Each year, our Planned Pethood Low Cost Spay/Neuter Clinic, now 9 years old, alters thousands of pets, in turn, preventing tens of thousands of unwanted litters. We do community outreach in underserved communities like nearby Trenton by providing low/no cost spay/neuter surgeries to animals in critical need.

Your contributions make you a partner in the work we do each day and directly reduce the collective suffering of many cats and dogs in need. We invite any of our donors to set up an appointment to take a tour of our shelter and clinic, and see your donations in action. We also encourage our supporters to remember Animal Alliance in your estate planning, as planned giving enables all of us animal lovers to make larger gifts than are possible from ordinary income.

Best Wishes to you and all of your 4-legged companions,

Annie Trinkle, Executive Director

Such A Sweet Smile!

Sweet Smiling Boy “PECOS” arrived to Animal Alliance with a broken jaw after being deliberately injured by a depraved human. His jaw has now been repaired perfectly, but he lost part of his tongue and some teeth. Though Pecos was terribly traumatized and badly hurt, he has recovered beautifully. His sister Cali was also injured and is awaiting adoption along with Pecos. Animal Alliance routinely takes in special needs dogs like Pecos. We are great believers in “the tincture of time” which means every animal gets as much time as it needs to recover from past trauma.

Happy Fall to All! We are just recovering from summer, our busiest time of year at Animal Alliance, & we are going 100 mph every day. Owner relinquishments and abandonments surge at shelters in summer, kittens and puppies are born in warm weather months, and our utility bills skyrocket. Thanks to the loyal dedication of our donors, we help a sizable number of pets in need at Animal Alliance year-round, but summer is a tough time so fall is when we get back on our feet.

As always, Animal Alliance focuses our rescue efforts on victims of cruelty and neglect, some of whom are highlighted in this newsletter. We ask for your generous support to assist us from behind the scenes in our mission of aiding animals in dire need. Our supporters are the heart and soul of the work we do each day, it is your compassionate hearts that provide for the care that these animals need to recover and have a fresh, new start when they are placed into their adoptive home.

Photos by Nanette Kardaszkeski, fatdogfoto.com
Volunteers to the Rescue

Cat Adoption Program Update

We are pleased to announce a new residential cat adoption program inside PetSmart in Flemington, NJ. Under the direction of volunteer Nadine Johnson, this program launched in April and many cats have found their homes since then. Together with Pet Valu in New Hope, PA, we now have a total of 15 cats residing in the comfort of pet supply retailers, and another 20 cats in our shelter.

Volunteers Always Needed

Animal Alliance hosts many corporate volunteer groups for team building or community service projects. We also welcome scouting troops and other community organizations to host supply drives for our shelter and then take a shelter tour when delivering the supplies. And, our individual volunteers substantially improve the quality of life of our shelter animals. Visit our newly designed website for more information on volunteer opportunities.

A HERO AMONG US!

Dr. Joe Martins, owner of Belle Mead Animal Hospital, has been VOLUNTEERING his time at our Planned Pethood Low Cost Spay/Neuter clinic for months, covering the maternity leave of our veterinarian of record, Dr. Lesley Vannerson. Dr. Martins has a special expertise in behavior and provides a “fear-free” experience at his practice for dogs and cats with behavioral challenges. Dr. Martins is going to start doing periodic behavioral training in our newly acquired space next to our adoption center. Stay tuned for more information about how you can participate in learning sessions to help your pet become the best they can be!

In-store Cat Adoption Cages Flemington, NJ PetSmart Store

Deloitte Impact Day June 2018

Dr. Joe Martins, DVM examining a foster puppy at AA
NEW Vehicle Donation Program!

Donated vehicles help “drive” our mission of “rescue, rehabilitate, spay/neuter, shelter, & adopt” & we receive a substantial portion of the value.

It’s an easy way to repurpose any unwanted vehicle (cars, motorcycles, boats and jet skis). Donating is easy, tax-deductible, & eliminates the hassle of selling or fixing a car that might be more costly to repair than replace. It’s a simple donation process with free pick-up of the vehicle.

Visit www.careasy.org/animal-alliance or Call 855.500.RIDE

“So happy with how well everything worked out. I donated my car and Animal Alliance received a substantial contribution, which I can count as a tax deductible donation.”

Nancy Lapid, AA adopter and first car donor

EXPANSION NEWS!

We have just acquired another 1,000 square feet of space to the left of adoption center, which will be our front desk/office area. Our current front desk and lobby area will be for rehabilitation for long-term cases.

Visit http://freshpet.com/fresh-start for video about our expansion.

A s part of Animal Alliance’s community outreach, we help residents of nearby Trenton, just 12 miles from us to get their pets “fixed” and vaccinated at our Planned Pethood clinic. St. Hubert’s Animal Welfare Center holds free vaccine clinics in Trenton and hands out vouchers for free spay/neuter to the hundreds of attendees who come for vaccines. Animal Alliance and St. Hubert’s split the cost of each surgery. A volunteer driver picks up the pets from households that do not have transportation. This summer, almost 100 pets were spayed/neutered at Animal Alliance through this program, many of whom have had multiple litters of unwanted puppies and kittens. Each animal that is spayed/neutered directly reduces future pet overpopulation!
From Paralyzed to Paradise

Animal Alliance stepped forward to take a group of dogs that had been tied to an open trailer and driven hours to a rural shelter in an impoverished area of Georgia. We knew that the 5 dogs were heartworm positive -- expensive and time-consuming treatment would take months. But there was another twist to the story that we weren’t expecting.

One dog, Carson, arrived completely paralyzed in the hind end. We had no idea what happened to him in transport, but he was unable to stand or walk when we received him. He needed his bladder manually expressed 4 times per day, and if he was going to regain any function in his legs, he needed immediate care.

So, we sent Carson to our area’s best program for pain and movement disorders in companion animals: Belle Mead Animal Hospital’s Pain Clinic, headed by Dr. Kim Somjen, an expert in helping animals regain mobility after injury, infirmity, or surgery. There, Carson underwent many rounds of therapy including acupuncture, cold laser, electrical stimulation to his nerves and other physical therapy exercises. He made enough progress that we purchased a doggie wheelchair for him because his back legs had made some good progress.

Some shelters would have given up on Carson early on, due to his paralysis and need for heartworm treatment. But we stood by Carson, and in turn, he stood by his ADOPTIVE MOM when she was married. A giant-hearted nurse from Belle Mead Animal Hospital Chrissy, who was very involved in his care, decided to adopt him. A joyous turn of events, a miracle made possible by our generous donors!