



# Shelter SCENES

STORIES OF LIVES SAVED THROUGH YOUR HEARTFELT SUPPORT

## The Princess Who Wouldn't Give Up

*You wrote Charlotte's happily ever after.*

It was the second time around for Princess Charlotte.

Four years earlier, as a tiny puppy, she found shelter at the **SPCA Cincinnati** — and was adopted. But now Princess Charlotte was back, entrusted to us by an owner who could no longer care for her.

Charlotte did need a lot of care. Sadly, she'd been hit by a car two years ago, and was still suffering from pain and debilitating injuries. She was trying to do the best she could while struggling with muscle loss, pressure sores, and a severely injured right leg. Her overall quality of life had declined — dramatically.

But as Princess Charlotte returned to the **SPCA Cincinnati**, she again found hope in the kindness of supporters like you.

We set about addressing her medical needs. Charlotte needed surgery to relieve her of the badly injured leg. But she was simply too weak to go under anesthesia. She went into foster care to receive love and good nutrition to help her build up her muscle and gain weight.

Her foster parents also made sure she had plenty of exercise, helping her get stronger and healthier as she awaited her surgery. And when it was time, the surgery was a success!

Princess Charlotte returned to foster care to



*Friends like you were there for Princess Charlotte when she was just a puppy — and again when she returned in urgent need.*

recover and learn to walk on three legs. As she began to run again, you could see the joy on her face.

And this past March, the Princess thought she had found her castle — adopted from the **SPCA Cincinnati** into what seemed like a forever home.

While that chapter didn't turn out to be her fairytale ending, Charlotte is back in our care and still hoping for her happily ever after. Through your generosity, you become part of a network of lifesaving support that gives pets hope and homes! We're grateful for the help and care you make possible. And so is Charlotte. 🐾



**ALSO INSIDE!**

**100,000 Pounds of Love:** Thank you for feeding hungry pets.

**A Second Chapter:** You showed Boss it's never too late for love.

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# In Togetherness, We Succeed

## Dear Animal Friends,

I'm writing to you not just as the new President and CEO of the **SPCA Cincinnati**, but as someone who believes deeply in what we can accomplish when compassion and kindness lead the way.

For over 150 years, the **SPCA Cincinnati** has been a safe haven for animals in crisis, a partner for pet families, and a force for good in our community. Every day, we save lives. And every day, we're able to do that because of you.

Your generosity powers everything we do — from the moment an abandoned kitten is rescued, to the day an aging dog finally finds a loving home.

Last year, with your help:

- Our **Chow Now Pantry** distributed over **100,000 pounds of pet food** to families in need — keeping pets in homes and out of shelters.
- We expanded our **Pets for Vets** program, offering free training to veterans who adopt, and launched **therapy dog visits** at VA nursing homes.
- Thousands of homeless animals received shelter, medical care, and the chance to be loved again.

And yet, we know the need is growing.

That's why we're pushing ourselves to do more — to be more — for the animals and people who count on us.

But we can't do it without you.

**Your gift today ensures we can meet the moment — not just for the animals already in our care, but also for the ones who will arrive tomorrow, scared and hurting, with nowhere else to turn.**

If you believe in the power of compassion, I invite you to stand with us again. Make a gift. Join this mission. Be part of the work that changes lives — both animal and human.



With heartfelt thanks,

**Chris Seelbach**  
President & CEO  
SPCA Cincinnati

## We Value Your Trust.

Industry Leaders Verify  
Our Stewardship of Your Gifts.



# Keeping Families Together:

## Here's How You Help Pets Stay in Their Loving Homes



The bond between a person and their pet is one of the sweetest and most unconditionally loving relationships one can experience. That's why your support of the **SPCA Cincinnati** and pet adoption is priceless.

And thanks to you, we can build humane solutions on an even larger scale. Through your support of our program Chow Now Pantry, you help relieve pet homelessness at the source by making it possible for more pets to stay in their loving homes.

