



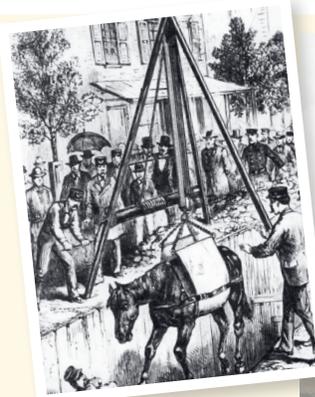
160 Years. Millions of Lives Changed.

For 160 years, the ASPCA® (American Society for the Prevention of Cruelty to Animals®) has worked to protect animals from harm and create a more compassionate world. As we celebrate this milestone, we look back at where we started — and how far we've come — **thanks to Founder's Society members like you.**

Cruelty & Disaster Response

Then: In 1866, ASPCA founder Henry Bergh stopped a cart driver from beating his horse, resulting in the first successful arrest for horse mistreatment. He went on to introduce horse-drawn ambulances to rescue injured animals — a revolutionary idea at the time.

Now: Our National Field Response team deploys nationwide to rescue animals from hurricanes, wildfires, floods and cruelty cases. Our forensic veterinarians and legal teams work tirelessly to advocate for victims and bring abusers to justice.



Advocacy & Policy

Then: Henry Bergh's advocacy laid the foundation for animal welfare laws in America, ensuring animals had legal protection for the first time. Within a few weeks of the ASPCA's founding in 1866, Bergh brought a legal case against a sea captain for his horrific treatment of sea turtles. One of the arguments made by the defendant was that the turtles were not subject to New York's anti-cruelty statute because they were "fish" and not "animals."

Now: The law has come a long way in 160 years, but our fight continues. From banning puppy mills to improving conditions for farm animals, we work to create lasting change in courtrooms and legislatures across the country.

Direct Care & Rehabilitation

Then: The ASPCA's New York shelters offered basic care for homeless animals — a groundbreaking concept when few resources existed for pets in need. In 1917, the ASPCA began spay/neuter surgeries for all cats and dogs adopted from its shelters. Over the next two decades, the number of unwanted pets being born was greatly reduced, and other cities and states adopted this practice.

Now: We provide advanced veterinary treatment, behavioral rehabilitation and relocation to thousands of animals each year from coast to coast, giving them a second chance and helping them find a loving home. From lifesaving surgeries to cross-country transports, we turn hardship into hope every day.



Happy Tail: Full House



Gemma was brought to the ASPCA's Cruelty Recover Center (CRC) after being rescued from an alleged animal fighting operation in South Carolina. Despite her harrowing past, Gemma was friendly with people and other animals alike.

Adopter Andrea was ready for another dog and felt drawn to Gemma instantly. Although her integration to life as a pet took patience and additional training, having other pets in the home helped tremendously. Rambo, one of seven

cats; and Roxy, a senior Chihuahua, accepted Gemma from the start, and now they're one big, happy family. Andrea says, "I consider Gemma the dog who needed me when I also needed her."

Subaru Drives Support for Shelter Pets



Last October, through the Subaru Loves Pets® initiative, Subaru of America, Inc. and its retailers provided over \$3.1 million in direct financial assistance to local animal shelters nationwide, through ASPCA-administered grants, to help cover adoption preparation, veterinary expenses and more. Subaru retailers also hosted adoption and pet-focused events throughout the month. **Thank you to all 630+ participating retailers for supporting animals in need.**

A Note from Matt Bershader

Founders, as spring blossoms and we celebrate 160 years of compassion, I am reminded of how far we've come together.

From our earliest days protecting horses on crowded city streets, to today's complex disaster responses, the dedication of leaders like you has been the constant thread.

When you see the progress we've made, know that it's more than history — it's hope in action. Each animal saved, each law strengthened, each life transformed reflects the power of your generosity and the enduring bond between people and animals.

Thank you for standing with us yesterday, today, and for all the tomorrows we will share. Here's to continuing this legacy of care and protection for generations to come.

Matt Bershader, *President & CEO*



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