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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 $3,326 from the GiveWell Community Foundation for surgery tools to increase spay and neuter capacity in the Adoption Center Surgery Center.

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 8 spay packs for the new adoption center surgery center, SPCA Florida will be able to reduce unwanted litters and increase lifesaving efforts. These additional spay packs for 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 exists to eliminate animal suffering and engage the entire community in the welfare and well-being of animals. SPCA Florida will help and heal 20,000 dogs and cats through its SPCA Florida Animal Medical Center and provide direct care for 6,500 animals through its Adoption Center this year. Ani-Meals and Food Assistance Programs, provide food and medical care for animals of homebound families and families who need supplemental food for thousands of dogs and cats each year.*

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