



Friends
for
Animals
of Metro Detroit



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Petco Foundation Invests in Lifesaving Work of Friends for Animals of Metro Detroit

Grant of \$13,500 will extend efforts to save more animal lives in Metro Detroit

Dearborn, MI (4.16.20) – Friends for Animals of Metro Detroit (FAMD) announced it has been awarded a \$13,500 grant from the Petco Foundation to provide lifesaving kitten foster kits and supplies for the foster volunteers who will care for over 600 kittens this spring.

The Petco Foundation investment will help to provide supply kits to all kitten foster volunteers. These kits contain necessary items, such as warmers, scales, formula and medications to enable the foster families to monitor the kittens' health right from home. This program has resulted in healthier kittens and more lives saved.

“Friends for Animals of Metro Detroit is honored to be the recipient of a grant from the Petco Foundation. This lifesaving grant will assure that our dedicated kitten foster volunteers are provided the resources they need to care for the 600 plus fragile little lives,” said Elaine Greene, Executive Director of FAMD.

Friends for Animals of Metro Detroit is a nonprofit organization dedicated to the rescue and protection of animals in the community, while inspiring healthy relationships between people and their companion animals. Since 1995, FAMD has been a caregiver and advocate for 59,000+ rescues. FAMD meets its mission objectives by saving all adoptable animals, providing high-quality animal care and adoption services, and delivering innovative outreach programs and activities that promote education. All animals adopted from the adoption center are vaccinated, spayed or neutered, and microchipped. FAMD provides a number of services and programs including: Operation Feed Fido, low-cost spay/neuter and microchip vouchers, educational and volunteer opportunities, reduced adoption fees for active or retired military members and seniors, and Read to Rover (or cats) for young readers. It has a state-of-the-art facility and robust foster volunteer program made up of both veteran volunteers and new monthly volunteers. The FAMD Kitten and Cat Foster program has expanded to over 110 foster parent homes and an overall save rate of 91% in 2019. The program has continued to increase the save rate for kittens and cats and has a positive impact in the community.

For more information about Friends for Animals of Metro Detroit, visit metrodetroitanimals.org. For more on the Petco Foundation, visit petcofoundation.org and join the conversation on [Facebook](#), [Twitter](#) and [Instagram](#) by using the hashtag #PetcoFamily.

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About Friends for Animals of Metro Detroit

After more than 27 years of nurturing more than 59,000 animals, Friends for Animals of Metro Detroit has embarked on the second phase of their “More Love than Humanly Possible” capital campaign to construct Phase Two of their complex, an addition to the MaryAnn Wright Animal Adoption & Education Center. For more information about FAMD, a 501(c)3 organization, visit metrodetroitanimals.org.

About the Petco Foundation

At the Petco Foundation, we believe that every animal deserves to live its best life. Since 1999, we’ve invested more than \$260 million in lifesaving animal welfare work to make that happen. With our more than 4,000 animal welfare partners, we inspire and empower communities to make a difference by investing in adoption and medical care programs, spay and neuter services, pet cancer research, service and therapy animals, and numerous other lifesaving initiatives. Through our Think Adoption First program, we partner with Petco stores and animal welfare organizations across the country to increase pet adoptions. So far, we’ve helped more than 6.5 million pets find their new loving families, and we’re just getting started. Visit petcofoundation.org to learn more about how you can get involved.