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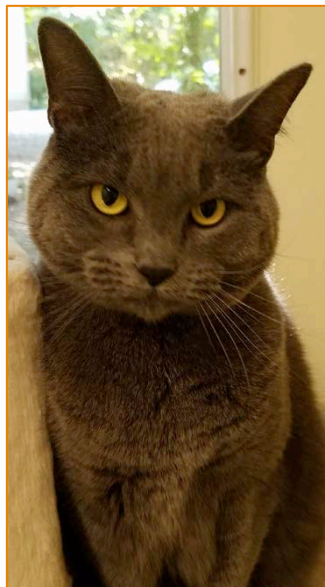


Featured Adoptables

My name is Josie. I am a two year old hound mix who loves everybody and to keep my girlish figure, walks are very important to me! It is a mystery as to why my former family dumped me at a construction site but since arriving at CCA, I am treated like a queen. I do enjoy the company of other canines but most of all, I wish for a loving family to call my own. Please contact CCA if you are interested in making me part of your family.

SHADOW LOVES TO HEAR YOU WHISTLE

Shadow, a Russian Blue cat, is peeking out her window just waiting for someone to provide a loving home for her. It would be a plus if you could whistle as she really enjoys hearing that sound. She is seven years young and can be a little shy at first but warms up quickly. She loves attention and turns her motor on high speed to let you know how good it feels to be petted. Her ideal home would be as an only cat or with one other feline who enjoys a very relaxed lifestyle. Could Shadow be the perfect pet for you?



Upcoming Events:

Oct. 28, 2017

Bark in the Park!



Information on pages 9 & 10

1ST & 3RD weekend of the month Cat adoptions at Petco in Simpsonville on Fairview Rd, 11 - 3 pm

1st Saturday of the month Dog adoptions at Petco in Simpsonville on Fairview Rd, 11 - 3 pm

2nd Thursday of the month Pickens Co chapter of CCA meets at the Central-Clemson library at 7 pm

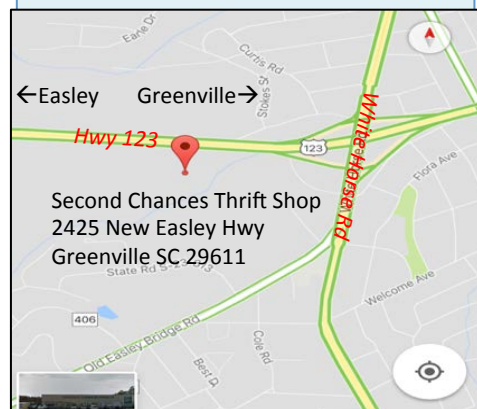
Get Out Greenville, 10 – 3 pm
October 7th, Conestee Park
840 Mauldin Rd, Greenville

CCA's Second Chances Thrift Store Update:

Hurry up and Wait

CCA would like to thank our loyal thrifters for their patience as we transition to our new thrift shop. If the number of phone calls and emails we have received are an indication of how many of you are out there, it would be safe to say hundreds!

We have been working diligently for several months on renovations and Murphy has been with us the whole way. Murphy, as in Muphy's Law, that is! Please believe us when we say if it could go wrong, it has. *Continued on pg 10*



REX, The Wonder Dog

When Kevin Stredney, the manager at *Lowe's Home Improvement* store in Simpsonville, noticed a discarded couch as he driving along a country road, he thought he saw a pair of wild animals using it as their bed. On his return trip home, he noticed the animals still in the same place, so he stopped to check it out. It turned out to be two dogs that appeared dead. Then he noticed one of them breathing! He carefully picked up the dog and transported him back to his home in Hickory Tavern and began caring for this young male Labrador-Pitbull mix.

