The SPCA of Texas is the oldest and largest animal welfare organization in North Texas. Since 1938, we’ve been there to rescue, treat, rehabilitate, and find homes for millions of pets. We are dedicated to providing every animal exceptional care and a loving home.

Our organization is made up of two shelters, three spay/neuter clinics, two mobile spay/neuter vehicles, one mobile adoptions vehicle, and an animal rescue center, all located in Dallas and Collin Counties, and maintain a team of animal cruelty investigators who respond to thousands of calls in North Texas counties.

In 2019, Karen Froehlich was announced as the SPCA of Texas’ President and CEO. Froehlich served as the SPCA of Texas’ Interim President and CEO following a change in leadership at the organization earlier in the year. On September 17, 2019, Karen shared that she was, “excited to lead this organization into the future.”

In the fall of 2019, we began focusing our work on making even more of a difference in the lives of our community’s most vulnerable pets and their people - work that will indeed continue to expand in 2020 and beyond.

Last year, the SPCA of Texas’ 216 employees and 2,864 volunteers found homes for 5,654 pets, provided spay/neuter surgeries for 24,983 animals, rescued 2,584 animals from cruelty, and so much more. Importantly, the organization has reached the milestone of spaying and neutering 31,632 pets since the inception of the Southern Dallas Initiative almost three years ago. The SPCA of Texas also launched its Mobile Community Wellness program using the Kivo Mobile Clinic, which provides low-cost vaccinations, microchips, flea/tick/heartworm prevention, and other preventative care for pets in Southern Dallas and beyond.

Our community’s support and commitment is extremely important as we continue to expand the lifesaving work we do beyond adoptions, spay/neuter and basic wellness services, and animal cruelty investigations.

We are able to do this vital work thanks to the support of our generous donors, advocates, and our hardworking volunteers and staff. Tremendous thanks to each and every one of you!
LIFESAVING STATISTICS

5,654 Pets Adopted

2,584 Animals Rescued from Cruelty

951 Animal Cruelty Investigations

2,864 Individual Volunteers

73,986 Volunteer Hours

1,793 Animals Fostered

801 Foster Parents

30,904 Wellness Visits

24,983 Spay/Neuter Surgeries

95.58% Live Release Rate

*All-time record high number of general public surgeries performed in one year by the SPCA of Texas.
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Like all of our Community Pet Program team, Rosa knows that a simple conversation can change someone’s worldview and even save a life. That’s where she started—with a conversation. She let Mr. Cook know that the SPCA of Texas could help give his dogs a better life. This Southern Dallas resident was skeptical, but Rosa opened with one simple action—giving his pets names. She suggested naming the dogs after the nearby cross streets, Alaska and Ohio. Mr. Cook absolutely loved that idea, and from that moment on, he was on board with providing his dogs a higher level of care.

A few weeks later, and after many more conversations, Mr. Cook invited the SPCA of Texas, along with our partners at Duck Team 6, to his house to build safe enclosures for Alaska and Ohio. What they weren’t expecting for their very first dog run build of 2019 was that Mr. Cook wanted to help. Never before had a client helped from start to finish, but Mr. Cook believed it was important to be a part of the whole process.

Almost a year later, life for Mr. Cook and his dogs is much different. Alaska and Ohio, now vaccinated and spayed/neutered, have their own separate enclosures and haven’t felt the weight of a chain for over a year. Rosa keeps in touch with all of her clients, but Mr. Cook checks in with her if he hasn’t heard from her in a few weeks. He even called Rosa to ask her to check on his dogs’ vaccination schedules because he knew they were due for a booster.

Recently, Rosa went to check on Mr. Cook and found only Ohio and no Mr. Cook. Concerned, she walked around the neighborhood trying to find out where he was and eventually ran into him, taking Alaska on her daily walk. In addition to walking them, Mr. Cook spends an hour with each dog, each day, reading to them because he was worried they were lonely.

Just because one person provides a different level of care for their dog compared to another person doesn’t mean they don’t love their dog any more or less. They may just need a little help without judgment or shame. Sometimes, all it takes is an open heart and a warm conversation to make a tremendous difference in the life of an animal— and a person. That’s what our Community Pet Program team does every day; they make personal connections in the Southern Dallas community and strengthen an all-too-important link between people and their pets to ensure they live safe, happy and healthy lives.