Launched in 2020 as a response to the public health crisis, the Chow Now Pantry was then, and is now, focused on keeping pets healthy and at home. The **SPCA Cincinnati** believes NO pet owner should have to surrender their pet because of financial challenges. This program — empowered by your generosity and 100% volunteer-run — makes keeping pets happy and housed a reality!

Last year we were excited to begin an incredible partnership with our friends at **Pets in Need of Greater Cincinnati**. This collaborative effort, made possible with your support, led to the opening of our Chow Now Pantry. This dedicated location in Lockland, Ohio, makes it possible for us to distribute pet food to inner city families who need help feeding their animals.

This year, we announced the opening of our Chow Now Pantry storefront and warehouse at 11471 Deerfield Road in Blue Ash, Ohio — a 4,000-square-foot facility for storing and distributing even more pet food to our community.

Last year, we provided an incredible



*Friends like you helped make the Grand Opening of our Chow Now Pantry storefront and warehouse possible!*

100,000 pounds of pet food to people in need. This year, with your support, we'll provide even more!

Best of all, the growth of this pantry program continues to exceed expectations. More and more, we're filling the gap and saving more pets from abandonment. Your ongoing support is essential! We invite you to make a donation of pet food in person at the **SPCA Cincinnati's** headquarters any day of the week. We're in Sharonville, Ohio, at 11900 Conrey Road. You can also donate funds to the pantry at [spcacinncincinnati.org](https://spcacinncincinnati.org).

Thanks to your generosity, we'll continue to keep pets in the Tri-State area happy, healthy, and at home! 🐾

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### Tails on the Trail

## OCTOBER 2025

SPCA SIMMONDS FARM & SIMMONDS FAMILY DOG PARK

### DOG WALK & COSTUME CONTEST

VISIT [SPCACINCINNATI.ORG](https://SPCACINCINNATI.ORG)  
FOR MORE DETAILS - COMING SOON!

## You Were Behind Tessa's Transformation

When Tessa arrived, she was a sad sight. Her fur was matted, her nails overgrown, and she was suffering from an ear infection. But her spirit was unstoppable. She was also a wonderful patient: friendly and polite with our care team, from the medical staff to our kennel technicians and humane agents. And she enjoyed her session with the groomer very much!

Every step of the way, Tessa showed us that all she needed was care and a loving touch. And now, she receives that every day. She was adopted through our Pets for Vets program.

It's because of your generous gifts that the **SPCA Cincinnati** can provide medical treatment, foster care, and forever homes to thousands of companion animals in need each year. Your love of animals is reflected in every happy tail. Thank you for replacing heartbreak with hope! 🐾



Tessa needed a spa day and a second chance. Now she's found her happily-ever-after!

## BOSS'S SECOND CHAPTER:

# You Proved It's Never Too Late for Love!



*A beloved, 9-year-old companion, Boss probably thought he was living in his "forever home." But when pets and their people need help, you make sure we can be there for them.*

**B**oss came to us due to an unexpected hardship by his owner.

For senior animals, entering a shelter environment can be especially challenging for their emotional and physical well-being. They have to leave the only life they've known for so long. But small as he is, Boss is more than just a boss... he's a champion. And he was ready to find someone new to love, despite the loss he'd had to endure.

Our team did everything possible to keep Boss's stay with us short, providing him with many opportunities to find his person. And before too long, a special person walked right in — giving this special senior a happy home.

Your kindness helps the **SPCA Cincinnati** prioritize the health and well-being of every pet who comes to us, including special seniors. Thank you for making it possible to give more vibrant years to dogs like Boss. 🐾

**PLEASE CUT AND DETACH THE REPLY FORM BELOW, AND RETURN WITH YOUR GIFT.**



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Yes! I want to help save even more animals. I've enclosed a tax-deductible gift of:

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Keep me informed of other ways I can help:

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My check is enclosed.

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