

Animal Charity

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Animal Charity proudly serves as Mahoning County's only humane society. We have been diligently serving our community for over 45 years as we continue to build trusting relationships with our clients and supporters.

Our mission is to end animal suffering and supply humane living conditions for mistreated animals. We are the haven for animals in need and truly appreciate the support we receive from our community. Animal Charity could not continue its services without this support.

Animal Charity has expanded into an organization that offers more than just humane investigations. Although anti-cruelty is our centralized mission, we provide additional services such as humane education programs, emergency care for endangered wildlife, and a high-quality low-cost veterinary clinic. However, we are a non-profit organization and our continuation depends on the donations we receive from the community.

As Animal Charity grows, we have several long-term and short-term goals that we would like to achieve. We would like to hire additional staff to help with the demand of our services. Developing volunteer and educational programs will benefit our organization as well as the public. We would like to begin marketing our educational and anti-cruelty services through the media via newspaper, television, radio and billboards.

We currently have a backlog of cruelty cases for our humane agents to investigate. Immediate response to these cases is preferred, but unfortunately not always possible. The summer months brings about dozens of cases of animals being left outside to starve and dehydrate. While we would love to respond to each case immediately, the additional hours needed for our humane agents to take action would exceed the amount of funds that we have available. Such an aggressive campaign simply cannot happen without additional funding.

We have noticed a rapid increase in the number of animals that we have to seize due to cruelty, neglect or abandonment. The state of our economy is partially to blame. It is expensive to properly care for animals, which is why we need to continue our low-cost veterinary services to the public. We want to give the best care possible to our clients and their pets.

Living in a world free of animal cruelty is a goal we strive for. Ultimately, we would like to build or move to a residence to house abandoned, abused and neglected animals.

The staff at Animal Charity and our four-legged friends appreciate your support and sincerely thank you.

Two-thousand-nine is in full swing here at Animal Charity. I can hardly believe the summer months are almost over. I want to personally thank all of our contributors, volunteers, board members and employees for their patience and cooperation during all of the changes this year. Without people like you, Animal Charity would not be able to provide so many animals with the care that they need and deserve. We work hard to protect all animals and help all pet owners. We feel it is important to offer quality care at affordable prices. We work carefully to keep our prices within your reach so pet owners are able to properly care for their pets! Our humane department has also been working diligently to rescue abandoned, neglected and abused animals. We have been overwhelmed with calls this season. We have saved so many! But, this work never ends. We are currently seeking assistance from the city and county so we can get to more animals quicker. We are now the only humane society in Mahoning County with two humane agents. We do our best, but we can't do it all. Your dedication to Animal Charity allows us to add new services and carry out our mission. Our dogs, cats, and rabbits are up for adoption. They all need a loving and caring home. We hope that you come and see us soon! We look forward to a continued successful relationship with all of our patients, clients and supporters! Don't forget to protect your pets against fleas, ticks and heartworms!

Nikole Owen
Chief Executive Officer

Animal Charity Staff

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Veterinarian Technician	Rhea Weimer

I would like to thank all of the staff for their hard work and dedication, and welcome the new staff members. Our team is one of the best. You can be assured your pet is in great hands when brought to Animal Charity.

I would also like to thank Dr. Thomas Crowl, DVM, who is currently serving as our relief veterinarian. We appreciate his dedication and services provided to Animal Charity.



Summer fundraisers & events

Wellness Clinics

Pet Supplies Plus
411 Boardman-Canfield Road
Youngstown, Ohio
44512
Boardman Plaza
Sept. 19 & Oct. 17

2 p.m.-4 p.m.

Reduced vaccinations/tests
Rabies: \$8
DHLPP/DHPP: \$10
Bordatella: \$10
Heartworm Test: \$15
FVR/CPC/Felv: \$15
FVR/CPC: \$10

RICCO

Needs your help!

Ricco is a local police dog that assists ACO with education programs and other various activities. He is in desperate need of some equipment. If you would like to help Ricco - please send your donation to Animal Charity:
3722 South Avenue
Youngstown, OH
44502
Marked "Ricco"



Thank you for your support.
Ricco appreciates it!

Upcoming Events

Our soon-to-come fundraisers include a pancake breakfast and spaghetti dinner. Look for flyers and check our web site for dates. Hope to see you there!

Education Services

We offer a free-of-charge educational programs. However, donations are accepted and appreciated. We offer our programs to local schools, preschools and community organizations. Subjects include animal care, ecology, wilderness preservation and environmental awareness. If you are interested in these services, please call Animal Charity at 330-788-1064 ex. 19.

Summer ticks test pet owners

The summer season brings parasitic pests onto our pets and into our homes. Ticks latch themselves onto every class of vertebrates and carry infectious diseases, including Lyme disease. They are tricky to remove and prevention is highly recommended during the summer months.

Tick Tips

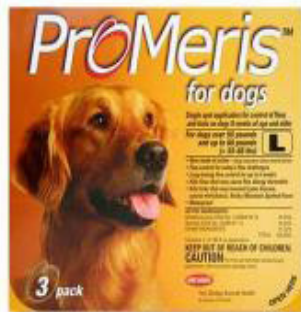
Ticks gravitate to damp, shady areas. They are generally active from April to November. Inspect your pet daily if it plays in high grasses or you live near a wooded area. They are commonly found around your pet's neck, head and ears.

How to remove a tick

When you find a tick, remove it with small tweezers. Ticks generally do not like heat, so having the tip of the tweezers hot may help remove it easier. Be sure to remove the entire tick, including the head. Cleanse the area with an antiseptic and wash your hands afterward.



Symptoms of Lyme disease



Symptoms of tick-borne disease in your pet includes:

- Fever
- Swollen joints
- Loss of appetite

Please see your veterinarian if you suspect your pet may have Lyme disease. A blood test can be performed to diagnose the disease.

ALONE AGAIN

I wish someone would tell me what it is
That I've done wrong.
Why I have to stay chained up and
Left alone for so long.
They seemed so glad to have me when
I came here as a pup.
There were so many things we'd do
While I was growing up.
They couldn't wait to train me as a
Companion and a friend.
And told me how they'd never fear
Being left alone again.
The children said they'd feed me and
Brush me everyday.
They'd play with me and walk me
If I could only stay.
But now the family "Hasn't Time";
They often say I shed.
They do not want me in the house
Not even to be fed.
The children never walk me.
They always say, "NOT NOW!"
I wish that I could please them.
Won't someone tell me how?
All I had, you see, was love.
I wish they would explain
Why they said they wanted me,
Then left me on a chain?

-Anonymous



ANIMAL CHARITY DONATION FORM

Animal Charity
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Phone:
330-788-1064
Fax:
330-783-0662

Animal Charity is a non-profit organization and funds its operations from donations like mine. Please find it in your hearts to aid in the funding of Animal Charity.

I'd like to donate the following amount:

- \$15.00
- \$25.00
- \$50.00
- \$75.00
- \$100.00
- \$200.00
- \$_____ (Other)

Name _____ Phone () _____
Address _____
City _____ State _____ Zip _____

My check is enclosed Make checks payable to Animal Charity
Amount \$ _____ Check Number _____

Please charge my credit card

Visa Mastercard Discover American Express

Card # _____ Expiration Date _____

Print name on card _____

Signature _____