

# Shelter Scenes

## MISSION

**spca cincinnati** is a nonprofit 501(c)3 organization. The organization is a humane society that continually strives to strengthen the human-animal bond and improve the welfare of animals by fostering the humane care and treatment of all animals. Through humane education and animal protection, we improve the quality of life in our community.

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News for the friends and supporters of **spca cincinnati**



## Your Gift That Keeps on Giving

**Your current financial donations are very important to the pets in our care.** But what would happen if you were no longer able to financially secure the future of our dogs and cats? There is another way for you to donate to **spca cincinnati** while making a lasting impact: Charitable Planning. Whether you would prefer to contribute to our efforts today or benefit us after your lifetime, there is a charitable plan that lets you provide for your family AND support **spca cincinnati**.

Here are several of the most popular charitable plans for your consideration:

### Remember Us in Your Will

Structure your will to provide for your family first. Then include a gift to **spca cincinnati**.

### Make a Gift and Receive Fixed Payments for Life

If you'd like to support **spca cincinnati** and receive steady payments for life, a charitable gift annuity may be right for you.

### Donate Stocks

If you contribute stocks that you've owned for more than one year and are worth more than when you purchased them, you may qualify for significant tax advantages.

### Give Retirement Plan Assets

Consider making **spca cincinnati** a beneficiary of a percentage of your retirement plan assets. Then, leave less heavily taxed assets to your loved ones.

### Arrange a Charitable Trust

With a charitable remainder trust, you can receive income each year (either fixed or variable) from assets you place in the trust. After your lifetime, the balance in the trust goes to **spca cincinnati**.

### Use Life Insurance to Make a Gift

There are several ways you can use life insurance to give back to **spca cincinnati**.

With just a few simple sentences and a meeting with an estate planning professional, you can care for your family, as well as the lives of our shelter animals.

Is **spca cincinnati** already in your Charitable Plan? Please contact me to make sure our records reflect your selfless act of kindness.

Thank you for your support,

— Jake White, President & CEO

# Vinny's Birthday Wish



Hello, my name is Vinny Carvitti, and I just turned 6 years old on March 10. For my birthday party, I didn't want my friends to bring me presents. I asked them to help me collect things the poor animals at **spca cincinnati** need. I wanted to do this because I want the animals there to get special toys, treats, food and other things they need to make their days better while the **spca** finds them people who will love them. The animals need a lot of help from us to care for them and keep them healthy. Hopefully, my donations can bring attention to the **spca** and find new homes for the animals.

Please help save  
the animals  
and donate.

They need our  
love and help! ♥ Vinny



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# FUR BALL

## Fur Ball Frenzy!

2018 Fur Ball – The Wizard of Paws Presented by IAMS™



We are pleased to announce that **spca cincinnati's 16th Annual Fur Ball, the Wizard of Paws, held on Saturday, April 28, at the Sharonville Convention Center, was a huge success with nearly 700 guests in attendance, opening their hearts to**

contribute hundreds of thousands of dollars in one evening! The Fur Ball gala is **spca cincinnati's** largest fundraising event. Thank you to our Presenting Sponsor, IAMS™; Title Sponsor, Bounty; and the many companies and individuals who sponsored the Fur Ball gala. This event would not have been successful without the leadership of our Co-Chairs, Karen Knight and Judy Recker, along with our dedicated committee of volunteers. Our adoptable furry friends walked their very own Yellow Brick Road that led gala guests into a fun-filled evening of fine dining and entertainment.

We all make choices every day, but there are few life-changing ones that we can count on one hand. The Widner Family decided to make a major life choice and adopt a dog on the night of last year's Fur Ball gala. From the moment the Widners saw this special dog, an immediate connection was made. Dude, as he was called, was a gentle giant amongst all the other dogs. He stole hearts that night and the Widners never looked back. Renamed Duke, he has been an incredible addition to the

Widner family. From his lunchtime walks to the nightly negotiation as to who gets to sleep with him, Duke is always there with a smile on his face and a hug that could knock you down. Spoken in Mr. Widner's words, "When it's asked, 'Who rescued who?,' we truly have to say that Duke was the one who rescued our family. Thank you **spca cincinnati** for bringing us together!"



# Celebrating National Volunteer Week – Highlighting Our Feline Friend Volunteers



Thank you to our Pet Valu partner for their generous donation of cat litter!



In 2017, 550 volunteers provided spca cincinnati with 26,000 volunteer hours, saving spca cincinnati \$600,000! THANK YOU to our many volunteers for their dedicated commitment to our mission. Our terrific team of volunteers does everything from chairing fundraising events to walking dogs on a daily basis. We even have a group of dedicated volunteers that provide love and enrichment to our feline friends. This is especially important as we enter “kitten season,” in which we receive countless kittens to care for and prepare for adoption. Volunteers spend many hours sitting with shy kittens, playing, petting and brushing them in anticipation for adoption by a loving fur-ever family. Our volunteers even help bottle-feed and foster our kittens! You can join our volunteers and help the countless kittens entering our shelters by donating items from our Amazon wish list. Be sure to visit our website, [www.spcacincinnati.org](http://www.spcacincinnati.org), and click Donate to locate our Amazon wish list. We have specific needs for kittens, such as KMR Liquid Milk Replacer and PetLac Liquid. If you are looking for a way to get involved and help **spca cincinnati**, this is one of the easiest ways to demonstrate your dedication and compassion to animal welfare!



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## THE IMPACT WE MAKE TOGETHER



In 2017, 6,800 cats and dogs were adopted



During 2017, 70 mobile adoption units and 45 humane education events were held, educating more than 2,100 children and adults



Over the past five years, over 60,000 animals have been rescued



To learn more about how you can help homeless animals in the Greater Cincinnati area, please visit [www.spcacincinnati.org](http://www.spcacincinnati.org).

