



Animal Welfare

Animals enrich our lives in so many ways, yet far too often they are abused and neglected. Animal welfare organizations work toward the same goal: a world in which there are no unwanted, homeless, neglected, abandoned, or mistreated animals. Cats and dogs are often the ambassadors for other species because they serve as companions to so many people. They introduce us to the concept of animal welfare and foster a humane attitude toward all animals, wild and domestic. By improving the lives of animals, animal-related organizations enrich the lives of all.

The following animal welfare organizations have been reviewed by The Greater Cincinnati Foundation (GCF) in the recent past.

Cincinnati Zoo & Botanical Garden

The Cincinnati Zoo & Botanical Garden was established in 1873 and is the second oldest zoo in the U.S. Its mission is “creating adventure, conveying knowledge, conserving nature, and serving community.” The Zoo’s major programs include: exhibits that draw more than one million visitors annually; education programs, including 300,000 elementary school students who visit on field trips each year, as well as the Zoo Academy, a full-time high school serving 40 students on the grounds of the Zoo; and the Lindner Center for Conservation and Research of Endangered Wildlife (CREW), with 34 projects underway on five continents. The Zoo is recognized as one of the top three zoos in the country and was rated the top attraction in Cincinnati in the 2004 Zagat Survey.

www.cincinnati-zoo.org

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What can you do?

This is a small sample of environmental organizations GCF has recently supported. If you would like to contribute to one or more of these organizations or want more information please contact a member of our Giving Strategies Group at (513) 241-2880.



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Equi-Kids/Beechmont Stables and Rescue

The Equi-Kids division of the Child Wellness Fair was formed in August 2005 to make unwanted horses wanted. Equi-Kids allows anyone who wants a relationship with a horse to have access, while helping care for and save the lives of unwanted horses. Equi-Kids focuses on the rescue of former race horses, unwanted foals, and cases of neglect. To prevent needless destruction of healthy horses, Equi-Kids provides temporary housing and retraining, if needed, and adopts them out to good homes. Located at Beechmont Stables in eastern Cincinnati, Equi-Kids has rescued more than 80 horses and provided horsemanship opportunities to nearly 200 youth since inception.

www.beechmontstables.homestead.com

The League for Animal Welfare

The League for Animal Welfare was established in 1949 and has operated a no-kill animal shelter in Clermont County since 1964. The organization is dedicated to bettering the lives of companion animals in Greater Cincinnati by providing shelter, adoption, public education and spay/neuter assistance programs. It is one of fewer than a dozen no-kill shelters in Greater Cincinnati. The current shelter can house approximately 120 animals at a time. In a typical year the League places 400 cats and 350 dogs in new homes.

www.lfaw.org

O'Bryonville Animal Rescue (OAR)

OAR was established in 1998 to promote nonlethal control for feral cat colonies and humane methods to reduce the population of feral cats. OAR's programs include management of feral colonies using the internationally accepted method known as "T-N-R" (trap, neuter, return); placement of socialized cats and kittens into adoptive homes; care of cats and kittens that cannot be placed; and coordination of seminars on feral cat care. Since inception, OAR has spayed/neutered more than 2,000 cats; rescued, socialized and placed more than 700 cats; and, in collaboration with other groups, educated more than 100 individuals on the proper care and management of feral cat colonies. In 2007 OAR opened a new low-cost spay/neuter clinic and shelter specifically designed to handle feral cats.

www.theanimalrescue.com

SPCA Cincinnati

SPCA Cincinnati was established in 1873. SPCA Cincinnati is an animal shelter and humane society that continually strives to strengthen the human animal bond and improve the welfare of animals by fostering humane care and treatment of all animals. SPCA Cincinnati provides services to Hamilton County and the City of Cincinnati. In a typical year, it shelters 18,000 lost and unwanted pets; reunites 1,100 pets with their families; places 5,000 pets through adoptions; spays/neuters 3,900 animals; provides obedience training for 385 dogs and their owners; provides educational programs for 2,500 students; and provides pet visitation programs for 6,000 individuals in nursing homes or special care facilities.

www.spcacincinnati.org

United Coalition for Animals (UCAN)

UCAN's mission is, "Spaying pets. Educating people. Saving lives." From 2001-2004, UCAN provided vouchers to low-income individuals to have their pets spayed/neutered at an affordable cost. In 2005, UCAN redirected its efforts to the construction of a high-volume, low-cost spay/neuter clinic. Designed to offer spay/neuter services to targeted low-income communities, the clinic opened in April 2007 in Queensgate. As of September 2007, UCAN had performed nearly 2,500 surgeries, with a target of performing 8,400 surgeries within the first year of operation.

www.ucancincinnati.org

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