

Girl Scout Troop 1098

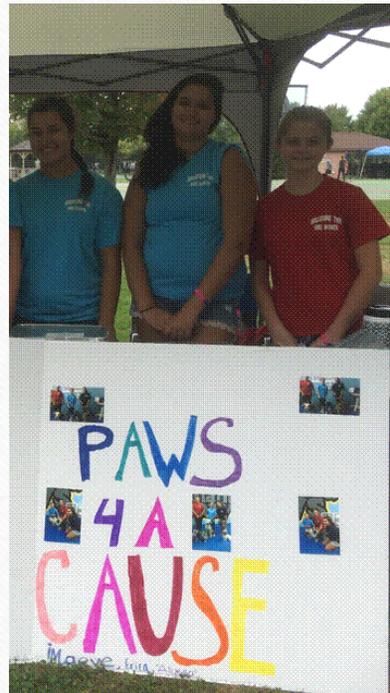
Paws 4 a Cause

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Things You Would Want to Know!

- Approximately **7.6 million** companion animals enter animal shelters nationwide every year.
- Of those, approximately **3.9 million** are dogs and **3.4 million** are cats.
- Each year, approximately **2.7 million animals** are euthanized (**1.2 million dogs** and **1.4 million cats**).



It's a Ruff Life for Some Dogs

- Puppy mills are the main source of animal abuse and animal cruelty
- A puppy mill is a inhumane commercial dog-breeding facility in which they are only concerned purely on a monetary profit from stores.
- **3.5 million** pets enter shelters each year



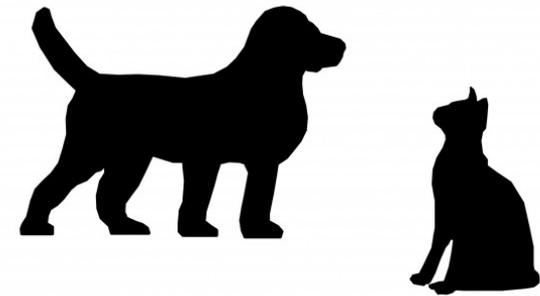
Some Not So Fun Facts About Puppies

- **2.7 million** adoptable pets are euthanized in shelters every year that's one every 11 seconds
- **1 out of 10** dogs born will find a forever home



Not So Fun Facts_(cont.)

- Almost **10,000** dogs and cats are euthanized in shelters **EVERY DAY**
- Only about **20%** of dogs are being adopted which means that there is still a demand for puppy mills
- A way to help is to spread the word and educate friends and family on euthanasia rates in American shelters



Bake Sale to Fundraise for Silver Award Millstone Girl Scouts #1098 Paws for a Cause



Team Effort Planning, Organizing and Conducting multiple fundraising events & donation drives to benefit Paws for a Cause



Troop #1098 Delivers some of the items from donation drives and fundraising!



Dogs and the Law

- Law enforcement officials responding to cases of animal neglect often find various forms of abuse like child neglect and/or elder abuse in the same household. This is particularly true in cases of animal hoarding, where a person takes in far too many animals than can be cared for and becomes virtually blind to their suffering. Cats are the most common animal-hoarding victims.



Dogs and the Law (Continued)

- Although many people do not recognize animal neglect as illegal animal abuse, many states have a provision specifically addressing animal neglect written into their animal cruelty laws.
- In the US, 2014 the FBI added animal abandonment and cruelty as a category to its nationwide crime reporting data system.



Learning, helping & creating solutions at Adopt-A-Pet







How you can help!

- Volunteer and help the adoption process by processing applications, transport dogs, or help with fundraisers and events
- Foster a dog until they are adopted
- Make monetary or pet supply donations to help cover the many expenses
- And easy enough, adopt a dog!



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