The other abandoned dog had died so Kevin buried him. The black pooch with a white patch put up a valiant fight and became healthy again due to Kevin's care and kindness. It took a couple of months, but that dog, now named Rex, was once again happy and playful. He followed Kevin all around the farm. Kevin already had a family of terriers he had raised on his farm. Three more pups were dumped along the river near his home. One of them had been hit by a car and taken to an animal hospital. That left two more dogs to be fostered at the Stredney farm.



Earlier in the year, **CCA** had purchased building materials for outdoor dog shelter improvements. Kevin and Sherry who are employed at Lowe's were instrumental in helping CCA with that purchase. They were very aware of CCA's objective of caring for abandoned animals; so Kevin contacted us regarding 'Rex' and also one of the large footed pups now called Ryker. Both dogs arrived at CCA and seemed very glad to have such wonderful care! This lovable "Labra-bull" became a friend to all of the volunteers and showed his affection all the time! Over time we all saw something special in Rex's behavior and alertness, so he was enrolled in a basic obedience class at **Dog Trainers' Workshop** in Fountain Inn, run by Connie Cleveland. During his training, and while showing off as the teacher's pet, one of the trainers suggested we contact Bill Brightman of **Service Dogs for Veterans** (www.SD4V.org) in Greenville. Bill is the founder of this group. They have partnered with DTW and Connie to train and provide dogs as emotional support animals for veterans suffering with PTSD. Bill and Rex were introduced to see if Rex had the necessary traits to become a service dog and fit in with the two other dogs already living with the wounded warrior, Stephen and Ginny. Well, after many checks and tests, it was determined that he was too short, just two inches shy, for the standard size requirement, but his personality and big heart more than made up for his being vertically challenged. He was selected by SD4V anyway.

He has just completed and graduated the first leg of advanced obedience training along with his former Marine partner at Connie Cleveland's. Later he will attend 12 additional weeks to learn more of the *special* skills he'll need to *identify* Stephen's behaviors, and *react* accordingly as his well-trained companion. A world of new opportunities would be opened for Rex and Stephen than they ever had before. Upon completion, Rex will have earned the privilege of wearing the official 'service dog' jacket, allowing him privileged access to all the places his handler and good buddy will now be visiting. **Good boy, Rex. You ARE the wonder dog!**



Scouting a Tzar

We love sharing photos that show our canine friends getting the love and attention they deserve and resting in plush surroundings. Our Scout found both of these a couple of weeks ago when he met Billy Ridgeway.

Billy drove up from Cayce, SC to meet Scout; it was love at first sight! Scout knew he'd found a good thing, and Billy couldn't resist Scout's amazing blue eyes. These photos don't show his beautiful blue eyes, but you just know he's completely relaxed because he's getting his tummy rubbed. As for relaxing in plush surroundings, it looks like that's taken care of. Just in case you still wonder if this little guy will be treated like royalty, I should mention that his new name is **Tzar**.

BEAUTIFUL BLUE EYES

Little Miss Annie found her home within a few days. She didn't even have time to settle in at the shelter. During a vet visit one of the techs fell in love with her. The sweet personality and soulful ice blue eyes were too much to resist! Annie joined the Hopkins family and is living the high life. She has all the love, toys, good food, and companionship that a dog deserves. We all love these happy endings.

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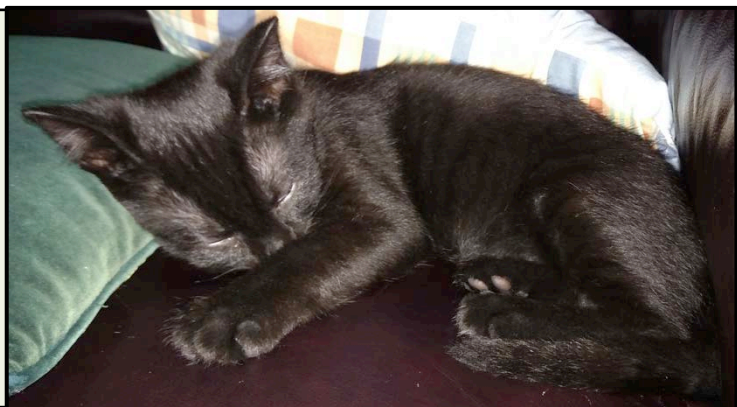
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Hello, my name is Lexie. I'm a love machine.

