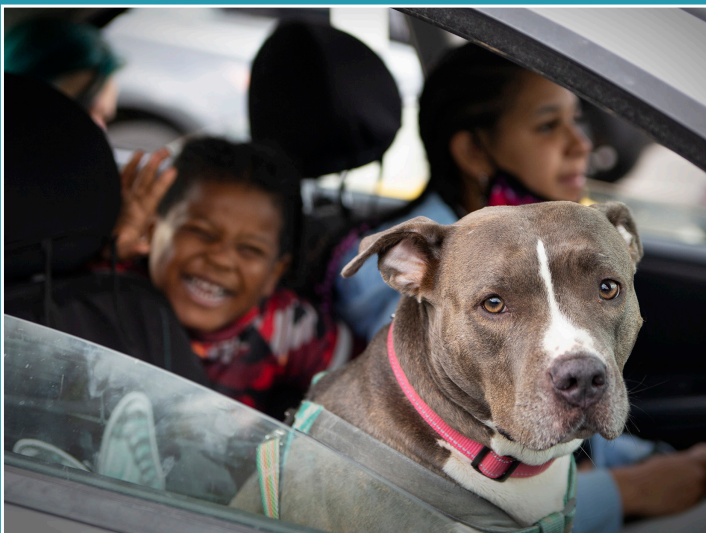
Project CARE Hits the...Parking Lot

Last year, during the heart of the pandemic, the Cleveland APL's project CARE (Community Animal Retention Effort) was one of the services that helped more animals and their people than ever before. This program's goal is to help pet owners who are on government assistance within the City of Cleveland provide care to their pets during times of hardship by providing access to critical resources.

Our team has always known that there is a need for low-cost animal care in our area, but when the COVID-19 crisis began, our team learned just how much our help was needed. Many pet owners in the City of Cleveland needed help with food and simple veterinary care. And our team was more than happy to be there—helping more than 1,000 animals in need!

This year, our project CARE team continued to provide the care that pets and their families need by offering "Drive-Thru Prevention Conventions" in April and May. During these drive-thru clinics, pet owners and pets had access to low-cost preventative vaccines without leaving their cars! Our amazing project CARE team, veterinary team, and volunteers worked together to administer vaccines, discuss spay/neuter, and pass out job applications for open positions at the Cleveland APL. They even diagnosed a case of double entropion, a painful eye condition. In all, 54 dogs and 2 cats were assisted, and this is only the beginning.

If you are interested in learning more about project CARE, please contact Joy Butch, Program Manager, via e-mail at projectCARE@clevelandapl.org or call 216-255-5012.



Animals and their families received help from our team from the safety of their cars.

Happy Tale

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PJ Catt

his people with gusto, enjoying the "hunt," chasing and attacking their arms. He loves climbing to high perches and watching the world out the window. And one of his favorite things? Sleeping with his mom and dad, then waking them up in the middle of the night to play. Do they mind? "Of course not," laughs Tabitha, "we wouldn't have it any other way...he's more special to me than I could have ever imagined." Every year, PJ and Tabitha celebrate their birthdays together, with a big, combined celebration on Halloween. But PJ celebrates his amazing life every single day.

Tabitha is grateful for the chance to have found this missing family member. She says, "Thank you for giving me the opportunity to meet my little best friend. He's the funniest, sweetest, most wild guy I've ever met...I hope everyone can enjoy the love and fulfillment that comes with adopting a shelter cat someday."

Interested in more pictures of this handsome lad? You can follow PJ on Instagram @PJCatt.



PJ loves to watch the world outside of his window.

To Make a Donation to the APL:

Visit us at www.ClevelandAPL.org or mail your check to the Cleveland Animal Protective League, Attention Development Office, 1729 Willey Avenue, Cleveland, Ohio 44113. (Tax ID: 34-0714644)

Another Happy Tale

These Little Piggies Went to School...

When we talk about adopting a new family member from the APL, we're usually talking about a cat or a dog. But here at the APL, we believe in giving all sorts of animals second chances, including guinea pigs!

The pandemic brought lots of changes to our lives. For Ashley and her family, it meant a decision to switch to home schooling. While they already had a Cavapoo, Stella, the kids—who may be budding lawyers—reasoned that if they were now a “class” together, they should have a “class pet.”

Fortunately, Ashley and her husband are good-natured animal lovers, and they agreed. So began the arrival of guinea pigs.

