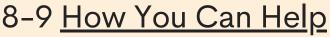
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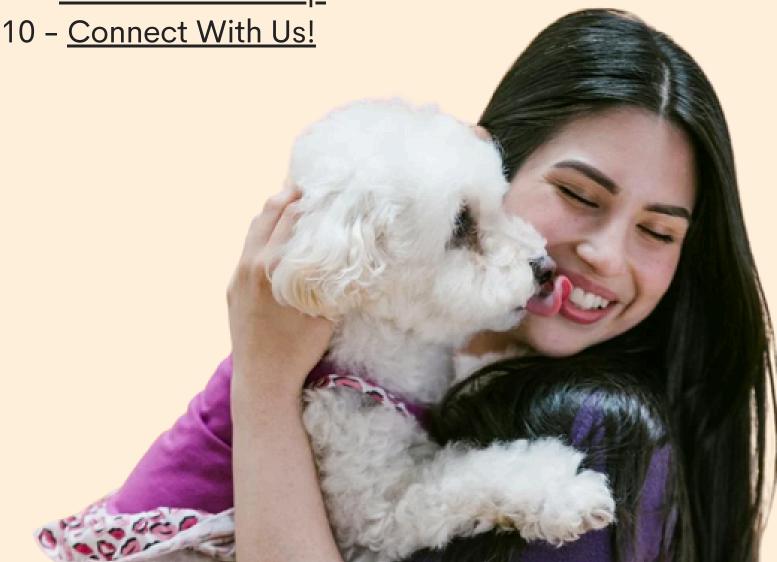
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Our Mission

1 in 3 women are victims of domestic violence. Over half of victims delay or avoid leaving due to actual or potential abuse to their pets. Nationwide, only 17% of DV shelters accept pets.



Protecting Paws for Life is a 501(c)(3) nonprofit organization, operating in the State of Florida, dedicated to supporting domestic violence shelters in becoming or maintaining fear-free pet-friendly environments.

Our mission is to ensure that families in crisis can stay together with their pets; preventing pets from being left behind and facing potential abuse, neglect, or even death, as well as avoiding being turned over to an already overpopulated and overburdened animal shelter system.

A Year In Review



Hurricane Donation Drive

Thanks to your generous donations, we were able to distribute thousands of pounds of food, litter, beds and other needed items to hurricane survivors.

Launch Party!





We loved hosting our launch party at Anecdote Brewing with over 100 of our closest friends and supporters!

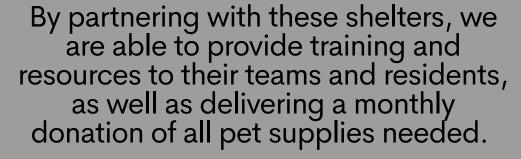
Over the last year, we have been collecting donations throughout the Tampa Bay area through events, private donors and donation collection points through retail & veterinary partners.



Our Partnerships

We have grown into 8 counties!







We are currently working on an emergency foster network & online resource training center.















We have partnered with Harmony Vet Care to help provide low/no cost services to our Tampa Bay partners!

Shelter Support







Our partnerships with domestic violence shelters across the state help us connect with the advocates to help them provide services to survivors with pets. This includes resources such as team training on animal care, pet supplies, behavior training, veterinary services and more.

EDUCATION

Education is a huge part of our mission, and we have been presenting education around Trauma-Informed Behavior in Domestic Pets to several organizations including the Pasco Rescue Partner Meeting this past June.



Partnerships With Animal Services

In its pilot stage, our Project Pup Program is working towards decreasing euthanasia rates at local animal shelters.









Partnering with Pinellas
County Animal Services
and Hernando County
Sheriff's Office - Animal
Services to save more lives
together!



Our Biggest Asks...



We are looking to purchase a

Transportation Van to support our donation deliveries across the state.



Funds to help support veterinary care are always needed and appreciated!

We always appreciate donations of general funds for our operations.

Currently our team is 100% volunteer!



How can you help?



Our partners are always in need of items on our wishlists which can be found here:

Chewy

Walmart

Amazon

Looking to volunteer with us?

Volunteers are needed in areas such as fundraising, marketing, events, donation collection and transportation.

Experienced dog/cat trainer/behavior specialists are always needed (R+ training ONLY).

We are currently looking for volunteers in Pinellas, Pasco, Polk, Hillsborough, Citrus, Marion, Orange and Sarasota counties.

If you are interested in learning more and joining us, please fill out our <u>Volunteer Interest Form</u>.

Other Ways To Help

EVENTS

Interested in hosting us at your next event or know someone who may be? We are currently looking to book fall events!





DONATION SUPPLY PARTNERS

We would love to connect with partners that are willing to put a donation bin in their storefront or those that are able to donate supplies on a regular basis.





Thank you for your continued support! We could not do what we do without our partners' and your support!



Stay updated on what we are up to and how you can help!

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