



SNPLA

TOGETHER, WE CAN FIX THIS

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MISSION

SNPLA's mission is to substantially reduce animal shelter euthanasia and intake by providing high quality, low-cost veterinary services to underserved communities in the Los Angeles area.

VISION

Our vision is to ensure veterinary services are affordable and accessible to all pets in the Los Angeles area and to create an environment in which animal shelters no longer euthanize adoptable pets.

STEPPING UP FOR LA PETS



Covid-19 presented an economic crisis for hundreds of thousands of Angelenos. As a result, SNPLA experienced remarkably high demand for our affordable, high quality veterinary care and spay/neuter services in 2020. Thanks to the continued support of a community of animal-loving individuals, businesses and foundations, team SNPLA was able to provide access to veterinary care to over 30,000 LA cats and dogs despite myriad challenges presented by the pandemic.

In March of 2020, SNPLA began to adapted each of our lifesaving programs to care for pets while adhering to new and evolving health guidelines. In order to ensure access to medical care for the most vulnerable animals, SNPLA instituted priorities for care. Our medical care teams prioritized care for animals with emergent medical needs, undervaccinated puppies and kittens and animals who required rabies vaccinations. We also continued spay/neuter of shelter animals to allow them to leave shelter premises for foster and adoption.

During this time, SNPLA's Kitten Lifesaving Program performed diligent outreach to local shelters and foster families to ensure our program was ready to help kittens in need of care during the pandemic. The program extended our rescue to kittens found on the street and those who entered LA County shelters.

LIFESAVING PROGRAMS:

Spay/Neuter

SNPLA performed 17,573 spay/neuter surgeries in 2020 and has completed over 230,000 surgeries since our inception in 2007.

17,573

We serve members of the public and rescue and shelter animals awaiting adoption at three spay/neuter clinics spanning the length of the City of Los Angeles and located in low-income, underserved neighborhoods with high shelter intake.

Free spay/neuter surgeries were provided to those at greatest need by grants from the Petco Foundation, Pedro Pet Pals, Clint Patterson Realty, the Los Angeles Breakfast Club and the State of California through its Pet Lover's License Plate Program.



LIFESAVING PROGRAMS: Wellness Clinics

SNPLA provided affordable access to veterinary care to over 30,000 cats and dogs at our mobile and stationary clinics in 2020. In the early days of Covid-19, SNPLA staff worked tirelessly to institute an efficient scheduling system for our vaccine and microchip services. Despite a rapidly evolving climate, SNPLA's clinics surpassed expectations by administering 52,752 vaccines and inserting 8,587 microchips.

SNPLA's South LA and Mission Hills clinics performed thousands of quality of life services and hundreds lifesaving medical surgeries in 2020. The veterinary care these clinics provide included well puppy/kitten and senior exams, blood testing, dental cleaning, dental surgery, mass/cancer removal, amputation of injured or cancerous limbs, x-ray and treatment of broken bones and many more procedures, treatments and surgeries as needed.



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LIFESAVING PROGRAMS: Mobile Low-Cost Pet Clinic

SNPLA's Mobile Low-Cost Clinic brings preventative medicine including vaccines, dewormer, flea and tick medication and microchips directly into communities at highest need. Our mobile clinics serve as the first ever veterinary visit for many of the pets we see.

These services keep pets happy and healthy in their forever homes, and decrease the likelihood of pets being relinquished to shelters due to their guardian's monetary restrictions.



LIFESAVING PROGRAMS:

Kitten Lifesaving Program

The dedicated staff at SNPLA's Kitten Lifesaving Program work tirelessly every kitten season to make sure nearly 1,000 kittens go from shelter to forever home. Our Kitten Lifesaving Program rescued 882 kittens from shelters and streets in 2020. With generous support by Best Friends Animal Society, we have rescued 4,771 kittens since the launch of the Kitten Lifesaving Program in 2016!

An invaluable component to our success in saving thousands of precious lives is the outpouring of support from Angelenos looking to foster and adopt kittens. Never was this more evident than in 2020 when droves of brand new fosters signed up to spend their days at home tending to delicate orphaned kittens.



882

Saved in
2020

4,771

Saved since
2016

THE EXTRA STEP FOR LA PETS: Partnerships & Advocacy

Partnerships to Save Pets

SNPLA provides spay/neuter and wellness medical care to dozens of rescues and animal shelters in Los Angeles. One rescue described their partnership with SNPLA in 2020 by saying "Having SNPLA available to us is so helpful.. it really does help us to save more cats"!

Advocacy for the Future of LA Animal Welfare

Upon notice that Los Angeles' City Council proposed deep cuts to spay/neuter funding, SNPLA launched a campaign to build awareness and advocacy around spay/neuter funding in LA. We authored a Change.org petition, started a letter writing campaign and a built awareness on social media. Between these channels, over 15,000 Angelenos were activated to advocate for spay/neuter funding.

Our collective advocacy was successful in eliciting a commitment by City Councilmembers to remain vigilant about the needs of the community in pursuit of spay/neuter.



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