

The latest news, views, and announcements

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Hurricane IDA - Transport from Louisiana

Thank you to the entire team from employees, volunteers, and our news partners. We received over 130 pets from Louisiana. Transporting these animals to our shelter provided comfort and relief to the animals directly impacted from Hurricane Ida. Many dogs came with Heartworm disease; we are treating them, and will continue to treat them after their adoptions. They will be listed for adoption on our website after a medical examination and cleared by the veterinarian. You may notice a few animals on our website with -IDA after their names, this identifies them as part of the Louisiana transport. Again, thank you EVERYONE for your hard work and a smooth transport. Additional pictures on page 3.

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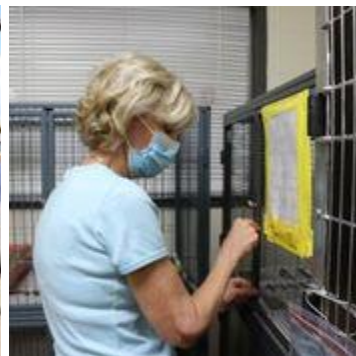
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Daisy Award Winner

-Submitted by Denise Jones

CONGRATS DeShawnta Goodson and HAPPY BIRTHDAY! Thank you, Deshawnta, for your dedication, passion to help and assist all the animals. Deshawnta has been with the SPCA Cincinnati for 10 years, believe it or not! He can handle the little feisty dogs before anyone else can, not to mention the big dogs! A few answered questions in Deshawnta's own words:

What brought Deshawnta to the SPCA?

The love for the animals

If Deshawnta could travel to any place in the world, where would that be and why?

Florida, I love the weather

If you were granted one wish that could positively change the world, what would it be?

I wish for everyone to get along

What is your favorite animal and why?

I have no favorite animal every animal is special

What inspires/motivates you most?

