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St. Croix Animal Friends
Annual Report

2014

St. Croix Animal Friends



St. Croix Animal Friends, Inc. is a Wisconsin non-profit 501 (c) (3) organization incorporated in May 2006. SCAF operates under the bylaws adopted on March 23, 2006 and under the direction of its Board of Directors. This 15-member board meets monthly and actively guides the organization's activities, programs, and fundraising efforts. The Board has had significant success in raising funding for capital purchases, program implementation and maintenance.

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New Growth and Accomplishments

St. Croix Animal Friends has been working hard since the beginning of the year on the research and proposal process for our Capital Campaign initiative, which will help us raise the nearly \$3 million needed to build our "no kill" shelter and education center. The planned facility, a 10,000 sq. ft. main building, will accommodate as many as 60 dogs and 75 cats. To ensure ongoing revenue stability, the site plan also features a separate boarding and pet daycare facility for short-term care for as many as 25 animals. Our shelter will also feature areas for veterinary care, meeting rooms, and retail space.



Krech, O'Brien, Mueller & Associates, Inc. (KOMA) teamed up with Loucks Associates to provide conceptual design services for SCAF. This included renderings of the shelter, a master plan, floor plan and spacial layout.

Laurie Allmann was hired to create our Case Statement which precisely portrays the need for a shelter in the St Croix county area. This beautiful publication details what a significant impact an animal shelter would have on the community. It also showcases how SCAF, with the donations and help of our supporters, will use our experience and knowledge to build and maintain a shelter capable of serving the needs of this community.

In addition to the large sum capital funding efforts, SCAF receives many donations throughout the year from area businesses and individual donors. Most recently, the campaign received a \$5,000 donation from the Lake Elmo Jaycees. We would like to extend a huge THANK YOU to all of the donors who have contributed to our mission thus far. Every little bit is a step closer to the goal.

Programs, Members, and Volunteer Opportunities

Spay/Neuter Program

SCAF created the Spay/Neuter program to offer low-cost spay/neuters for pets whose owners are in genuine financial need. SCAF works with a network of local veterinarians who reduce their prices to make these services affordable. Qualifying pet owners are issued a certificate which is given to participating veterinarians. At the time of the procedure, pet owners pay only \$25 for the procedure and SCAF pays the remaining cost, which includes a rabies vaccination, if needed. An application for this program is available on our website at www.SCAFshelter.org.

Reaching Out Pet Food Program

The Reaching Out program assists low-income families who need help feeding their pets through donated pet food and cat litter. SCAF regularly holds pet food collection drives at area grocery stores in St Croix County. Our Reaching Out Program has really grown since its inception. We started in 2011 by partnering with St. Croix County to help Meals on Wheels recipients who couldn't afford to feed their pets. It didn't take long to discover there were a lot of residents in the county who needed help feeding their furry family members. We now deliver to all St Croix County Food Shelves and many home-bound and low-income households. As of September, more than 16,500 lbs of pet food and 2,500 pounds of cat litter have been distributed to St Croix County families in need.



Scramble was rescued during a fundraiser

Adoption, Foster, and Pet Recovery Programs

SCAF's Foster and Adoption program is still in its infancy and SCAF is actively looking for a chairperson to manage this important program. Managing a program such as this will require a very special person with a lot of time to dedicate toward connecting loving families with pets who are in transition (maybe that's you?!). Many of our volunteers and board members give above and beyond to make sure that these pets receive the care that they need. Over the past 12 months, SCAF has fostered two dogs, four cats, and seven kittens. We have successfully returned three of these pets to their owners and have adopted out four more. Check our website at adopt.SCAFshelter.org for a list of animals currently available for adoption. We have also posted lost, found, and re-home listings for 46 pets on our website and Facebook pages. Thank you to all of our volunteers who help these animals in need!

Emergency Medical Assistance Program

This year, SCAF's Emergency Medical Fund has helped several families pay for unexpected pet medical bills. The story of Marcus, the pitbull, is featured on page 6. Fritz, the cat, got his paw caught in a door; Charlie, the cat, tested positive for feline leukemia; Snowshoe, the cat, got his tail caught in a door; Jack, the dog, had to have his tail amputated; Shamrock, the cat, was diagnosed with Diabetes; and Snoozer, the cat, had a mysterious weight loss. All of these families turned to St. Croix Animal Friends for help, and we were glad we could play a part in helping their beloved pets.

Microchipping Program

SCAF offers microchipping for cats and dogs at a discounted price. The service provides an embedded chip plus registration for the life of your pet in the HomeAgain® database. Microchipping was offered at this year's "Raise the Woof" animal walk in June, where 18 pets were microchipped by Dr. Vicki Datt of Croix Valley Veterinary Hospital and again in September at Chuck and Don's Hudson grand opening, where 20 pets were chipped.

St. Croix Animal Friends Membership

SCAF offers various levels of annual memberships. Adult and higher members are eligible to vote on Bylaw changes and in the election of the Board of Directors. At the end of December 2014, there were 122 St. Croix Animal Friends members.

Volunteer!

We need volunteers to help at events and with administrative work such as newsletters, bookkeeping, marketing, etc. SCAF needs you, no matter what your talent! Everyone who would like to learn more about how to volunteer, go to www.SCAFshelter.org and fill out the Volunteer form.



**Sugar, one of our foster cats,
and her foster mom**

Financial Overview

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St. Croix Animal Friends is a 501(c)(3) non-profit organization. The above Sponsors gave tax deductible donations to help support our animal service programs and to build a Humane Society Adoption and Education Center in St Croix County. If you are interested in becoming a Sponsor, contact us at INFO@SCAFshelter.org.