Case for Support

RESCUE & REHAB CENTER

Sussex County, Delaware
On June 9, 2018, the Brandywine Valley SPCA made the winning bid for a large, unused animal shelter in Georgetown, DE.

Now, the real work begins.

With your help, this facility will soon become the Brandywine Valley SPCA Rescue & Rehab Center, where thousands of dogs and cats who are lost, abandoned, underage and victims of abuse and neglect will receive the care they need to become adoptable.

While the structure itself is sound, the Rescue & Rehab Center suffers from five years of neglect. Damage by vandals, leaking roofs, drainage system issues, non-functioning equipment, weed-choked yards and a host of other repairs must be addressed before the center can be deemed operational.
Once fully operational, the Rescue & Rehab Center will serve many important needs, including:

- Care, nutrition and rehabilitation for animals recovering from abuse and neglect
- Behavioral modification led by a licensed professional in a calm environment
- A nursery for newborn and infant kittens, who require 24-hour care
- Mid-Atlantic rescue hub for dogs and cats from high-kill shelters
- Destination for large evacuations due to natural disasters
- Disease Quarantine Area to treat highly contagious diseases like parvo and ringworm

On average, animals treated at the Rescue & Rehab Center will require 4-6 weeks of care. Once their specific needs are resolved, these dogs and cats will be made available for adoption at one of the Brandywine Valley SPCA’s four campuses.
The 11,500 square foot facility is set on 13 acres on Shingle Point Road and was designed to house roughly 2,000 animals per year—roughly 300 to 400 at a time. Additionally, the building was the first non-profit LEED certified building in Sussex County. It boasts solar hot water heating, geo-thermal HVAC systems, a green roof and many other features.

Each dog kennel provides comfortable indoor and outdoor space, and each wing of the kennels can be sealed to prevent infections. There are several cat rooms designed to allow the cats to roam free inside.
Over the last few years, the Brandywine Valley SPCA has grown at an amazing rate. The BVSPCA has become the largest regional provider of animal welfare services in Delaware and southeastern Pennsylvania. As such, we benefit from economies of scale and the ability to transfer animals for adoption wherever they are needed. The BVSPCA manages a budget of $8 million, employs 94 full-time people and works with 450 volunteers. The services we provide are affordable spay/neuter and veterinarian care; adoption and placement; lost-and-found help, and emergency food supplies at each adoption center. During 2017, 14,662 dogs and cats entered the shelter doors. In Delaware, the BVSPCA maintained a 96% save rate, making the State of Delaware the first “no-kill” state in the United States.

The BVSPCA estimates the new Rescue & Rehab Center will be self-supporting by the end of its first full year of operations. Treating animals at the Rescue & Rehab Center will free up many more kennels at our adoption centers, thereby generating additional income. Income is also anticipated from services provided to other rescue organizations—local, regional and national. The chart to the right shows the estimated annual expenses and income for calendar year 2019.

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WE NEED YOUR HELP

Borrowing $850,000 at current rates would cost the Rescue & Rehab Center $40,000 per year in interest alone, over a 10 year period.

That added expense would cause the Rescue & Rehab Center to operate at a loss, therefore impacting our ability to fully serve all the animals in need.

With your help, we will eliminate this outstanding $850,000 debt. To make changes of this magnitude and save the lives of the most vulnerable animals, we need the support of the entire community.

Thank you for joining us in this meaningful cause. Your donation will mean the world to us and even more to the animals we serve.

Amount Needed: $850,000

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You can help us make the Rescue & Rehab Center promise a reality.

Gifts to the BVSPCA are fully tax-deductible and can be pledged over three years (EIN# 23-1381030). Please ask about the naming opportunities we have available at the Rescue & Rehab Center.
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