Pets Alive



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Pets Alive is celebrating 25 years!

We have grown from a small, local rescue into 3 well-respected organizations saving 3000 lives a year.

Thank you for your support!





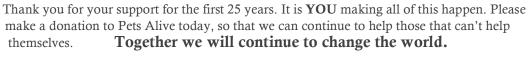
We are proud of our accomplishments. In the past six years our growth has been unparalleled. Why is that? It is because people WANT to see no-kill, and are tired of seeing stray and homeless animals killed in the very places that should be there to help them. The public wants to put a stop to it and they know that Pets Alive is doing just that.

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Pets Alive fights for the lives of all animals. You see us speaking out at public meetings, fighting bad legislation, pushing forward good legislation, supporting the efforts of other organizations, forming alliances to stop the killing, and working with many groups so that **collectively** we can all accomplish more than what one group could alone. There are now more than 100 no-kill communities in the U.S.!

Rescue and shelter groups come from all over the United States to see how we are doing it, to ask us advice, to get our opinions, to learn how to adopt more, save more, fight for the lives of animals. Schools ask us to come speak to students, volunteers show up to offer their help, adopters come to our doors to bring home a new family member. Why? Because people WANT to see an end to the senseless killing of animals when there are other options.

Large organizations such as the No-Kill Advocacy Center and HSUS invite us to speak at their seminars, and recognize us as leaders in the no-kill movement. We are fighting for, and effecting change, in all our local neighborhoods as well, starting trap/neuter/return programs, pet chow pantries, spay/neuter clinics, seniors for seniors program, foster homes, hospice programs, mass rescues, humane education, pet retention programs, training courses & more....





Tickets on sale now! Pets Alive Fur Ball, June 1!

Tarrytown, N.Y. Cocktails, dinner, dancing, auctions & a surprise performer! Event sponsors needed to make our most important fundraiser a success! Go to petsalive.org for all the details & to purchase tickets!



Pets Alive Puerto Rico

During our World Spay Day event in February, our low cost program provided spay/neuter for 150 dogs and cats in just five days!

When the kennel opened at Pets Alive Puerto Rico on April 12, 2012, we began taking in dogs in earnest. Within two days, we had opened our arms to two dozen dogs, and within a week our runs were full. At one point we found ourselves with 81 dogs in a sanctuary designed to comfortably hold 50, and we realized that there would never be enough kennel space - or time in the day - to take in and care for every dog in need.

Everywhere we went we saw them. Pregnant females ready to deliver their precious babies in the dampness of the jungle. Tiny pups, eyes not yet opened, living in the streets. Nursing mothers so malnourished that you could see every bone in their body. Filthy, matted dogs with wounds, broken bones, and open sores. We rescued more than 300 of these dogs, took them in, cleaned them up, tended to their bodies and their souls, and when they were ready - we found them responsible, loving homes. Those 300 dogs are living the life they have ALWAYS deserved - as cherished members of loving families. BUT IT ISN'T ENOUGH. We MUST do more to end the suffering of the stray and abandoned animals, and to change the culture that accepts as normal the sight of stray animals on the streets.

Last year we provided spay/neuter/vaccine for dozens of dogs that were released back to safe areas. These dogs are now able to live out their lives without adding to the population of unwanted dogs. We began offering low cost spay/neuter to pet owners. Owned pets are largely responsible for the population of unwanted street dogs, because pets are allowed to roam free and spaying/neutering is not yet commonplace. But we are changing that – hundreds of pet dogs (and even some cats) were spayed/neutered last year in our low cost program.

We need YOUR help to make a difference!

The Puerto Rican people have spoken and we are listening. When the cost is within their means they will spay/neuter their pets, and we have a waiting list that stretches a month in advance to prove it!

Now we are asking for your help to take our spay/neuter program to the next level by completing the medical suite at Pets Alive Puerto Rico. Medical care, including the altering of the dogs we rescue, and those we release, is our largest expense. We would save tens of thousands of dollars per year if we could provide this kind of care at our own facility. Moreover, the facility would be used to help other rescue organizations save money, too, by offering them the use of our medical facility at cost.