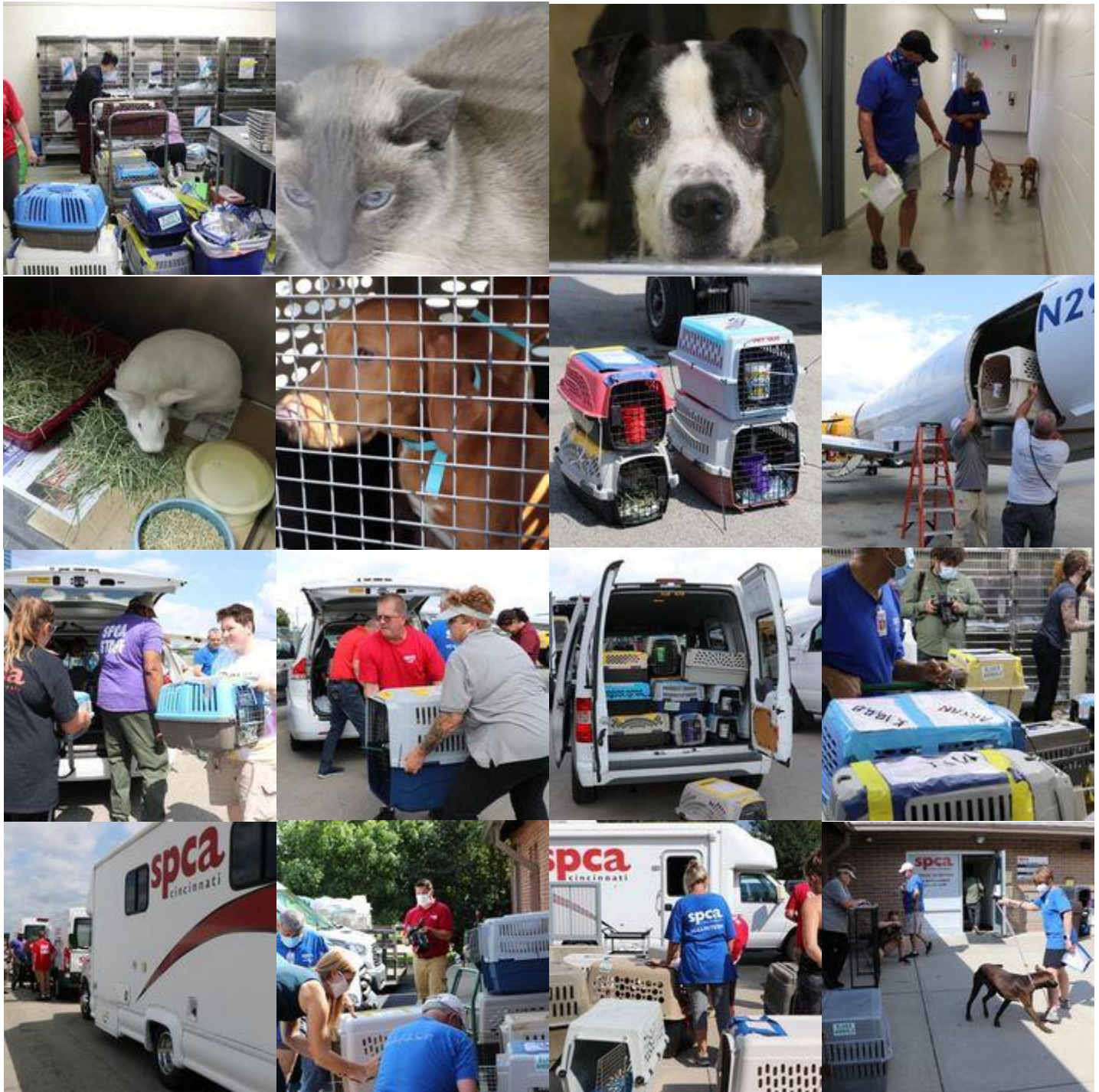
Finding animals, a home

Best advice that you could share.

SEIZE the opportunities



Hurricane Ida- Transport from Louisiana



THANK YOU AGAIN TO EVERYONE THAT WORKED SO HARD TO MAKE THIS HAPPEN!



PETS FOR PATRIOTS

VISION: NO MORE VETERANS IN NEED - NO MORE HOMELESS ANIMALS

Their vision is to end animal homelessness in the United States while giving our military veterans and their families the greatest “thank you” of all: the extraordinary love of a companion pet. We can make this happen through our nationwide shelter and veterinary networks, military and veteran organizations, and a public that values the lives of both the most vulnerable and heroic among us.

We started a partnership with Pets for Patriots, and we are the FIRST HOMETOWN HEROS in at least a 40-mile radius to partner with them to help our heroes. We currently have our Veterans free adoption program: Pets for Patriots that helps military veterans find, adopt, and afford lifetime care for their adopted pets. Through Pets for Patriots, the veteran will receive discounted pet care, a one-time \$150 pet retailer gift card to help buy pet food, supplies, and essentials, for use online or in-store. Once we receive all the brochures and information packs, we will pass the information onto you.



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Cincinnati VA Medical Center

CHOW NOW coming soon to our local Cincinnati Medical Center. Watch for more details of us honoring our veterans and active-duty member by providing dog and cat food. We will position our Mobile Unit in the parking lot and make lots of new friends and hear amazing stories.

The Hookup - Long read, but worth it.

We met Roxy at the SPCA on Colerain Avenue on a cold January day in 2008. We both had lousy colds and were feeling rotten. We had a void in our hearts, having lost our previous dog in the fall. We were made aware that a miniature Schnauzer stray pup was available at SPCA.

We drove down to see this dog, more out of obligation than zeal. We had mixed feelings; it was too soon after we had lost Schnitzel. We had planned to take a year off from dog ownership. They brought out this skinny pup with her beautiful floppy ears and let us hold her. Her story was that she was found roaming around in Montgomery. A resident had noticed her in December and the SPCA took her in. Dental inspection placed her age at about 6 months. We could see some schnauzer in her, but she was taller than most miniatures. Her coat was a little overgrown and needed some trimming. It had some wiriness, unlike other schnauzers we had known, and some other breed might be part of her pedigree. She was black and silver with a beautiful white muzzle and a sparkle in her eyes. She was healthy but underweight, apparently from her stint as a stray dog in cold weather. All she wanted was to be held and wasn't particularly interested in the biscuit we had brought. She was docile and the SPCA lady showed that she could be flipped on her back with no signs of aggressiveness. Both Barbara and I were both thinking, through our head colds, "Here we go again". Barbara asked me what I thought. My assessment "Well, we have to take her." It was love at first sight. Sometime in February she got her first haircut and we concluded she was, without question, all Schnauzer.



The Snark

The snarkiness came out shortly after we got her home. She launched herself from the floor into Barbara's lap. Barb's eyes got big and she said "We've got a jumper". This was a contrast to her predecessor, who was not as intrepid and did not get up on furniture without assistance.

Within a week, Barb filmed her going berserk with a toy, tossing it, GROWLING, running and cutting back and forth in the TV room like a running back. At first, we wondered if we had acquired a bipolar dog. We quickly learned that she was a spirited dog; this was her terrier play behavior, unlike anything that we had witnessed before. And, we would come to find, she was gentle and friendly with all. Despite the mischievous behavior, she was an angel with visitors. She would often greet a visitor and, having satisfied herself that she registered their scent, she would repair to the family room to have a nap. She enjoyed attention without pestering. We took her thru a course of dog training, offered by the SPCA. She learned how to walk, sit, down... all the standard stuff. She got put in time-out many times for being snarky around other dogs. Never aggressive, she just wanted to let them know who "alpha" was. As a pup she was particularly energetic and got us out to walk, racking up some 700 miles in her first year of residence with us. The walking continued over the years and even during the COVID pandemic it was not unusual for her to walk us 1-1.5 miles before breakfast.

