## Newsletter | Spring 2021





# From COVID-19 to Hurricanes, the ASPCA<sup>®</sup> Helped Shelter Pets Impacted by Disasters in 2020

Even during a global pandemic, The American Society for the Prevention of Cruelty to Animals<sup>®</sup> (ASPCA) deployed when disaster struck. Collaborating with partner animal shelters, the ASPCA relocated nearly 130 homeless dogs in the path of Hurricane Delta in Alabama and Louisiana. In addition, we transported more than 100 homeless animals out of impacted communities in Louisiana following Hurricane Laura. To further support communities impacted by natural disasters, the ASPCA launched a \$1 million grant fund for animal welfare organizations providing disaster response services for animals and their communities.



A responder with a dog who was cared for at our emergency shelter after Hurricane Laura.



A kitten from a North Carolina shelter being cared for by ASPCA staff.

The ASPCA granted \$4 million to shelters and rescue organizations to support their operations and programs under the strain of COVID-19. In total, we awarded grant funds to 83 animal welfare agencies across 35 states, Washington, D.C., and U.S. territories. We also cared for more than 70 kittens when a North Carolina shelter had to quickly reduce staff in the building and animals in their care.

Through it all, the ASPCA continues to fight to ensure animals are better protected from disasters in the future. We are a strong advocate for the PREPARED Act (H.R. 1042) which would require more than 8,700 facilities regulated under the Animal Welfare Act—such as research facilities and zoos—to have disaster plans for animals in their care.

# Charitable Gift Annuities: A Win-Win for Animals and Supporters

### Earn Income from Your Gift and Create a Legacy for Animals

Charitable gift annuities are a great way to support the ASPCA<sup>®</sup> and generate income. A charitable gift annuity is a contractual agreement in which, in exchange for a minimum gift of \$10,000, the ASPCA will make payments to you, another person, or two people (age 60+) for life.

Annuities are popular with donors looking to increase their retirement income, or, as an alternative to a charitable remainder trust. They are also a great way to support our lifesaving work across the country; when an annuitant passes away, any remaining funds are a charitable gift to the ASPCA.

Annuitant Age	Single Life Annuity Rate*
60	3.9%
65	4.2%
70	4.7%
75	5.4%
80	6.5%
85	7.6%
90+	8.6%

Current charitable gift annuity rates are listed below.

In addition to receiving payments for life, you also receive a number of tax benefits, including a charitable deduction for the year your gift was made; tax-free income on a portion of your annuity payments for life; and the partial elimination of capital gains tax if you use appreciated assets to fund the annuity.

For more information or to receive a personalized charitable gift annuity proposal, please contact the ASPCA Planned Giving team at gift.planning@aspca.org or (212) 876-7700 ext. 4505.

"I think having a charitable gift annuity is a wonderful opportunity for anyone who loves animals and would like to leave a part of their estate to help them. Plus, it gives us an annual return and can be a tax write-off for several years. To me, it is a win-win situation." – Judith James, an annuitant with the ASPCA.

\*Disclaimer: Based on current rates. Deductions and calculations will vary depending on your personal circumstances. Please seek the specific advice of your tax advisor, attorney, and/or financial planner to discuss the application of these topics to your individual situation.

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