Working together with others we can change the world for the animals of Puerto Rico once and for all. YOUR support will make this possible.



Pets Alive Middletown

In the past three years, Pets Alive has developed many cutting edge programs that are focused not only on helping animals – but helping *PEOPLE* as well!

The past 25 years have been an amazing roller coaster ride for Pets Alive. With all of the ups and downs we always end up in a better position to help the animals. The past three years have been especially tremendous for us—new and innovative programs have led to more lives being saved then ever. And yet we always strive to do more, to help more and to save more lives.

We get emails, and calls, and letters from people every day asking us to take in their pets. Maybe they have personal issues that make them need to surrender those animals, maybe the animal has behavior issues, maybe life has spun out of control and put these families into places they never thought they might be. It isn't our place to judge anyone, it is our job to try to help as many as we can.

This winter we shared with you that our beloved brick building will need to be rebuilt. It isn't just about the fact that this current building is not the right size, or set-up for what we need, or that the disrepair makes it financially unfeasible. The reason is far greater than that. The new building will house the cats, the administrative offices, and the lobby, but it will also house a medical facility with the capabilities of saving countless lives. With a full time vet on staff, we will be better able to help the community and also assist other no-kill rescues.

To the no-kill rescues out there struggling to pay their bills, and stay afloat in this recession, we will offer them use of our veterinarian and medical clinic at cost. We hope that by doing this we will build greater alliances, more networking for animals, and by saving them money - they can apply those savings to more life saving programs in their area.

To all the great people out there who help to make life better for feral cats, we don't want them to struggle financially to alter the cats they are helping. We will help them alter and provide medical treatment for these animals.

To those families that come to us with a dog or a cat in their arms and tears streaming down their face as they beg us to take in their sick or injured pet because it needs medical treatment that they can't afford to provide. These families will no longer be faced with making a decision to surrender their furry family member to save his or her life. Instead, we will give their beloved pets the medical care they need and return them to the loving arms of their family.

THIS is what we want for the future of Pets Alive. **THAT is** what we want to do and who we want to be. To help you, your neighbor, your community...and all the animals out there that are reaching to us with an outstretched paw. May we never look the other way, may we always reach out, may we always take them in our arms and help them.



THIS IS WHAT WE WANT TO DO AND WHO WE WANT TO BE. WE ASK FOR YOUR SUPPORT TO MAKE THIS HAPPEN.



Pets Alive Westchester

Of the original 1100 animals we inherited at the Elmsford Animal Shelter, two years ago, there are just 115 still waiting. We know this is a huge accomplishment - one that could not have happened without you.

So many of you have committed to our animals with love and support. You have opened your hearts and homes to them, you have spread awareness to your friends, and expanded our network and our family here at Pets Alive.

We are determined to place the remaining Legacy animals and with your support we will succeed!

As the green grass begins to peek its way up out of the ground and the flower buds start to form we are pleasantly reminded of nature's rebirth every year. In a way Pets Alive Westchester can relate to this changing of the seasons and it gives us the opportunity to look back on where we've been, as well as look forward to a rebirth of our own.

Each year we have been grateful and fortunate to continue on the path of placing our many seniors in happy, loving, and forever homes, while still rescuing more animals from kill shelters nationwide.

It is imperative that we now take some really big steps towards the future of Pets Alive Westchester. It is time to begin our own renewal. To truly take hold of our own destiny and that of the many thousands of animals that will pass through our doors. We owe it to the millions of animals that are still losing their lives in shelters across the country.

This year we will focus on improving our facility in order to better serve the animals and our community. With your support, we will make much needed repairs and improvements to our facility to ensure a much safer and more comfortable environment for the animals in our care. Our updated space will allow us to expand upon our already proven life-saving programs and offer more services to our community. In addition, the facility repairs will dramatically decrease our utility bills – which cost tens of thousands of dollars every year. We will put that money to good use saving more lives and working closer with local animal organizations to help THEM stop the killing in their own shelters.

Together we can accomplish so much more. Together we can transform the facility at Pets Alive Westchester. Please donate now to help us bloom and grow even stronger in the years to come.