Her last years

We are told that 1 in 5 Schnauzers suffer from diabetes; for her, this came on like a freight train the winter that she was 11 years old. Dutifully, we learned how to administer insulin. The insulin was a wonder, bringing back her old energetic self by enabling the metabolizing of nutrients. Some 6 months later, blindness followed the diabetes and she adapted well to her loss of sight,

launching herself effortlessly into her favorite chairs or on the couch to enjoy a nap. The blindness also occurred abruptly, in the course of a week. Her lifestyle was knocked back a bit -no more charging around with reckless abandon, no more chasing squirrels, but still a happy dog.

Her last year she developed canine cognitive disorder, what we, in humans, call dementia. Like all senior dogs, she napped a lot, but still loved to be held and enjoyed several walks a day. At times, particularly when it was cool, she would decide it was time to burn some energy and she would break into a spirited canter and we would get a little bit of an aerobic workout. On June 4 2021, that day that all dog owners dread had come. That morning, after a visit to VOA park, we visited our veterinarian and sent her on her way to Sirius, the dog star. We told her we loved her and always would and we would be looking up at Sirius in the night sky and think about her and all the joy we shared. We wouldn't trade a moment of it.

She was the best dog ever.

Letter from one of our wonderful adopters, wanted last name to be withheld.

SPCA Campaigns

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HOW CAN YOU HELP?

Donate to help the animals in our care

Support from people like you helps us protect lost, abandoned, and mistreated pets in our community. Your generous gift will help provide:

- Food and shelter
- Medical care
- Loving adoptive families
- And so much more



IN THE KNOW

Kings High School Senior Class - As our nation prepared to commemorate the events of 9-11-2001, the Kings High School Senior class honored that day by taking part in the 911 Day of Service. Their time and support in remembrance of that day shows the commitment from each one of the students. We enjoyed them here and hope to have them back soon.



Resolvit - Special Thank you to Resolvit for hosting their first golf outing benefiting the SPCA Cincinnati, held at Glenview Golf Course. Hope we can do it again next year!



Harvest Home Parade - Did you know? Harvest Home Parade has been around since 1860! We joined back in the annual tradition and look forward to being Bigger and Better next year.



CELEBRATIONS

Birthdays

Deshawnta Goodson September 16
Ben Coffey September 30
Amber Taylor September 30
Erin Lawson October 12
Nicole Simon October 14
Trent Owens October 24
Kristina Holtzclaw October 25
Lyndsey Sparks October 28

ANNIVERSARIES

Zach Campbell 13 years on September 20
Carey Wright 13 years on September 20
Lori Dennon 1 year on September 29
Heather Bowles 4 years on October 3
Nicole Simon 3 years on October 18
Kristina Holtzclaw 6 years on October 20
Tracy Buckmeier 3 years on October 23
Maria Miller 4 years on October 30

HR CORNER

WE MISS YOU- Jessica Choate would have celebrated her 13-year anniversary on October 30th.
FOREVER IN OUR HEARTS



Log-on now to obtain information on a variety of wellness topics. In order to use the website, follow these steps: Go to www.anthemeap.com. Click Member log-in. Company name, enter: SPCA of Cincinnati

UPCOMING EVENTS

September 18th- Simmonds Farm Adoptions

Week of September 18th- Georgia dogs arriving

September 24-Chow Now Pantry Distribution at Tikkun Farm; 12pm-4pm

September 25th-Great American Ball Park-- Bark in the Park- two-part series

September 25th and 26th- Chow Now Pantry Collection at the Humane Center; 12pm-3pm

October 1st: Chow Now Pantry Distribution at Tikkun Farm; 12pm - 4pm

October 8th: Chow Now Pantry Distribution at Tikkun Farm; 12pm - 4pm

October 9th and 10th: Chow Now Pantry Collection at Sharonville Humane Center; 12pm - 3pm

October 15th: Chow Now Pantry Distribution at Tikkun Farm; 12pm - 4pm

October 16th: New Volunteer Orientation; 9am - 12pm

October 16th- Kroger's 8th Annual Mobile Pets Event- Location TBD

October 23rd- Kroger's 8th Annual Mobile Pets Event- Location TBD

October 23rd and 24th: Chow Now Pantry Collection at Sharonville Humane Center; 12pm - 3pm (HELP NEEDED)

November 13th: New Volunteer Orientation; 9am - 12pm

Long Timers: Have you noticed an animal that has been here for quite some time with little to no interest? We have multiple outlets for promotion of our animals, so please send me any recommendations for spotlights to help find them their forever! **If you are a creative writer and would enjoy writing spotlights for social media, feel free to try your hand at it! You can send animal spotlights to myself (elawson@spcacinncincinnati.org), or Denise Jones (dejones@spcacinncincinnati.org).** Please see our Facebook or Instagram page for examples.