

# SUPPORTING THE LOST DOGS' HOME

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The Lost Dogs' Home relies on the generosity of individuals and groups to help us provide essential services, care, shelter and food to cats and dogs in need. Each year we care for more than 25,000 lost, abandoned and neglected cats and dogs. The Home welcomes the support of individuals and groups, whether it be a partnership, fundraising event, cash donation or in kind donation.

# Donate to The Lost Dogs' **Home online**

You can donate to us directly from our website. Visit www.dogshome.com/donate

# **HOW CAN YOU HELP?**

There are a number of ways you can support the Home's work. These include:

- Cash donations
- Regular giving ('Friend of PAWs')
- Partnerships
- · Corporate and community fundraising
- Payroll giving
- Bequests
- · Gifts in kind
- Gifts in lieu
- Gifts in memory

# **Cash donations**

Donations over \$2 are tax deductible and can be directed towards the general work of the Home, or, if preferred, a specific project such as Capital Works.

# Regular giving - 'Friend of PAWs'

As a 'Friend of PAWs', each month your donation is automatically and securely debited from your nominated credit card or bank account. Our 'Friends of PAWs' support every aspect of our work, whilst ensuring we can commit to future plans to benefit cats and dogs.

# Partnerships

Opportunities exist for like-minded organisations to partner with the Home. Businesses that support and share our vision to reduce the incidence of stray and abandoned animals are invited to contact the Home to discuss partnership proposals.

# **Corporate and Community Fundraising**

Businesses, community groups and schools can get involved and support the Home. Some of the ways groups raise money include sausage sizzles, trivia nights, casual clothes days and raffles.

The Home is happy to provide promotional material where possible and will suitably acknowledge your group's efforts. Branded donation tins are available.

# **Payroll Giving**

The Home works in conjunction with Charities Aid Foundation (CAF) to administer our payroll giving program. CAF Australia's program provides nonprofit organisations with a regular, steady stream of donations to support essential core funding, future planning and specific projects.

For more information, visit www.cafaustralia.org.au.

#### Bequests

By leaving a gift in your will to The Lost Dogs' Home, you will provide lasting help to lost, abandoned and neglected animals, most notably in capital works or the purchase of essential veterinary equipment or animal ambulances.

Please contact our Bequest Officer, Tracey Anderson on 03 9321 8746 for more information on how a bequest will benefit cats and dogs in need.

# **Gifts in kind**

Gifts in kind are gratefully accepted by the Home. With more than 25,000 cats and dogs relying on our care each year, bedding and pet food are always in high demand.

Items we accept:

- Blankets
- Towels
- Cat and dog toys
- Cat litter
- Dog leads
- Good quality tinned and dry pet food

Unfortunately we are unable to accept doonas, quilts, pillows and cushions or any furniture due to health and safety reasons.

### **Donation drives**

Holding a drive to collect bedding, toys or pet food is a fantastic way to get friends, family and colleagues involved. The Home is happy to provide promotional material where possible and will suitably acknowledge your group's efforts.

#### Handmade blankets and dog jumpers

Dogs of all sizes, particularly short-haired breeds, appreciate the warmth of a

knitted, sewn or crocheted jumper or coat.

Rugs and blankets of all sizes are primarily used for cats and kittens and within our hospital and provide these animals with additional comfort and warmth.

#### **Veterinary supplies**

Unused medical/veterinary supplies, including bandages, surgical equipment and consumables are often in need. If you are able to support the clinic's work in this way, please contact Frank Samways Veterinary Clinic on (03) 8379 4498.

We appreciate it if you are able to deliver or send your gift directly to the Home, however we are able to arrange collection from some areas.

#### **Gifts in lieu**

When celebrating special occasions, such as your wedding, engagement, birthday or Christmas, loved ones can make a donation to The Lost Dogs' Home in your name. They will receive a tax-deductible receipt and we will inform you of gifts made in your name.

#### **Gifts in memory**

Traditionally mourners would take flowers to memorial services. These days many people request a gift is made to a nominated charity. The Home has discreet 'In Memoriam' envelopes which can be made available at the memorial service.

# **THANK YOU!**

It is only through the wonderful support of people like you that we can continue to make a difference in the lives of cats and dogs.

Please call (**03**) **8379 4453** to speak to a member of our Fundraising team.



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We rely on public support to run services and programs, including: proactive adoption, foster care, behaviour rehabilitation, low cost desexing and microchipping, and the promotion of better pet ownership through education.