Lexie, a two year old mixed breed, came to CCA after being abandoned. She and her two pups found temporary shelter with a kind family. They contacted us as they couldn't keep the little canine family. The two pups, Annie and Scout, have found their loving homes. Now, it's mom's turn. Lexie is very loving and would make a loyal companion in a home where she is the center of attention. She is current on shots, spayed and microchipped. All that is needed now is the forever home so she can share all of her love with the entire family.

Buddy Makes Three Little Buddy came as a six week old two pound kitten with an upper respiratory infection. He was SUPPOSED to be a foster child but that changed very quickly! As soon as he was well enough and had his first series of shots, he emerged from his bedroom to join Andy and Inky as part of the Lyerly household. By the way, Inky and Andy are both beautiful black cats too. It was immediately noted that Buddy would rule the roost! As you can see, he claimed the recliner and the pillows for his cat nap. He has made himself right at home.

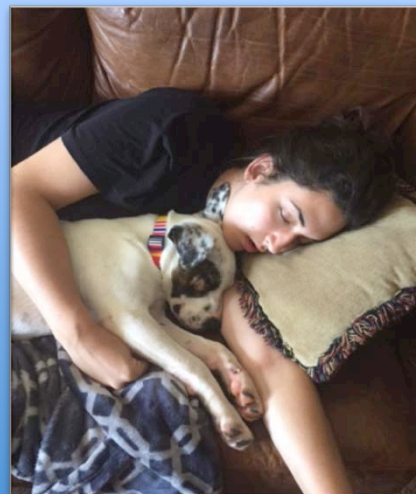


Meet Chuck (yup, Chuck's a chick)

Kady and Adam Cellamare knew even before they met her that Loretta was the pup for them. On May 25th, when the three met, it was love at first sight. Loretta, now known as Chuck, went to her "fur"ever home in Greer a couple of days later.

Chuck has been a pampered pet from Day 1! She even has her very own fenced-in back yard. She does zoomies all day long until she's exhausted.

Now we hear that she's even earned her degree! How amazing is that? Watch this space for more great things about Chuck. She's clearly on a roll. Way to go, Chuck!



Meet Reba, Chuck's sister....

Reba, Loretta, and Olivia came to CCA's shelter late in February. Our caretaker, Lauren, having a sense of humor, called them the Singing Sisters. Sisters Olivia and Loretta (aka Chuck) took their show on the road as solo performers, leaving Reba to get her big break. She got her own show in June when Laura and Dan Rhodes discovered her.

Reba now lives in a beautiful Simpsonville community and enjoys play dates with her puppy neighbors and her own fenced-in backyard.

At the end of a hard day at play, there's that soft spot on the sofa waiting for her. It's a good life for Reba Lou; she doesn't even have to sing for her supper.

OLIVIA, OUR COUNTRY SINGER

Olivia, her two sisters, Loretta and Reba, as well as their mother were living in very poor conditions. After being removed from that situation and once they were old enough to be separated from their mother, they came to the shelter. Miss Olivia and her sisters thrived and provided lots of entertainment for all who came to the shelter. Olivia must have taken a few tips from Leela because she turned on the charm for the Whitaker family. She is now in her forever home with them. She is thankful for her home and for her two sisters finding their special families. She also wanted to let everyone know her mother is much happier in a better environment too.



Memorials and Honorariums

Chuck & Beth McCleskey In memory of Patsy, sweet dog of George and Nell Nannarello.

Tom & Betty Way In loving memory of sweet Zoey who blessed Patrick and Karen Heaps and all of us at Happy Way with unconditional doggie love.