The first to come home was Winnapeg, a small blond Abyssinian guinea pig. Winnie came to the APL with an injured foot. After some medical care, he went to a foster home for a little TLC, then was ready to assume his new role as class pet. With that role came a new, sweeter name, “S’more.” S’more performed his duties as class pet well. Still, with January came a new semester, and reinforcements were needed. The family returned to the APL for class pet number two, a tiny baby guinea pig with



S’more, the first piggie to join the family, enjoying a veggie skewer.

the rather-scientific-sounding name Circle 269E. His name quickly was changed to Brownie, to match his chocolate brown accent fur.

The kids love their class pets; even Stella the Cavapoo seemed to enjoy their company, licking their tiny feet. Apparently, guinea pigs are like potato chips—it’s hard to have just one or two. A neighbor gave them a Piggie Condo—a large, divided crate that serves as a miniature apartment building with four separate apartments. Soon, with the addition of Butterscotch, Peanut and Twix, the “building” was full. Brothers Butterscotch and Peanut came to the APL together, and now happily share a large apartment in the condo building. Initially they were not fond of being held, but now they love it. Twix is the wise, mellow elder of the crew. Brownie is tiny, but is the loudest, squeakiest one. And S’more is easy-going, having recovered from his early medical issues.

As life has returned to normal, the kids have stayed engaged with their pets, particularly son Andrew, age ten. It’s often declared to be “piggy play time,” and the guinea pigs come out of their apartments to play on the lawn (supervised, of course). Sometimes one or two get to head up to Andrew’s bed for some one-on-one time. As the kids learn to take care of their little family members, the pigs live a life grazing on colorful apples and carrots and bananas, and cavorting in the grass. Having them has brought such joy that Ashley and her family are now considering becoming an APL foster family to help even more animals find their forever homes!

For their excellent work in teaching animal care and responsibility and, of course, being adorable, these little pigs should move to the head of the class!



Brownie enjoying “piggy play time.”

Volunteer with the APL

Share your love of animals and become a Cleveland Animal Protective League volunteer.

Interested in helping the animals at the Cleveland APL from your own home? Email our foster team at Foster@ClevelandAPL.org to join our amazing foster team today!

Interested in helping the animals of the Cleveland APL in our shelter or at events? Check out our website at www.ClevelandAPL.org for dates of upcoming volunteer sessions.



Fur Ball 2021 Sails & Tails

The Cleveland APL's Annual Gala—Celebrate with Us!

Mark your calendar today! This year's Fur Ball Gala will take place on Saturday, November 6 at the InterContinental Cleveland Hotel. This year you can attend the event in person, or watch it from the comfort of your own home.

Our annual Fur Ball Gala is such a critical event for our organization because it is a special opportunity to raise money for our Second Chance Program. All animals deserve the medical care and loving attention they need while they are at the APL, and our Second Chance Program, which is funded solely by donations from compassionate people like you, helps us provide that care for animals who have nowhere else to turn.

This unique occasion will celebrate the animals who have been given second chances during some of the hardest times we have ever seen. We all know how essential a second chance is, and your continued support will be just that for the animals who come to the APL in need.

We hope you'll join us for a memorable and unique experience that will benefit the Cleveland APL's Second Chance Program. And, for the first time our auction will be open earlier than ever before! Make sure to keep an eye on our website the first week in November for the opening of our silent auction!

To learn more about this year's event and how you can get involved, please check our website at www.ClevelandAPL.org as more information is unveiled!

To support our Second Chance Program, please visit www.ClevelandAPL.org and use the drop-down "Donate" tab and select "Second Chance Program."



Thank You WKYC Channel 3 for Hosting the 10th Annual Fur-Get-Me-Not Telethon

The tenth annual Fur-Get-Me-Not Telethon aired on Thursday, April 8, on WKYC Channel 3. This wonderful event was hosted by Joe Cronauer. Between 5 a.m. and 7:30 p.m., viewers saw vignettes that showcased the diverse and meaningful work the APL does to rescue, heal, nurture, adopt and advocate for animals in need.

The event brought the community together and inspired viewers to make a donation to help the thousands of animals who will be assisted by the Cleveland APL this year.

