IMPACT, Report









ANIMAL CARE redefining CARE





2024

One "Meaty" Boy

Meaty, a three-year-old English Bulldog, arrived at the Downey Animal Care Center as a stray, in need of urgent medical attention. Described by the veterinary team as a sweet and friendly dog, it was quickly discovered that Meaty was suffering



from a life-threatening condition—his urethra was completely blocked. A urethral obstruction can be extremely dangerous, preventing urine from leaving the body and leading to severe pain, kidney damage, and even death if left untreated.

Fortunately, thanks to the Dreams Come True Fund, a lifesaving program made possible my generous donors such as you, Meaty was able to receive the emergency perineal urethrostomy (PU) surgery he desperately needed. The procedure successfully unblocked his urethra, allowing him to urinate normally and begin his road to recovery.

After weeks of dedicated care from the care center staff, Meaty's health improved and he was finally ready to find a loving home. Nearly a month after his initial arrival, on April 24, 2024, Meaty's story took a happy turn when he was adopted by a rescue group that will ensure he receives the continued care and attention he deserves.

Meaty's journey is a testament to the incredible and direct impact that donor support can have on the lives of animals in need. Because of caring individuals who contribute to ACF, dogs like Meaty get the second chances they deserve.

thelping Pets and Their Families During the Wildhires

In the wake of the recent wildfires, the Los Angeles County Animal Care Foundation (ACF) played a critical role in supporting the emergency housing and care of over 460 animals displaced from the Palisades and Eaton Fires. From cats and dogs to horses, sheep, llamas, pigs, and more, ACF stepped in to provide



temporary shelter, medical attention, and enrichment to ensure these animals remained safe and healthy during a time of crisis.

Thanks to the generosity of our donors, the Los Angeles County Department of Animal Care and Control (DACC) was able to distribute vital pet food and supplies to pet owners who had been forced to evacuate their homes. Additionally, DACC was assisted by Pasadena Humane with search and recovery efforts for animals displaced by the Eaton Fire, helping to reunite pets with their families and provide care for those in need. This support not only provided relief to families facing uncertainty but also strengthened ACF's ongoing mission to protect and care for animals in need. Through collaboration with emergency response teams and community partners, ACF's efforts helped ease the burden for both pets and their owners, demonstrating the profound impact of donor support in times of crisis.

YOUR Impact IN 2024

In 2024, your generous donations contributed to:



13,435Dogs adopted



123
cats reunited with



5,791Cats adopted



440 wild animals returned to nature



1,050 birds, livestock, and other animals adopted



1,347
animals placed in foster care



2,922
dogs reunited with their families



1,888
Care Vouchers
provided to help
keep pets and their
families together

Platinum Transparency **2024**

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PROGRAMS

DREAMS COME TRUE

The Dreams Come True Fund provides for special surgeries, procedures, and medications needed to help animals with extraordinary medical needs. This Fund saves the lives of pets whose medical illnesses or injuries are too extensive and too costly to treat through the normal course of shelter animal care center veterinary services.

NOAH'S LEGACY FUND

The Noah's Legacy Fund was established to provide for the needs of pets and livestock that are left behind or otherwise separated from their human families in major disasters. Noah's Legacy supports the Department's emergency response efforts that are so critical to the communities we serve as we continue to respond to the wildfires, flooding, and earthquakes that can occur here.

FOSTER PROGRAM

Oftentimes, young animals are brought to our care centers and need assistance with eating since their canine or feline mothers are no longer around. Our foster program is crucial for these animals and so are the many volunteers who dedicate their time to helping animals in need. The Los Angeles County Animal Care Foundation purchases food, bottles,

and other essential supplies to help sustain this life-saving program. Interested in volunteering or learning more? Visit our website below!

https://animalcare.lacounty.gov/become-a-foster-caretaker

PETS ARE FAMILY PROGRAM

Pets Are Family (PAF) is a multi-initiative program that provides critical resources for pet owners in our communities, with the goal of keeping pets with the families they know and love. After identifying the greatest needs expressed by pet owners, we developed key initiatives to address them, including includes a medical helpline to

counsel pet owners and refer them to needed resources, an outreach program where basic services are brought to residents via a mobile veterinary clinic, low-cost spay and neuter vouchers, and free pet food and supplies.

Kindness IN ACTION

MONETARY DONATIONS

Every donation matters. Donate today to help animals in Los Angeles County by using the link below.

https://lacountyanimals.org/give

PLANNED GIVING

Consider leaving your legacy for the animals by making a planned gift to the Foundation Los Angeles County Animal Care Foundation (ACF).

Visit our page below for more information:

https://lacountyanimals.org/way-to-give/planned-giving

Create your own Will or Trust:

https://lacountyanimals.org/freewill

VOLUNTEER

Thank you for considering becoming a volunteer! Visit our website at the link below to learn more about the process of becoming a volunteer or to sign-up to help.

https://lacountyanimals.org/volunteer





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