

Georgia SPCA Has Best Adoption Year On Record

The sluggish economy has not lessened people's need for four-legged companionship. The Georgia SPCA completed more than 1,100 adoptions of homeless cats and dogs in 2011. This was their best adoption year on record.

With the help of many dedicated donors and volunteers, the Georgia SPCA was able to place more animals than in any previous year, since we opened our doors in the summer of 2007. Most of these animals came from animal control facilities throughout our state. This means most of them were at high risk for euthanasia. It also means that the number of lives saved was more far reaching than the 1,100 adoptions would appear to represent. Most of the animals that enter our facility are unaltered; we vaccinate and spay/neuter all animals that go through our program. We have helped reduce the number of unwanted litters throughout metro Atlanta and Georgia. An unaltered dog, her mate, and offspring can produce 67,000 dogs in a six-year period. The number for cats is even more staggering. In just 7 years, an unaltered cat and her offspring can produce 420,000 cats.

The Georgia SPCA is proud to help reduce the rate of euthanasia that takes place in our state. We have almost doubled the size of our facility in 2011, and with the help of our volunteers and donors, we will be able to make an even bigger impact in 2012.

With roughly 7 puppies or kittens born in the U.S. to every human birth, we realize we will not be able to adopt our way out of the pet overpopulation dilemma, but through education, spay/neutering, and working with other humane organizations, we are hopeful that there is an end in sight to the needless killing of companion animals. In the mean time we would like to invite the public to come on board to help. Our next volunteer orientation is this Sunday, January 8, at 5pm. Anyone interested in helping is welcomed to attend. We are also in need of monetary donations to continue our work in 2012. We are a 501c3, and we operate only on donations and adoption fees. For more information please see our web site at www.georgiaspca.org, or call the center at 678-765-2726.

THANK YOU FOR YOUR ATTENTION

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