

I. CHESTER COUNTY COMMUNITY FOUNDATION GRANT PROPOSAL SUMMARY SHEET

One page only. This page will be shared electronically with Grant Committee Members & Fund Advisors.

Note: If Philanthropy Network of Greater Philadelphia's Common Grant Application is used, the Community Foundation's

Summary Sheet MUST accompany application.

To obtain an electronic version of this application, visit www.chescocf.org

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Has your nonprofit ever applied to the Community Foundation? Yes No Not Sure
Has your nonprofit ever received funding from the Community Foundation? Yes No Not Sure
 Donor Advised Fund(s) Fund for Chester County Don't know/Not sure

Field/s of Interest:

Arts, Culture & Humanities Environment/Animal Welfare Education
 Health Human Services Religion

Organization Information:

Geographic Area Served (If not all of Chester County, specify primary Chester County regions served): Southwestern PA, including Chester and Delaware Counties

Describe Population Served and Annual Number of People Served:

While Providence Animal Center does not collect the socioeconomic information of our clients, pockets of poverty exist in Chester and Delaware County's overall populations of 500,000 and 565,000 respectively. According to the Census Bureau, Delaware County experiences an 8.1% unemployment rate and 10.8% of Delaware County households live deeply in poverty – with an income level equal to or below fifty percent of that which is set by federal standards. For Chester County the unemployment rate is 6.1% and individuals living below the poverty line is 6.2%. This level of poverty in our region means that a need exists for low-cost pet healthcare to ensure that loved pets are kept safe and healthy in homes where animal care may not be a budget priority. Providence Animal Center is committed to meeting this need for the whole Southwestern region of Pennsylvania. Through our TAILS program, we reach states in the eastern region of the country, even reaching into Puerto Rico.

Mission:

Providence Animal Center (formerly known as the Delaware County SPCA), offers life-affirming rescue, medical care, treatment, protection and placement of companion animals while upholding the critical importance of the human-animal bond. At Providence Animal Center, we have an unwavering commitment to this mission and will always strive to deliver the most advanced care and service to our animal friends – and their owners. Simply put, Providence Animal Center is all about lifesaving; adoption; wellness; community.

Proposal Summary:

Providence Animal Center is seeking is funding to assist with our Transporting Animals Into Loving Situations (TAILS) Program, which rescues dogs and cats from high-risk situations and brings them to our facility to be treated medically and adopted into loving families.

If Capacity Building Proposal, the focus is:

___ Mission, Vision & Strategy ___ Governance & Leadership ___ Strategic Relationships
___ Fundraising & Development ___ Technology Other: _____

Annual Budget \$4,210,000 _____ ___ 31 ___ # of Full-Time Equivalent Paid Staff
___ 60 ___ % of budget for program expenses ___ 10 ___ # of Board Volunteers
___ 30 ___ % of budget for administrative expenses ___ 389 ___ # of Active Non-Board Volunteers
___ 10 ___ % of budget for fundraising expenses ___ 33,000 ___ # of Volunteer Hours
100 % total

Top 3-5 funding sources:

Veterinary income, fundraising income, adoption income

Grant Amount Requested from the Community Foundation: \$ 7,500 _____

II. CHESTER COUNTY COMMUNITY FOUNDATION GRANT PROPOSAL NARRATIVE

Chester County Community Foundation Grant Proposal Narrative

Our history, goals, key achievements and distinctiveness

Providence Animal Center (formerly Delaware County SPCA) was established in 1911 with the original purpose of providing watering troughs for work horses around Delaware County, PA.

In 2012 after serving the area for many years as an open-intake facility, we made the courageous change to become a lifesaving organization, which means no adoptable animal is put down. Euthanasia is reserved only for animals that are incurably sick or too behaviorally aggressive to be adopted out into the community. On May 10, 2016, we announced our new name, Providence Animal Center, which better portrays the important lifesaving work we do every day. Providence Animal Center is a registered 501(c)(3) non-profit organization which receives no funding from any government agency. We are funded solely by the generous contributions of individual donors and grant-making organizations. The Delaware County

Chamber of Commerce recently named us the 2018 Nonprofit of the Year, an award we proudly accept. We consistently maintain a four out of four-star rating on Charity Navigator.

Our daily work is lifesaving. We rescue cats and dogs from overcrowded shelters, accept pets surrendered by their owners, and adopt these animals into loving, forever homes. In 2018, we saved over 4,000 lives and currently operate at a 97% save rate; well above the industry standard for lifesaving organizations. These pets are afforded the highest quality care from our staff of veterinarians, who are all alumni of Penn Vet. We offer an array of low-cost vet services, a valuable resource to the community which helps to keep pets in their homes, prevents overpopulation, and aligns with our membership in the Philly No Kill Coalition. In 2018, our esteemed veterinarians performed 6,391 surgeries, including spay/neuter and other lifesaving surgeries, and treated 5,299 Wellness Clinic patients. We also offer mobile microchipping and vaccination clinics each week and subsidized spay/neuter days targeted at the most overpopulated pets in our area several times a year. Providence Animal Center employs a full-time Humane Society Police Officer, who rescues animals suffering from cruelty and neglect.

