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SPCA Florida Receives Empower Polk Grant from the GiveWell Community Foundation

Lakeland FL - SPCA Florida has been awarded an Empower Polk grant of \$4,425 from the GiveWell Community Foundation for its "Strengthening SPCA Florida's Surgery Center" program.

GiveWell Community Foundation's Empower Polk grant cycle aims to help local nonprofits invest in their organization's efficiency and sustainability. Funding from the Empower Polk grant will allow SPCA Florida to strengthen its surgery center.

With the purchase of an autoclave, a machine used to sterilize surgery equipment and supplies, SPCA Florida will be able to reduce unwanted litters and increase lifesaving efforts. This improvement to SPCA Florida's surgery center will change the lives of both homeless and adopted animals who need spay and neuter services.

SPCA Florida is grateful for the opportunity to give our communities animals a long life of unconditional love to the families who care for them.

About GiveWell Community Foundation

GiveWell Community Foundation works with individuals, families, businesses, and nonprofits to build a stronger community throughout Polk, Hardee, and Highlands county and beyond through charitable funds and competitive grant cycles. The Foundation is home to more than 300 charitable funds and the Impact Polk and Empower Polk grant cycles. GWCF has awarded of \$209 million in grants since its founding in 1997. To learn more about GWCF, visit givecf.org or call 863-683-3131.

About SPCA Florida

Founded in 1979, SPCA Florida is a 501(c)3 non-profit organization headquartered in Lakeland, serving all of Polk County and the surrounding communities. Dedicated to improving the lives of pets and people, SPCA Florida provides caring, compassion and hope to more than 4,300 homeless animals entering our doors each year.

Open to the public, our Reva McClurg Animal Medical Center is a state-of-the-art veterinary facility that heals and helps 50,000 patients annually. Thousands more pets and people are served through our community outreach and education programs.

Simplistically, every \$100 donated to SPCA Florida, or essentially the cost of an average adoption, equates to \$3,000 worth of positive economic impact throughout Polk County, Central Florida, and the state. Additionally, we are proud of the fact that 92% of every dollar goes to program resources and helping homeless animals.

