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## FOR IMMEDIATE RELEASE

### JOIN FRIENDS FOR ANIMALS OF METRO DETROIT THIS VALENTINE'S DAY WEEKEND AS THEY HOST THEIR THIRD ANNUAL BENEFIT BRUNCH PRESENTED BY THE ENVELOPE PRINTERY

**DEARBORN January 13, 2025** – Spend your Valentine's weekend with Friends for Animals of Metro Detroit! Friends for Animals will hold their third annual Best Buddies Brunch presented by The Envelope Printery on Saturday, February 15, from 11 a.m. – 2 p.m., featuring host Dan Miller, FOX 2 Director of Sports And voice of the Detroit Lions.

Best Buddies Brunch joins the ranks as a favorite of Friends for Animals' mainstay annual events, this year trading a Valentine's Day theme for the previous years' spring theme.

"This is one of those fun events that truly introduces the community to what Friends for Animals is all about, and the love we all share for helping homeless animals in need. We now look forward to it every year, all to support a worthy cause," said Cory Keller, President and CEO of Friends for Animals.

There will be a single seating offered from 11 a.m. – 2 p.m. at long-time partner Park Place Caterers, located at 23400 Park St. in Dearborn. The organization aims to refresh the theme and yearly timing of this brunch, which it uses to introduce itself to new friends in the community and highlight all of its life-saving work.

Look out for jazz trio, the Dapper Ones; tarot card readings; a tin can raffle; Valentine crafts; adoptable animals; a 50/50 raffle; and more! Help spread the love this Valentine's Day with the gift of a second chance for shelter animals and the support of a local shelter.

Proceeds will go toward Friends for Animals' annual operations fund, providing animals with the best care possible until their time of adoption. The event will also feature a **Hometown Heroes** induction into the Friends' **Hall of Friends**, which honors individuals who continually help to support animal welfare.

Admission for the brunch includes four tiers: \$25 for ages 12 and under, \$55 for adults, \$65 for premium tickets that include bottomless bloody marys and mimosas, presented by Tito's Handmade Vodka. A full cash bar will be available for all other drinks, including wine and beer. A table for eight premium tickets can be reserved for \$600. The "Be My Valentine" couples package is also available for \$250, and includes two premium tickets and the one-month sponsorship of an adoptable cat or dog.

Friends for Animals plans to also reduce adoption fees at the MaryAnn Wright Animals Adoption and Education Center, located at 16121 Reckinger Rd. in Dearborn, by 50% all weekend, from Friday, February 14 - Sunday, February 16, from noon - 4 p.m., for a special "Meet Your Match" Valentine's Day adoption event.

Adopters are invited to come in and fill out a "dating profile," describing their ideal type of companion. Same-day and walk-in adoptions are encouraged. After completing the dating profile, they will then be matched with three dogs or cats by adoption counselors. After being matched, potential adopters can meet with those three animals for a few minutes and then either choose their perfect match and adopt, or go back in line to be matched with three other animals. Brunch attendees who might've met their perfect match of the animals at the event, can also finalize adoptions at the center and take advantage of the special Meet Your Match fees!

Sponsorship opportunities are still available. Contact Nova Zorok at 313-943-2697 ext. 1019 or [nzorok@metroetroitanimals.org](mailto:nzorok@metroetroitanimals.org) for more information.

Donations and reservations can be made online at: <https://www.metroetroitanimals.org/event/best-buddies-brunch-2025/>

Friends for Animals of Metro Detroit is a 501c3 organization and is located at 16121 Reckinger in Dearborn. Friends for Animals is dedicated to the rescue, protection, and adoption of companion animals in need, while inspiring the human-animal bond. Friends for Animals of Metro Detroit was founded in 1993 by inspired volunteers who believed that homeless animals in our region deserve a second chance at life. Building on our strong sense of animal welfare, Friends for Animals has grown in the past 31 years to an organization of great impact in the companion animal welfare community.

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