



Santa Barbara County Animal Care Foundation, Inc.

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The Foundation At A Glance

- ◆ The SBCACF is an all-volunteer, non-profit 501 c-3 organization founded in the spring of 2002.
- ◆ Slogan: *"Together We Can Save Lives."* It's mission is to promote animal welfare through education, outreach, collaboration and promotion of the humane ethic and responsible treatment of all animals.
- ◆ In partnership with SBC Animal Services towards no-kill county for adoptable and rehabilitatable animals.
- ◆ During its first year, the SBCACF focused on the area that would make the most impact. It secured restricted funding to launch the building of the new *Santa Maria Animal Center* (SMAC) that, after sitting on the county shelf for 12 years, was opened during the summer of 2005.
- ◆ Other restricted monies funded additional SMAC projects: Kennels, medical and clinic equipment, Rabbit Resort, and dog and rabbit play yards.
- ◆ Sponsored three different county-wide television advertisements promoting shelter adoption, spay neuter programs, shelter volunteerism and fostering.
- ◆ The Foundation's *Medical Fund* assists with the costs in extensive surgeries for shelter animals, the majority of which are surgical repair of fractures. Other surgeries, treatments and therapeutic devices are also supported. This is a significant contribution towards the Foundation's no-kill goal.
- ◆ SBCACF provides supportive funding and manpower for ongoing Spay Day weekends held every other month to assist in reducing unwanted and feral cat litters.
- ◆ In partnership with the Santa Barbara Foundation, the SBCACF funded a two-year position for a Santa Maria Volunteer Coordinator to build a strong volunteer force for the County's largest animal shelter.
- ◆ Provided funding for rabbit cages at the Lompoc Animal Shelter
- ◆ Purchased an extra anesthesia machine for use at any shelter
- ◆ Provided financial assistance for the ASAP (*Animal Shelter Assistance Program*) surgery suite
- ◆ Assisted with the purchase of a dental machine for ASAP
- ◆ Provided Disaster Relief Funding for companion animal fire victims.
- ◆ Launched the HOPE Project (*Humane Outreach through Humane Education*) in local public schools with a focus on responsible pet stewardship, bite safety, pet overpopulation and the Pet Cadet Service Learning Challenge. This program cultivates the fertile minds of our youth, planting seeds of change for a better tomorrow. In Summer 2009 the Foundation launched the first three sessions of Camp HOPE for kids 9-12 years.
- ◆ A Cause 4 Paws and Dogtoberfest Pledgewalk and Pet Fair are held to increase awareness, act as fundraising vehicles, and provide fun for the whole family. The beloved Santa Barbara Fur Ball is currently taking a well-deserved cat nap.

◆ Annual goals for the SBCACF:

Direct Medical Care for County shelter animals & clinic funding
Pet Overpopulation- Spay Neuter Incentive Program & Feral Cat Spay Days
Education- Camp HOPE and HOPE workshops
Promotion of Shelter Volunteerism
Support of shelter-specific volunteer organizations & foster programs



The SBCACF's potential for outreach, education, and humanitarian progress is limitless.

Together We Can Save Lives!