



# Humane News

News for the friends and supporters of SPCA Cincinnati

## MISSION

**SPCA Cincinnati** is a nonprofit 501(c)(3) organization.

**VISION:** A community that embodies humane treatment of all animals.

**MISSION:** To be a driving force in promoting animal welfare, strengthening the human-animal bond, providing humane education and eliminating pet overpopulation.

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## Innovating for a Better Future

**More than 20 years ago, I decided to dedicate my life to helping animals.** Throughout those years, I have witnessed many changes. Kennels transformed from the very institutionalized and pragmatic “dog pound” to more cozy and home-like humane shelters. From adoptions of unsterilized pets to mandatory sterilizations and dedicated humane society public spay/neuter and wellness clinics, conditions continue to improve all around.

I have also seen the whole range of trends in dog breeds from Doberman Pinschers to Dalmatians and from “Purse-Pups” to the most recent Pit Bull phenomenon. Alligators, snakes, spiders, and sharks were once hunted out of fear, but are now being rescued to ensure the success of our ecosystem. Regardless of how the animal wellness industry responded, there has always been a culture of innovation and a willingness to make life better.

You are witnessing the next transformation in animal wellness with progressive changes at **SPCA Cincinnati** shelters. Some communities in our nation currently have a pet deficit, so transportation of dogs and cats has become a standard protocol. Partnerships with other agencies are encouraged by many funders and

leaders. Collaborations between nonprofits for solving community problems have replaced the isolation and territorialism of the past.

Your **SPCA Cincinnati** is taking the lead in the region with many of these mandatory changes. Some of these improvements include: partnering with expert spay/neuter clinics, forming the PCGC (Pet Coalition of Greater Cincinnati), partnering with other humane societies across our nation to transport pets, enabling increased access for rescue groups, mandating 100% rabies vaccinations for all dogs in our shelter, mandating 100% flea and tick prevention for all pets to ensure flea-free facility, and making kennels more livable with noise and odor-reducing techniques.

**SPCA Cincinnati** is implementing changes because we care deeply about making life better for all. For pets, for their families and for future animals. The only way to make positive improvements is to continually and carefully create well thought-out strategies for the years to come. We appreciate your ongoing support of **SPCA Cincinnati**. Your kindness and contributions really DO help make lives better.

Thank you,

Jake White, President & CEO

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# Lend a Paw!



**Volunteers are the cornerstone of our organization and work tirelessly to enrich the lives of the neediest animals in our community.** Last year, nearly 750 volunteers contributed over 31,000 hours of service! Volunteers are essential to our daily operations as well as the overall success of our programs, services and the execution of our fundraising events.

We can't say THANK YOU often enough to fully express our heartfelt appreciation and gratitude. Your steadfast dedication, commitment and passion for our mission is truly an inspiration!

**SPCA Cincinnati** thanks you and so do the countless adoptable pets you have helped find forever homes.

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## Thank You!

**We appreciate your contributions, every dollar counts!** Thank you to our youngest of donors who are kind enough to also send their pictures and drawings with their generous donations.



# MEOW...It's Kitten Season!

Between the months of May through October, we receive over 2,100 kittens! These adorable babies keep us busy in our specialized Kitten Nursery with their meowing and purring. There is no denying that they are cute, but they require a lot of resources and attention. From bottle feeding to specialized wet food, vaccinations and medical care, our SPCA Cincinnati team is doing everything possible to ensure that the kittens in our care remain healthy and prepared for adoption.

But we also need YOU! SPCA Cincinnati has an urgent need for kitten nursery items such as: heating pads, Miracle Nipples that mimic a mother cat, bottles for feeding, baby rice cereal and more. Be sure to check our website [spacincinnati.org](http://spacincinnati.org) under Donate for our complete Amazon Wish List that contains items that are specific to kitten needs such as KMR Liquid Milk Replacer for Kittens & Cats and PetLac Liquid for Kittens.

If you are looking for a way to get involved and help our organization, this is one of the easiest ways to demonstrate your commitment to animal welfare! We take donations at both our Northside location at 3949 Colerain Avenue, Cincinnati, OH 45223 and our Sharonville location at 11900 Conrey Road, Cincinnati, OH 45249.



# Happy Tails!



Ruby Sue was brought to **SPCA Cincinnati** as a stray after the local community became concerned about her welfare. She was found at a construction site close to downtown Cincinnati, next to a business and a firehouse. Ruby Sue was very scared! The kind people at the firehouse built Ruby Sue a dog house, working to gain her trust each day with food and comfort.

After rescuing Ruby Sue, she was brought to **SPCA Cincinnati** to find her forever home. Construction workers and firefighters called for updates and expressed adoption interest. One special fireman and his family found Ruby Sue walking right into their hearts forever! Thank you, Wittkorn family, for the wonderful pictures of Ruby Sue in her new home.

Ruby Sue found a forever home with a special fireman who rescued her. Thank you to the Wittkorn family!

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## YOUR GIFT MATTERS



**\$25**

Can Buy 50 Cans of Wet Food for Kittens Too Young to Chew



**\$50**

Can Provide Five Dogs in Our Care with Flea and Tick Treatment



**\$100**

Can Help Provide Vaccinations and Medical Care



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