James Miller In loving memory of Tommie Miller.

Chuck & Beth McCleskey In memory of Carly, beloved dog of Michael and Kim Young

Dr. Jackson & Pamela McCarter In memory of John Barker.

Sandy Cogen In memory of Morgan, the sweet 24 year old (Yes 24) kitty belonging to Joanne Anderson.

Lynn Luszc In memory of Cotton, a 3 year old golden retriever who is greatly missed.

Tom & Betty Way In loving memory of a precious blind Benji, Samson, who was a sad stray Robyn picked up in a ditch on her way to Happy Way; but we all showered him with love for several amazing years. It's heartbreaking how he became a stray; but thank God for Robyn's huge heart.

Glen & Joan Thomas In memory of John Barker.

Elizabeth Fleming In memory of Louise, Anne Mowbray's cat.

Sandra Cogen For Lynn Mollohan to welcome "Sadie" into her life.

Dave & Alice Geisler In memory of our Christi, our beloved rescue kitten who crossed the Rainbow Bridge after sharing 14 years with us in our loving forever home.

Carolyn Groves In memory of John Barker.

Jane Anders In memory of our cat, Butterscotch, who went from being a feral cat to our cat.

JoAnn Brink In memory of Terry & Judy Brink's beautiful Maine Coon Cat, Merlin

Joella Helmers In memory of John Barker.

Harriett Vinson In memory of my daughter Mary-Martha Gibson Wilkins and her dog, Inga.

Sarah Wills In honor of Jen's birthday.

Dave & Alice Geisler In memory of Percy, beloved cat of Karen and John Johnson, who crossed Rainbow Bridge peacefully but far ahead of his time.

Tom & Betty Way In loving memory of dear macho lab, Chief, who charmed Helen and Cecil Eller and all of Happy Way.

Dave & Alice Geisler In memory of Dianne Hinson's beloved cat, Rascal, who crossed the Rainbow Bridge peacefully after 16 years in his loving forever home.

Sandra Cogen For the Kornbluth family in the loss of their beloved "Major."

Elizabeth Fleming In memory of James and Freda Alverson's dog, Gypsy.

Dave & Alice Geisler In memory of Dianne Hinson's beloved cat, Jazz, who crossed the Rainbow Bridge peacefully after 14 years in his loving forever home.

Hope Tedards In memory of John Barker.

Tommy & Teresa Jones In memory of Barry Jones.

Barry & Betty Harms In memory of Vivian Atkinson.

Harriett Vinson In memory of Andrew and Dana Gibson Bennett's beloved dog, Martin Gibson.

Rose Mary Allen In honor of Mom & Dad Way by Annie Fanny Allen.

Georgia Greaves In honor of Mrs. Betty Way.

James & Freda Alverson In loving memory of our dog, Gypsy, who joyfully escorted our farm tractor everywhere it went.

Sandy Cogen In memory of Nanook, Kellie Lockwood's 17 year old sweet dog.

Jane Wilson In memory of John Barker.

