

Would you walk to save a life?

It's time to celebrate our four-legged friends. SPCA Florida's 30th, final, and biggest Walk for Animals Fundraiser is Saturday, April 9th, at Lake Mirror Promenade.



The Walk for Animals event welcomes all animal lovers - dogs, kids, and families - with many activities for all, and a walk around Lake Mirror. Register online and begin fundraising for your chance to win prizes - and a spot on the 2023 Lakeland Fire Department firefighter calendar!

You can fundraise virtually and win even if you can't join us in person.

Make a difference and register today: www.spcflorida.org/walk

WALK FOR ANIMALS 2022

30th Anniversary Grand Finale

Would you walk to save a life?

Join us at our 30th, final, and biggest Walk for Animals ever. Fun for the entire family with games, K-9 demonstrations, food and specialty vendors, and a dog costume contest!

NEW!

Saturday April 9
9 AM to 12 PM

Lake Mirror Promenade
121 S. Lake Ave in Lakeland, FL
\$35, Register Today!

Top fundraisers' pets will be featured in the 2023 LFD Firefighter Calendar!

www.spcflorida.org/walk

New for 2022: SNAP!

SNAP is SPCA Florida's new Spay Neuter Assistance Program that will offer 3,350 free and low-cost spays and neuters this year.

The program is designed to reduce unwanted births and end overpopulation, and is available for income challenged families and free-roaming community cats.

Community cats should be trapped in a humane trap, taken to SPCA Florida for surgery and vaccination, and returned to their outdoor home. This prevents the cats from continuing to breed, reduces the spread of disease, and helps stop euthanasia in public shelters.

Read more at www.spcflorida.org!



Big Dog Big Love

Adopt one of our kennel dogs in April for half the regular adoption fee!

See available dogs and make an appointment to visit them at www.spcflorida.org



Sponsorship Opportunities 2022

Annual Report 2021

Because the Entire Family Matters

Sponsorship Opportunities and 2021 Annual Report

To receive your free copies, e-mail Sandra at SDawson@spcaflorida.org or call 863-577-4600.

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Adoption by Appointment

SPCA Florida's Adoption Center works on an appointment system. Go to spcaflorida.org/appointment or call 863-577-4615 to schedule a time to visit the cats and dogs!

5850 Brannen Road S.
Lakeland, FL 33813
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Adoption Center
Mon - Fri 11 AM to 6 PM
Sat - Sun 11 AM to 5 PM

SPCA Florida
Medical Center
Mon - Fri 7:30 AM to 4 PM



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Fosters Save Lives

In 2021, foster families saved the lives of 1,859 puppies and kittens. This year, our goal is to save 2,000.

Spotlight on Seniors

The first week every month in 2022 (days 1-7), cats and dogs over the age of 7 can go home for half the regular adoption fee.

If you are 65 or older, you can adopt a senior pet for 75% off the regular adoption fee.

Adoptable seniors right now include:

Kitty who is a 13 year-old beauty. She would prefer an adult-only home where she can be the only pet and have all the attention. She loves treats and wet food, and doesn't mind sitting on a nice, warm lap.



Onyx is eight and recently had surgery on his left knee. The procedure went well, but he is on limited activity until it heals. He will require lifetime pain medication and joint supplements to feel his best. He is house-trained and enjoys relaxing and cuddling.



See more available cats and dogs, and make an appointment to meet them at www.spcflorida.org

The Dream is Coming True

SPCA Florida's Adoption Center handles thousands of cats and dogs every year, and many are in need of medical attention. Until now, their veterinary care has been handled in a small trailer outside the facility.

We have raised funds for building a Surgery Center attached to the Adoption Center since 2020, and this year, the plans are coming to fruition. The addition will have room for surgeries, dentals, and ongoing care. As a bonus, the trailer will now be available to bring much needed spay/neuter surgeries to the community.

The construction work is scheduled to be completed by late April and will be a huge resource for homeless pets in Polk County.



Shelley Thayer, Executive Director. Photo by Connie Summers Photography

Purrs and Woofs from the Pets

Tilly

I've been at SPCA Florida since forever, because I didn't feel good at all when I came here. The doctor diagnosed me with Lupus. It made my skin itchy and fragile, so the humans got me cute little dresses to help me feel pretty. Okay, according to them it was to keep me from scratching, but I look cute in them too!



I'm talkative, affectionate, and fun to be around. I will need to take medicine for the rest of my life but it's not that expensive and I'm totally worth it.

I hope to see you soon.

Brady

Woofers, I'm Brady! I'm a super-handsome, large, and playful boy who loves butt scratches. Or back scratches. Or scratches pretty much everywhere except my stomach. I'm looking for a home without cats or small children. I'm a big guy - I weigh a hundred pounds - and I wouldn't want to accidentally knock a little tyke over.

If you already have a dog, I'd like to do an interview to see if we're a good fit before I go home with them.

My bags are packed and I'm ready to go, so come see me today.



FL SARC, When Disaster Strikes

Florida is hit with disasters that impact our animals every single year. Animals are not only faced with natural disasters, but man-made disasters as well. FL SARC volunteers ensure these animals have someone on their side when they need it the most.

Volunteers attend FEMA approved training sessions throughout the state of Florida, from Panama City to the FL Keys and from coast-to-coast. The trained and certified volunteers from FL SARC are then ready to deploy to disaster locations within Florida, Georgia, Alabama, North and South Carolina, Louisiana, Mississippi, and Tennessee.

FLORIDA
State Animal Response Coalition



If you want to help pets in need, sign up for a training on flsarc.org. Or, join us and rock band Smokepoint for a fun fundraiser in May!

Smokepoint

Rock for Paws

May 14, 2022 • 7 PM - 10 PM
Nora Mayo Hall, Winter Haven

Smokepoint rocks for paws to benefit
SPCA Florida's Emergency Response Team: FL SARC

We'll have an evening of fun as the band performs classic and modern pop/rock hits. From Journey to Jonas Brothers, Motley Crue to Maroon 5, Van Halen to Greta Van Fleet, The Cars to The Weeknd.

Great food, cash bar, and amazing raffle!

www.spcflorida.org/rock-for-paws



In 2021, SPCA Florida foster families saved 1,859 puppies and kittens under the age of 8 weeks. This year, our goal is to save 2,000.

If you want to join the ranks of life-saving foster caregivers, go to www.spcflorida.org/fostering.

You can also support the foster program by signing up to be a member of SPCA Florida. Your one-time or monthly donation of any amount will help us save the lives of the animals who need you most. Your donation provides formula, heating pads, weight scales, baby bottles, vaccines, and medical care.

Visit spcflorida.org/membership to sign up.

2022 Auction for Animals Come Fly with Me

Save the Date: November 12, 2022

This year we take flight at the Florida Air Museum to share modern day transports that save lives. We will serve a five-course dinner of five-star delicacies, each beautifully paired with an exquisite wine, and rescue tale.

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