



## Friends for Animals of Metro Detroit Launches "Wrap Your Arms Around Forever" Capital Campaign

FAMD launches final leg of their capital campaign to fund their forever home to move out of Greenfield by 12/31/2023

DEARBORN, Mich. September 12, 2022 – On September 17, Friends for Animals of Metro Detroit (FAMD) will launch the "Wrap Your Arms Around Forever" campaign to complete Phase Two of the shelter's \$5 million capital campaign with an official announcement at their 4<sup>th</sup> Anniversary Open House. The announcement will be made at 1 p.m. during the celebration at the MaryAnn Wright Animal Adoption and Education Center at 16121 Reckinger Road, Dearborn.

Each year, FAMD cares for thousands of homeless and neglected pets in the community. They currently operate two facilities - the intake facility, owned by the City of Dearborn and located at 2661 Greenfield Road, and their state-of-theart adoption and education center, completed in 2018. The Greenfield intake center was built in 1970s and can no longer be counted on to provide proper care and support for our animals and the people who utilize it.

The City of Dearborn has asked FAMD to vacate the Greenfield location by 12/31/2023. Since 2018, FAMD has been actively fundraising for the \$5.2 million to complete Phase 2 and have raised \$2.6 million with \$2.6 million remaining.

To encourage donations, MaryAnn Wright and Bob Sayles, and two anonymous donors will match donations 1:1 up to \$500,000 through the end of this year.

With less than one year remaining on their lease, FAMD is faced with the loss of their Greenfield facility which means they need the community's support to raise the remaining funds for their forever home.

"Our pets truly are the best friends we can have," said Kim Cross, FAMD president and CEO. "They deserve all the love and care we can give them. Part of that is making sure we have the best facility to take care of them while they are waiting to find their forever homes. Our "Wrap Your Arms Around Forever" campaign will help us continue to nurture and care for the animals in our shelter. With the 12/31/2023 deadline, we are counting on the community to support this campaign so we can get everyone under one safe and healthy roof."

## **About FAMD**

After more than 25 years of nurturing more than 52,000 animals, Friends for Animals of Metro Detroit has embarked on the final leg of their capital campaign. Since 1999, FAMD has saved 100% of adoptable and treatable animals. Their vision is to create a community free of homeless and neglected pets.

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