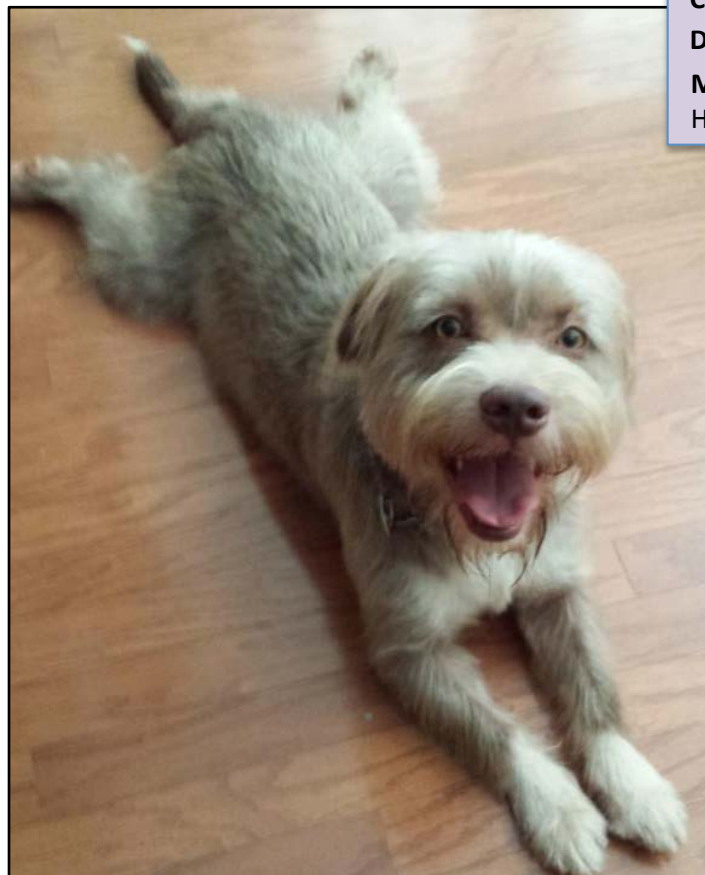
Victor & Janice Jennings In memory of John Barker.

Janet Kawa In Big's memory to help cats in Pickens County.

Tom & Betty Way In loving memory of charming corgi, Tucker, who stole the heart of his awesome Dad, Kevin Kirkland, as well as ours at Happy Way during his extended visits by having an engineering parent with lots of travel.

Memorials and Honorariums continued from page 5

Sandia Rosche In memory of Audi, special dog of Marvin Joe Merck.
Sandra Adcox In honor of Ms. Kim's Birthday.
Gene & Bobbie Erickson In memory of John Barker.
Cherry Bekaert LLP Greenville In memory of John Barker.
Drake & Betty Doty In memory of John Barker.
Marcy & Kevin A huge THANK YOU to Priscilla and Don for loving Happy Ringo and giving him a wonderful home.



FUJI, Our Gentleman In Residence

Don't let the size of this little guy fool you; his personality is as gigantic as Mt. Fuji in Japan. He has quite a few stories he could tell! For example, he'd tell you about taking a wrong turn on the way to the CCA shelter then playing hide and seek with CCA volunteers for 11 days and nights before getting tired of the game and coming to the shelter.

Fuji is about 2 years old. When meeting new people, he plays the part of the reserved gentleman. Once he has given his stamp of approval making sure they are fun loving, he'll show his smile, relax, and behave like a teenager.

This little guy is easy to please. He's content to sprawl on a nice cool floor with a squeaky toy to amuse himself. Or, if given a chance to tear around a playground with like-minded puppies and small dogs, he's up for that, too.

Talk to a CCA volunteer about Fuji. Better yet, come and talk to him yourself.

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Shelter Wish list:

canned dog & cat food, peanut butter, toilet paper, paper towels, bleach, Pine Sol, dog & cat treats, trash bags

CAR TEMPERATURE PET SAFETY CHART

How long does it take
for a car to get HOT?

VEHICLE TEMPERATURE		
Outside Temp (F)	Inside Temp (F)	
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75°	94°	109°
80°	99°	114°
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90°	109°	124°
95°	114°	129°



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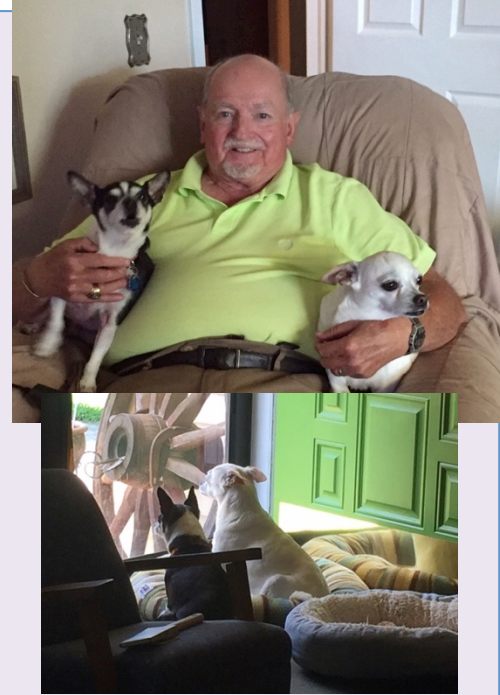
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Ringo is Happy!