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The Kivo Mobile Clinic visits various locations across the Metroplex each week, reaching new pets and pet owners in need throughout our community.

May through December of 2019, the Mobile Community Wellness program & Kivo Mobile Clinic generated $99,945 in wellness revenue.

May through December of 2019, we’ve seen 4,786 patients and hosted 102 events.

2,825 flea/tick and heartworm doses purchased

1,574 pets microchipped

4,786 vaccinated pets

Thank You Stacey & Don Kivowitz

Love your pets.

214-742-7722
ZELDA’S ADOPTION
Once Abandoned, Found her Forever Home

In March, 2019, a sweet, 7-year-old Labrador Retriever mix was transferred to the SPCA of Texas from Dallas Animal Services as part of an ongoing animal cruelty investigation by the Dallas Police Department. She had been found tethered in the bed of a pickup truck, abandoned and alone for over five days, at Dallas Love Field airport. The man who admitted to leaving her there was, shockingly, a celebrity – Ultimate Fighting Championship fighter Frank Shamrock. Zelda’s story was heartbreaking, and it quickly touched off a media frenzy around the country. National news, local news, and even TMZ followed the unfolding events, and echoes also reverberated around social media.

While the Dallas Police Department worked to bring charges against Shamrock, the SPCA of Texas tended to Zelda’s care and wellbeing. Surprisingly, Zelda appeared to be healthy and in good condition upon her arrival at the SPCA of Texas, but the pain of being abandoned for so long was evident. She was shy, timid, and unsure of new people. Our staff knew they would have to work to earn her trust. She was examined by a Veterinarian and monitored by our hardworking Animal Behaviorists and Animal Care Specialists at the Russell E. Dealey Animal Rescue Center and the Jan Rees-Jones Animal Care Center.

Over time, her sweet, gentle personality began to shine.

After gaining her trust, our staff felt that Zelda was finally ready to find a forever home. We knew she would need a patient, understanding owner who would never abandon her again. She didn’t have to wait for long. The sweetest family anyone could have imagined came in to meet her the day she made her adoption floor debut. They had set up a Pet Alert on spca.org/findapet just for her immediately after hearing about her story on the news. Our Adoption Specialists made the introductions, and everyone agreed that this was the perfect home for Zelda. After capturing the hearts of people nationwide, Zelda was able to fall in love with a new family of her very own.

Best of all, Zelda was eager to give the vast amount of love in her heart to her new mom, who had recently suffered the loss of a family member. They are living happily ever after and all of our hearts are full!
Zelda is medically and behaviorally evaluated at Russell E. Dealey Animal Rescue Center. Zelda is examined by veterinarian and is apparently healthy despite being abandoned. Staff at the SPCA of Texas work hard to gain Zelda’s trust and build her confidence.

**MARCH 8, 2019**

A loving family comes in to meet Zelda after receiving a Pet Alert. Her new owner, who heard about her on the news, is a perfect match for Zelda. Zelda is officially adopted into a loving home!

**MARCH 8, 2019**

Dallas Animal Services and Dallas Police Department receive a call about a dog left at Dallas Love Field Airport. Dallas Police Department opens animal cruelty investigation and transfers dog to SPCA of Texas.

**MARCH 7, 2019**

Zelda begins to come out of her shell, letting her sweet personality shine! Zelda is cleared for adoption and is moved to the Jan Rees-Jones Animal Care Center adoption floor!

**MARCH 28, 2019**

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**MARCH 28, 2019**

Zelda and her new family.
A love for animals knows no bounds. And when you combine that love with a spirit of generosity, you get the Payne family. John and Lana Payne quickly became part of the SPCA of Texas family in 2017 when they were first involved with Fur Ball, our annual black-tie fundraising gala.

Before that though, a life-long passion for animals has been a driving force for John and Lana, who, before ever having children, once owned 22 dogs at the same time. On their ranch, they currently have a variety of animals they care for, with five dogs residing at their home in Dallas. One of their dogs was fostered and adopted from the SPCA of Texas’ Jan Rees-Jones Animal Care Center.

In 2019, John and Lana, along with their children Katherine and Jacob, became the first family ever to chair Fur Ball. Through their leadership and involvement, the gala raised more than it had ever done before at $794,000! And Jacob, a senior at Jesuit Preparatory School, led a group of 14 classmates in the Paddle Pull portion of the evening’s program that raised $81,000, including a match by Russell E. Dealey. The Paddle Pull was a brand new addition in 2019!