Our Fur-Get-Me-Not Telethon continued to look different this year due to the COVID-19 pandemic. Many interviews were conducted outside with social distancing, and we had a limited number of volunteers on the phone bank. But, despite these challenges, we were overwhelmed by our community's support in making this the MOST SUCCESSFUL Fur-Get-Me-Not Telethon ever—more than \$85,000 had been raised to support the life-saving work we do here at the Cleveland APL when we went off of the air. Your support continued to roll in, and over \$100,000 was raised in total for this year's event!!

We are so grateful to our friends at Channel 3, celebrity host Joe Cronauer and all of the sponsors who made this event possible during such a critical time. A special thank you to Presenting Sponsor Cavitch Familo & Durkin!



Cleveland APL President & CEO Sharon Harvey and WKYC's Joe Cronauer with Maxine at this year's Telethon.

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Celebrating our Fosters This National Foster Month

During National Foster Month in June, the Cleveland APL joined our friends at Petco Love in celebrating our amazing foster care volunteers and featuring their stories!

In 2020, as our shelter shifted to help animals amidst the pandemic, our foster care volunteers truly made a huge difference, helping to clear out our shelter at the beginning of the shutdown of all but 30 to 40 animals. They then continued to provide housing and care that was and is always less stressful for our animals. We are thankful to the 405 foster volunteers who provided a total of 109,059 volunteer hours to house and care for 1,371 dogs, 1,768 cats, and 123 "other" animals!

Many fosters shared their favorite foster stories on our Facebook page, ranging from tales of taking in special needs and hospice animals to celebrating their proudest foster experiences. We all hope their compelling experiences will encourage more people to become foster volunteers and care for APL animals in their homes.

While our foster care volunteers are integral in changing the lives of our animals, we learned through their stories that our foster animals have just as important an impact on our foster volunteers' lives.

As foster care volunteer and 2018 Pet Partner of the Year Suzanne Zupan summed it up perfectly, "Fostering has been so rewarding for our whole family, and we would encourage people to give it a try. Whether you have your own animals or not, if you have the time and space, welcome a shelter animal into your home and heart! We have been fostering for about 5 years, and we can't imagine our home without at least one foster animal!"

Have you ever thought about helping the animals at the Cleveland APL? If so, please email our foster team today at Foster@ClevelandAPL.org to learn more about becoming a foster care volunteer!



A few of the many foster volunteers and animals featured on our Facebook page this June.

Visit the APL

Make sure to check our website at www.ClevelandAPL.org for the most up-to-date open hours.

Shelter Adoption Center Hours

Monday - Friday	11 a.m. to 5 p.m.
Saturday	10 a.m. to 5 p.m.
Sunday	Noon to 4 p.m.
Phone Number:	216-771-4616

Animal Surrender Hours (Intake)

Monday - Friday	11 a.m. to 6:30 p.m.
Saturday	10 a.m. to 5 p.m.
Sunday	Closed
Phone Number:	216-771-8825

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Cat lounge hangouts and adoptions by appointment only.	
Phone Number:	440-941-5130

The Cleveland APL's animals are fed Hill's® Science Diet® pet food.



Sadie: A Tiny Dog Gets a Big Home!

The headline from September 2019 said it all: 84 Emaciated Chihuahuas Rescued from Hoarder. The article went on to explain that the tiny dogs were living in horrific conditions. They were not socialized and weren't even allowed outside! As a result, they were fearful of people and not housebroken. Many suffered from unaddressed medical conditions, too.

With the help of other dog rescue partners, some of the dogs were placed in foster homes and with other agencies, while the APL kept many of the ones in the worst shape, so they would have access to critical medical care. Surprisingly, though it took some time, they all survived.

Sadie was one of those eighty-four dogs. While she needed some medical attention and TLC, she was able to adapt to her change in circumstances quickly and was anxious to find her new home. Sadie's timing was perfect—she was ready to start her new life at precisely the same time that Brenda was looking for a Chihuahua to call her own. Brenda and her daughter rescued horses and had begun attending horse shows; Brenda's daughter had a Chihuahua mix who came with her to the shows, and Brenda wanted a companion of her own.

Brenda met Sadie not long after the Chihuahuas came to the APL. Only a few were available for adoption at that time, and Brenda was warned that they might be shy or nervous. Of the three rescued Chihuahuas Brenda saw, two would not raise their heads to look at her. But she recalls, Sadie came to the front of her kennel, determined to make an impression. She seemed to be saying, "Here I am! Pet me!" Brenda did, and twenty-four hours later, Sadie was on her way to her brand-new life.

