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## **SPCA Florida Receives \$2,500 PEDIGREE Foundation COVID-19 Disaster Relief Grant**

**Lakeland, FL** — SPCA Florida received a \$2,500 grant from the PEDIGREE Foundation for dogs in need in Polk County. The PEDIGREE Foundation has been a community supporter of SPCA Florida for years, providing funding and community collaboration opportunities.

The PEDIGREE Foundation investment will help support community dogs in Polk County by providing veterinary assistance at SPCA Florida Medical Center, or the SPCA Florida Community Food Bank. During COVID-19, Polk County families are struggling to meet daily needs and SPCA Florida is making every effort to lend support and improve the quality of canine care.

“Pedigree and their generous donation have given us the opportunity to change the lives of dogs who may otherwise have less positive outcomes. We are grateful for the outpouring of care, not only in Polk County, but across the nation.” said Shelley Thayer, Executive Director of SPCA Florida.

### **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.*

### **About PEDIGREE Foundation**

*PEDIGREE Foundation is working to find a solution to the problem of the millions of homeless dogs in this country. Through our grant programs, we support organizations that save the lives of dogs that would otherwise be lost.*

*The Foundation was established in 2008 by dog lovers with a passionate belief that every dog deserves a loving home. PEDIGREE Foundation is a 501(c)(3) private foundation that supports shelters and rescue organizations, as well as encouraging people to ADOPT, VOLUNTEER, and DONATE.*