The Paynes believe that the SPCA of Texas goes the extra mile for all animals in need. And that is only part of the reason why they are so dedicated to the organization and eager to inspire others to follow in their footsteps.

“I don’t think people know what all the SPCA of Texas does, and it’s important to share that,” Lana said. The Paynes’ deep support and continued leadership have helped pave the way for a new era for Fur Ball and the organization, and we are excited for what the future holds with the Paynes as part of our SPCA of Texas family!
WAYS TO GIVE

You Save Lives.

This past year, the SPCA of Texas received over 57,000 gifts, which allowed us to save animals from cruelty and neglect, provide invaluable resources to pet owners in need, and demonstrate a commitment to helping find every animal a loving home.

Your support, no matter how big or small, means everything to the animals we serve. There are so many ways to give back, and whether your support is a gift of time, items, or money, your donation matters to the lives of thousands of animals throughout North Texas.

Thank you for being the voice for animals who cannot speak for themselves, and for joining us during such an important year.

Thank you for making our work possible.

Learn how you can make an impact year-round with a monthly gift or about other ways to give at spca.org/waystogive.
MAKING AN INVESTMENT
In Your Community

Leave a Legacy that will Save Lives

When you include the SPCA of Texas in your will, you are helping save lives for years to come. Please visit spca.org/bequests or email us at legacy@spca.org. If you have already included us in your estate plans, please let us know so that we can thank you and welcome you to the Legacy Society.

How Your Donations are Spent

Revenues
$33,816,000

Expenses
$27,300,000

$.86 of every dollar you give is spent directly for animal care and programs right here in North Texas.

As an independent 501 (c)(3) organization, we are not a branch or chapter of the ASPCA or any other humane group. We are funded by our generous donors, and 100% of your gifts stay right here in our community.

The SPCA of Texas’ strong financial health and commitment to accountability and transparency have earned it a 4-star rating from Charity Navigator, America’s largest independent charity evaluator. The SPCA of Texas has received four consecutive 4-star ratings, putting the organization within the top 16% of organizations evaluated by Charity Navigator.

The 2019 income total includes $7.8 million that the SPCA of Texas received in bequests. We are eternally grateful to those whose generous bequests we receive. These planned gifts build the financial foundation to continue our life saving work far into the future.

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THANKS TO YOU, IN 2019...

Pets Received

- Cats & Kittens: 2,936
- Dogs & Puppies: 2,695
- Equine: 164
- Other: 1,356

*Other pets include livestock, small mammals, birds, etc.

Pets Adopted

- Cats & Kittens: 2,772
- Dogs & Puppies: 2,383
- Equine: 201
- Other: 298

Pet Resource Center

- Total Pets Helped: 442
- Pets Retained in Homes: 131
- Retention Rate: 93.57%

Communications

- Website Visits: 1.8 million
- Social Followers: 143,064
- Calls Answered: 102,191
- Total Media Value: $127 million+

Pet resource Center

- 93.57% Retention Rate
  *Based on owners reached during 30-day check-in.

Community Pet Program

- General Public Spays/Neuters: 21,707
- Shelter Spays/Neuters: 3,276
- Wellness Visits: 30,904

Mobile Community Wellness

- Wellness Pets Served: 4,786

Southern Dallas Initiative

- Households Reached: 53,655
- Face-to-Face Interactions: 41,516
- Spay/Neuter Surgery Package Total: 11,299

How Your Donations are spent
The SPCA of Texas is dedicated to providing every animal exceptional care and a loving home.

SERVING ANIMALS IN NORTH TEXAS

The SPCA of Texas is the leading animal welfare agency in North Texas with two shelters, three spay/neuter clinics, two mobile spay/neuter clinics, one mobile adoptions unit and an animal rescue center located in Dallas and Collin Counties, and serves as an active resource center providing an array of programs and services that bring people and animals together to enrich each other’s lives.

A comprehensive animal welfare agency, the SPCA of Texas is not affiliated with any other entity and does not receive general operating funds from the City of Dallas, State of Texas, federal government, or any other humane organization.

We are a 501(c)(3) nonprofit organization (Tax ID #75-1216660), dedicated to the welfare of animals and people.