Given the terrible circumstances from which Sadie came, she likely would have been content with a fluffy bed, good food,



Sadie now has a very large wardrobe of tiny outfits!

and room to stretch her tiny legs. But, oh, there was so much more in store for Sadie.

Brenda is an experienced wildlife rehabber, who has worked with many kinds of animals, helping them to adjust to their new lives. As a result, she was the ideal person to help Sadie adjust to her new home and surroundings. And Sadie did so quickly!

Sadie hit it off right away with Brenda's daughter. When Sadie met Brenda's two-year-old granddaughter, Brenda taught them both how to interact respectfully, so they could be friends. Sadie met Brenda's daughter's dog, who would be her travel buddy, and they began playing, right from the start.

Brenda methodically introduced Sadie to everything on the twelve-acre parcel on which tiny Sadie now lived. Sadie met the cats, the big, wilder dogs, and the horses. Brenda trained Sadie to stay out of the horse stalls, so she could roam outside with Brenda without getting into any danger—or trouble.

Sadie has become a star of the horse show circuit. She met the other "regulars" on the circuit, and now happily sits on their laps and graciously accepts their compliments on her wardrobe and good behavior. The horse shows include lots of tasty treats, too.

Recently, Brenda introduced Sadie to the biggest surprise of all—a sister! Crystal, a Chihuahua-Cavapoo mix, joined the family to keep Sadie company. Crystal has helped to unleash Sadie's inner wild woman. The two wrestle and chase each other through the house, before Sadie settles back down onto Brenda's lap. The two even share clothes like sisters—but without the fighting!

From a tiny, dirty cage to a twelve-acre paradise and a life of adventures and love! Enjoy your happily ever after, Sadie. You deserve it!



Sadie smiles for the camera while enjoying her twelve-acre paradise!

Barbara Reitzloff, APL Volunteer, assisted in the writing of this issue's happy tales.

Making a Difference

Save the Date for the Dick Goddard APL Telethon on Thursday, September 16

Save the date for the seventh annual Dick Goddard APL Telethon, which will air on Fox 8 from 6 am to 7:30 pm, on Thursday, September 16. Funds raised during the event will help the thousands of animals who the Cleveland APL cares for every year. When you tune in, you will hear stories about the many wonderful animals who are at the APL waiting for loving homes. You will also learn what your donation can do to support the Cleveland APL's life-saving programs and services.

For more information about the telethon and ways in which you can help by making a donation before September 16, please visit www.ClevelandAPL.org.



Fox 8's Natalie Herbick and Cleveland APL Medical Director, Dr. Allison Lash, at last year's Telethon.



Thank You So Much!

Greg Murray Photography & Gibbs Smith, Inc.

For including the Cleveland APL in their Peanut Butter Puppies book release fundraiser drawing.

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For hosting its Annual Dog Wash benefitting the Cleveland APL.

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For donating to the Cleveland APL through its employee Jeans Day.

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For donating to the Cleveland APL through its PAWS (Pet Advocates Within Sherwin-Williams) fundraiser.

Taps & Tails

For partnering with the Cleveland APL for its BrewDog Beer Tasting.

The Art of Real Estate

For donating to the Cleveland APL through its raffle.

Thanks to the generosity and efforts of everyone involved in these events, over \$2,500 was raised to help the Cleveland APL and our animals.

We also appreciate the additional in-kind donations we have received from our friends and supporters.

Other Ways to Give

Many generous individuals choose to donate to the Cleveland APL in lieu of giving gifts for birthdays, weddings, anniversaries, Bat Mitzvahs, Bar Mitzvahs, etc. Their thoughtfulness is a wonderful tribute to their love for animals. Call 216-344-1353 if you would like to learn more about how your celebration can help the APL's homeless animals.

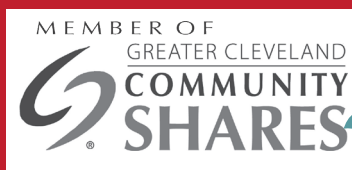
In addition, many individuals choose to give through a workplace giving program.

The Cleveland Animal Protective League is a member of Greater Cleveland Community Shares. Community Shares supports local nonprofit organizations working for long-term, sustainable solutions to build a stronger Cleveland. Learn more about Community Shares at www.communityshares.org, and please consider supporting the APL through workplace giving.

