



Humane Organization for the Prevention of Euthanasia

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H.O.P.E. for Animals Reaches Milestone in Our Community; Thousands of Lives Saved

Fort Wayne, IN (December 5th, 2018) – H.O.P.E. for Animals Nonprofit Low-Cost Spay/Neuter and Wellness Clinic completed their 80,000th spay/neuter surgery this week.

For 8 years, H.O.P.E. for Animals has been providing low-cost spay, neuter, and wellness services to the public as well as 20 animal shelters in Indiana, Michigan and Ohio. The mission of this organization is to ensure that pet owners and shelters have access to low-cost spay and neuter services in order to eliminate the pet overpopulation crisis in our area.

Female cats can easily breed three times a year and have an average of 4 kittens per litter. Dogs can breed twice a year with litters of 6-10 puppies. In just seven years, one unspayed female cat and her offspring can produce 420,000 kittens, and one unspayed female dog and her offspring can produce 97,000 puppies. That is exactly why H.O.P.E. for Animals exists—to prevent this from happening.

“In 2018 alone, H.O.P.E. has provided over 10,000 surgeries to animals in need. Since opening our doors in 2010, we have provided over 80,000 surgeries and our community has seen a tremendous reduction in the number of homeless animals ending up in our local shelters – nearly 40% less animals! It is such a great thing to be a part of,” says Tyna Reiter, Community Outreach Coordinator for H.O.P.E. for Animals. “Most people are aware that our doors are open to all pet owners—anyone can take advantage of the low-cost services we provide. But many people may not know that H.O.P.E. also offers assistance options for those families who might not otherwise be able to afford basic veterinary care for their pets. Spay/neuter and vaccines are so important, and we are grateful that we can be here to help those families in need.” For more information on the services and assistance options H.O.P.E. provides, visit their website at:

www.hope-for-animals.org.

Spaying and neutering is the only humane and effective way to reduce the homeless pet population and to help animals live longer and healthier lives. H.O.P.E. for Animals is currently the only high-volume, high-quality, low-cost spay/neuter option in Northeast Indiana. To learn how you can support our efforts please visit www.hope-for-animals.org or call (260) 420-7729.

About HOPE for Animals:

H.O.P.E. for Animals is a 501c3 nonprofit organization and operates primarily on grants and private donations. Our mission is to eliminate the preventable euthanasia of companion animals and community cats by offering high-quality low-cost spay/neuter and wellness services, by supporting rescue, and promoting responsible pet ownership.

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H.O.P.E. for Animals staff – Dr. Fretz & Dr. Bates, caring for cats after surgery