



Shelter SCENES

STORIES OF LIVES SAVED THROUGH **YOUR** HEARTFELT SUPPORT

Hannah's Second Chapter **You Proved It's Never Too Late for Happily-Ever-After!**

When Hannah arrived at the **SPCA Cincinnati**, it was clear she needed help. The sweet 7-year-old was surrendered by her owner, who loved her dog but could no longer manage her growing medical needs.

And poor Hannah had a long list of needs. She appeared to have a bladder infection, painful dental disease, extra weight, and a coat that indicated she had not felt her best in quite some time.

Our veterinary team quickly examined Hannah to understand what she was facing. X-rays revealed the greatest danger: three large bladder stones that were causing serious pain and could become life-threatening if left untreated.

Dr. Schelle, one of the **SPCA Cincinnati's** dedicated veterinarians, performed surgery to remove the stones. During the same procedure, eleven severely diseased teeth were extracted so Hannah could finally live and eat without constant discomfort.

After surgery, Hannah began to heal. Her personality blossomed. The quiet, uncomfortable dog who arrived at our shelter slowly transformed. In her place emerged an easygoing, affectionate, energetic girl who loves attention, enjoys play, and reminds everyone she meets just how resilient



Thank you for being there for Hannah when she needed surgery and a second chance.

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animals can be.

Hannah's second chance is possible because of compassionate donors — like you — who believe every animal deserves care, dignity, and hope. Your generosity allows the **SPCA Cincinnati** to provide lifesaving surgery, expert veterinary treatment, and the promise that animals like Hannah will never be turned away when they need help.

Because of your kindness, Hannah now has good health and a bright future. Thank you for believing that dogs like her matter! 🐾



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Rescue Was Only the Beginning: See how you helped four pups learn to trust.
Rosie's Roses: See what you gave Rosie... on Valentine's Day!

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In Togetherness, We Succeed

Dear Animal Friend,

As you read this newsletter, you may notice something new! The **SPCA Cincinnati** is proudly introducing a refreshed logo as we continue stepping into a new era for our 153-year-old organization. While the look has been modernized and refined, it still honors the recognizable identity and legacy that have connected the **SPCA Cincinnati** to this community for generations.

This evolution reflects our momentum, progress, and transformation as we build a stronger, more innovative, and more community-focused future. While our brand continues to evolve, our mission remains the same: serving animals and the community with compassion, care, and purpose.

Because of you, the **SPCA Cincinnati** continues to innovate and strengthen the way we care for animals. Programs like structured playgroups through Dogs Playing for Life, Big, Bully & Beautiful, and Paw Pass Adventures give our dogs the opportunity to exercise, decompress, and show their personalities beyond the kennel. Your support also helps expand enrichment, foster opportunities, and adoption pathways for cats so they can thrive while waiting for homes.

Your investments are producing real results. Over the past year, the average length of stay for animals in our care has been reduced by more than 45%. That means cats and dogs are spending far less time in the shelter and more time where they belong, in loving homes.

As a no-kill shelter, we remain committed to building on this progress. With your continued support, we will keep expanding the programs, partnerships, and lifesaving capacity that help animals move through the shelter more quickly while ensuring every cat and dog who comes through our doors receives the care they need.

Thank you for standing with the animals as we step into this new era, and for making second chances possible every single day.

With heartfelt thanks,



Chris Seelbach
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We Value Your Trust.
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From Fear to Hope, **THANKS TO YOU**

You gave four deserving pups a second chance at life!

A few months ago, four young dogs arrived at the **SPCA Cincinnati** burdened by fear, uncertainty, and painful signs of neglect. Rescued from suspected dogfighting situations in Florida and South Carolina, these four pups — three boys and one little girl — were between 5 months and 1 year old. Each of them arrived underweight. All frightened. The poor pups showed evidence of a life that had never known kindness.

You, through your support, have made the **SPCA Cincinnati** a trusted national partner in animal welfare. When we were asked to take in four of the most vulnerable dogs from this rescue effort we said — without hesitation — YES!

When they first arrived, the pups were hesitant, wary of even the gentlest voices, unsure of an outstretched hand. Even the simple comfort of a treat was unfamiliar to them. They had only known fear. But from the moment they walked through our doors, healing had already begun.

Our veterinary and behavior teams carefully guided these pups through recovery, addressing their medical needs, nourishing them to reach healthy weights, and thoughtfully introducing them to the kindness and patience every animal deserves.



Crumble



Sven



Sleighbell



Barracuda

Your generosity provides the safe environment these pups needed to learn that the world can be kind. This is how you help animals find new, loving homes!

Two of the dogs, Crumble and Sleighbell, basked in care and attention and found loving homes within weeks. Sven and Barracuda have spent more time with us, gaining extra training and love.

Taking on complex cases like these requires time, expertise, and unwavering dedication. These are the animals who need more patience, more understanding, and more love. And when we asked our community for help, they responded.

Supporters stepped forward because they believe that every animal deserves a chance to heal and begin again. Your generosity allows the **SPCA Cincinnati** to provide lifesaving care, behavioral support, and the safe environment these pups needed to learn that the world can be kind.

Because of friends like you, the SPCA Cincinnati can continue saying yes when the most vulnerable animals need us. Thank you for helping us turn fear into trust, and giving dogs like these four the future they were always meant to have. 🐾



After 550 days
in the shelter, Rosie
finally got her
forever home!

Rosie's Roses: A Perfect Valentine

You gave Rosie what she wanted most in the world:
a home!

Rosie first walked through the **SPCA Cincinnati's** doors on May 14, 2023, arriving as a mama with her puppies. While her pups quickly found homes, Rosie kept waiting. By February 2026, she had become our longest resident: more than 550 days in the shelter — over 15 times longer than our average length of stay. She'd been homeless for nearly two years, through no fault of her own. Rosie deserved so much more!

Then, on Valentine's Day, love showed up. Heather, who had cared for Rosie as a foster mom, returned to make it official. Rosie's long wait was finally over. She didn't have to wonder anymore. Rosie is home, where she is truly wanted and deeply loved. 🐾

Every Prince Deserves a Palace



Prince Nyk, a 3-year-old neighborhood stray, arrived at the **SPCA Cincinnati** barely hanging on to life. A severe abscess became a painful, infected open wound that threatened his life.

Dr. Schelle rushed to perform surgery, giving Prince Nyk the care he desperately needed. We also learned the sweet cat was FIV positive, meaning he would need a single-cat home.

Despite the challenge, hope prevailed. A kind woman from his very own neighborhood stepped forward to adopt him. Today, Prince Nyk is no longer fighting to survive. He's a happy house cat — safe, comfortable, and living the life he deserves because you helped him when he needed you most! 🐾



We're Not

Kitten Around!

This is fur real! Beginning with your 2026 tax return, you can claim a charitable deduction for your donations even when you take the standard (non-itemized) deduction.

- Single filers can deduct up to **\$1,000** in gifts.
- Married joint filers can deduct up to **\$2,000**.

Your support changes lives. For details about your unique tax situation and what is allowable by law, please consult a tax professional. When tax season comes next year, you'll be glad you planned ahead!

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