Federal employees also have the opportunity to give to the APL through the Combined Federal Campaign (CFC). The mission of the CFC is to promote and support philanthropy through a program that is employee focused, cost-efficient, and effective in providing all federal employees the opportunity to improve the quality of life for all.

The Cleveland APL's Combined Federal Campaign number is 29857.

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The following tribute gifts were received between March 2021 and May 2021.

A tribute gift of \$50 or more is recognized in Pet Patter.

Tribute donations are a very special way to remember and honor loved ones and pets. Notification will be sent to whomever you ask us to notify.

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Remembering Michael Stanley

This March, we were saddened to hear of the passing of legendary local singer-songwriter, musician and radio personality, Michael Stanley (Gee). This devoted animal lover asked for his love of animals to live on, encouraging his family, friends and fans to donate to the Cleveland APL in lieu of flowers. We are grateful to be chosen as one of the charities for memorial gifts for Michael. And we are so grateful to Michael Stanley's friends and devoted fans for honoring his memory with donations to the Cleveland APL.



Michael Stanley (Gee)

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In Honor of Individual

Roseann Armenti David and Roseann Kaufman
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Becca and Amber Karen Roman

Jo Cameron's Birthday

Jeffrey Gliha
Casey Carter Kerry McMahon
Carol Colangelo Lori O'Hara
April, Andrew, and Alexandra Cordle Mimi and Grand Dad
Marilyn Dubay's 90th Birthday Jim and Marge Sladky
Joan and Charles Eichler and Barnes Nature Stone
Georgene Goodard Nature Stone
Cara Greenwalt, D.V.M. B. Baetz-Greenwalt
Danny Karon's 55th Birthday Keith and Loren Israelstam
Lisa Kriwinsky Mitch and Susan Frankel
Laura Isbell Krzywicki Gary and Mary Saar
Joni Lichtin's Birthday Alan E. Lichtin
Rosie Lukanc John Lukanc
Margaret Meermans Mr. Donald P. Lennon
Paul Miroewski Ben and Julia Brouhard
Mike Pelechaty and Liz Weiler's Wedding Amanda Dedinsky; Rose Haserodt; Theresa Weiler
The Person Who Helped Me Pay for Groceries Eva Tashro
Irene Robinson Anonymous
Blake and Peggy Rowe Cheryl E. Miller
Dorothy Rudolph Nick Catanzarite
Charlene Shimandle Nature Stone
Janet Smith Lisa and Richard Lukich
Marie Stakes Nature Stone
Patt Sullivan's Birthday Megan Gesing
Kathy Tatman Helen France
Mary Lou Webber's 90th Birthday Jim and Marge Sladky
LeAnne Young and Mikey Jiang Joyce Ng

In Memory of Animal

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Arlo Barcus Jana Friess
Athena Mr. and Mrs. William Dlugos
Barney Robin Herrington-Bowen
Beauty Leslie and Elaine Darvas
Bella, Coco, Buster and Molly Anonymous
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Brandy and Scooter Kolar Debbie and Frank Kolar
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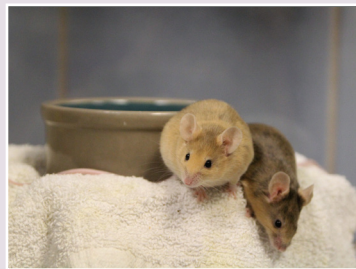


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Chelsea Joyce, Eric, Faye and Harry
Cory Sheila Ives
Dancer Joe, Debi, Teko and Chester
Delilah Anonymous
Dolly (Former APL pup) Melissa Kuhn
Duck Ayla, Caroline, Leslie, Lindsey, Julianne, Mary, Mollie, Nicole, Phoebe, Sarah and Stewart; Geoff Wetrosky
Duke Dawn and Dennis Swit
Echo Anona Stack
Eddie Judy Hunter; Kate Matthews and Jackie Cassara
Farley Ann Brock
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Flash Nana and Auntie Mame
Friday Victoria Euler
Fritto Bandito Alice Campbell
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Gizmo Donna Gluvna
Gretel Cynthia Sanders
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Harrow on the Hill Mellenthin Mary O'Doherty
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Izzy and Sebastian Linda Brashear
Jackson Elizabeth McCullough
Kimba April Clark
Kitty, Melissa, Snowball and Pudge Gayle and Don Prebis
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Leo Dawn and Dennis Swit
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Sophia Michelle Mills
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All Animals Needing Rescue Bill and Cathy Christopher
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2 months and 16
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