

Friends for Animals of Metro Detroit Welcomes Marie Skladd as New Senior Director of Philanthropy and Community Engagement

DEARBORN. May 18, 2020 -- Friends for Animals of Metro Detroit (FAMD) is excited to announce the addition of veteran animal welfare advocate Marie Skladd to their team. She has joined FAMD as the Senior Director of Philanthropy and Community Engagement.

Skladd has been an animal welfare advocate for more than 30 years. She first became involved in animal welfare after hearing a public service announcement for a shelter needing volunteers. From her first day, she was hooked on helping the animals. Skladd was the first to develop an off-site animal adoption program with the Pet Supplies Plus Corporation to assist small rescue organizations by creating the Michigan Animal Adoption Network/Animal Care Network where thousands of animals could find new homes. Michigan Animal Adoption Network/Animal Care Network was created 26 years ago, and Skladd continues to serve as President.

Her previous animal welfare career includes working in the Community Engagement Departments for the Michigan Humane Society and most recently for the Howell Nature Center.

“The Friends are thrilled to welcome Marie Skladd as our Senior Director of Philanthropy and Community Engagement,” says Executive Director Elaine Greene. “Marie has had decades of experience in animal welfare and her energy and passion for this work is infectious. We are excited that she has joined our team, and has brought with her the knowledge and success in helping people and animals she has acquired.”



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Skladd shares her house with three dogs and two cats, who are all seniors. She affectionately refers to her house as the “Old lady gang.”

About FAMD

After 25 years of nurturing more than 59,000 animals, Friends for Animals of Metro Detroit has launched 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.

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