Our Pet Food Pantry Program supplies local food banks with dog and cat food so their clients can afford to keep their beloved pets. Through our Safe Haven Program, pets of victims of domestic abuse are cared for through our facility while their owners stay at a local women's shelter and find safe housing. We are very active in the community as we provide humane education and volunteer opportunities for local children and enjoy a robust network of dedicated foster families.

We have undergone successful capital improvements over the past few years including; a new Medical Wing for surgeries; a new low-cost Medical Clinic and Behavioral Center; an updated Adoption Center, the Cattery; and new Canine Kennels, which enhance the experience for our adoptive families and furry friends who find refuge at our Center as they await their forever homes. These upgrades have solidified Providence Animal Center as the dominant lifesaving organization throughout the region, along the East Coast, and even beyond the continental United States.

TAILS Program

Providence Animal Center is committed to being a leader in saving the lives of companion animals. As proud members of the Philly No Kill Coalition, we are committed to making Philadelphia a no-kill city where every healthy and treatable pet is guaranteed a home. We accomplish this through our comprehensive rescue and prevention efforts: pulling at-risk animals out of the region's open admissions shelters and placing them in loving adoptive and foster homes. In order to reduce the number of owner surrendered pets that are in homes and

loved to kill-shelters, we also provide low- or no-cost veterinary services and low-cost spay/neuter surgery to disadvantaged pet owners, enabling pets to remain as cherished family members rather than face abandonment and preventing the birth of unwanted litters. This is called our TAILS (Transporting Animals Into Loving Situations) program. Our reach extends far beyond the Delaware Valley. We collaborate with numerous high-volume, high-risk shelters in areas from the Mid-Atlantic and southern U.S., and as far as Puerto Rico and St. Croix.

Providence Animal Center's TAILS program began in 2012 as a local program designed to bring a small number of dogs and cats to our facility when we had available kennel space. It has since grown as we have built a network of 23 rescues and shelters across the United States and Puerto Rico. Through TAILS, we rescue cats and dogs from high-risk animal shelters, which alleviates space so animals will not have to be euthanized. We also rescue animals from dangerous situations, such as hurricanes and tornadoes. Because of our vast medical resources, we can save animals with special medical needs from shelters where they would otherwise never be given a second chance. Our experienced staff, which includes 2 full-time and 4 part-time veterinarians and intensive rehabilitation programs, ensures successful rehoming experiences and success rates. Depending upon the needs of our sourcing partners, Providence Animal Center provides financial support, medical supplies, travel expenses and in some circumstances, the necessary staff to bring the animals safely to our life saving facility.

Our goals for the TAILS program are to continue to operate our facility at a save rate of 95 percent or higher, which is much higher than the industry standard of 70 percent.

We also set goals around cat and dog rescues:

- 2017 - 3,126 cats and dogs rescued
- 2018 - 2,418 cats and dogs rescued (much lower due to kennel renovations)
- 2019 goal - 3,200 cats and dogs rescued

While we do not have specific goals regarding the number of organizations with which we partner, we currently have relationships with 23 organizations across the upper eastern half of the United States and Puerto Rico; we are open to transporting dogs/cats from any organization that meets our protocol standards, so long as we have the resources. This aligns with our commitment to be a no-kill center. We measure success of our program with the save rate, or the following formula: (Intake minus Euthanasia Outcomes) divided by Intake. "Save Rate" could also be called the "Not Euthanized Rate." This formula assumes that an animal saved is an animal NOT euthanized. Providence Animal Center defines an animal saved as one with a Live Outcome (adoption, returned to owner, transferred out, etc).

Our 2019 budget for TAILS is \$194,047. The average per animal cost from the time we identify an animal for transport until the time they become available for adoption is approximately \$78. In 2018, 1,147 cats and 1,563 dogs were transported into the center. We anticipate a thirty percent increase in animal transports this year.

Any funds received through this grant would cover the costs of pre- transportation health fees, partner transportation fees and post- transportation care costs of these dogs and cats once they arrive at our no-kill shelter, unless otherwise desired by the Foundation.

We take accountability to stakeholders seriously.

The operating procedures and budget of Providence Animal Center are governed by a Board of Directors who oversee the organization and ensure that each department is working towards achieving the organization's mission. Providence Animal Center conducts annual external audits of our financial procedures.