Imagine just wanting to go for a walk after work, before another storm hits when you notice what you think is a cat hunkered down ahead on the path. As you get closer, you realize it's a small dog, shivering, wet and scared. What to do but pick it up, turn around, go home and call your significant other, a volunteer with CCA and ask, "what do I do with it?" After posting numbers and checking the dog for a microchip in an attempt to find his family with no luck, he was dubbed Ringo. Ringo was in poor health with severe skin issues due to fleas and poor nutrition but once bathed, medicated and ears cleaned, he looked 100% better. While nursing Ringo back to health, his foster parents fell in love with him. What a wonderful boy! Ringo's personality emerged as a mixture of adaptability, silliness, being a cuddle bug, a sound sleeper, and full of spunk, especially after bath time. In fact, he was just about perfect! Given there were already four larger dogs in the house, Ringo needed a home where he wasn't constantly dodging people and dogs running over him. As much as the foster parents wanted to fail at fostering this little guy, their home was not the perfect home for him. Priscilla and Don were looking for a companion for their dog, a Chihuahua named Buddy, and they could provide that perfect home. After the application process was completed, it came time for Priscilla and Don to take Ringo to his new home and the foster mom cried. Aaarrggghhhhh! Ringo's new family has been wonderful to send updates to the foster parents. They are so happy that Ringo is now Happy Ringo. Thank you to Priscilla and Don for giving Happy Ringo the perfect home with love.



THANK YOU MICHELIN

The wonderful volunteers from Michelin have been coming to the shelter every August for quite a few years now. They performed tasks that spruced up the shelter and the surrounding grounds. The building was power washed, the stockade fence for the yard at the caretaker's residence was completed, branches were trimmed, play yards were raked, the storage room and kitchen area received a thorough cleaning, and the animals had extra attention that day. CCA is lucky to have such a dedicated group of people to come every August. Thank you for all your hard work. We look forward to seeing you again next year!

Save the Date:

34TH ANNUAL BARK IN THE PARK



Date:

October 28, 2017

Where:

Conestee Park

840 Mauldin Road, Mauldin, SC

Events & Times:

8:45am - Registration

9:30am - 5K Run/Walk

11am-3pm - Bark in the Park

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5K RUN/WALK

Saturday, October 28, 2017 @ **9:30 a.m.**

Conestee Park

840 Mauldin Road, Greenville, SC 29607

Registration begins at 8:45 a.m.

T-Shirt with \$25 entry fee

Visit CCAweb.org/bitp
For walker's
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\$500 cash prize for most money raised
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**"The question is
not, Can they reason?
nor, Can they talk?
but, Can they suffer?"**

Jeremy Bentham

Thrift Store update, *continued*

If you need convincing, one example that should leave no doubt in your mind would be when the power company was contacted to disconnect the old meter. Although the power company had installed a new meter a couple of weeks earlier, it was the new meter that was disconnected and actually removed from the site. No kidding! Funny though, I'm not sure at what point it happened but when something else would go wrong, someone would say "you're kidding" and laughter would follow!

Well, we think we have about worn Murphy out and are closing in on actually completing the renovations. Inspections will follow soon after. Please keep an eye on the website for the announcement of the Grand Opening. So, as the old saying goes, hurry up and wait, we think the wait will be worth it!

THE SOCIAL BUTTERFLY

Leela was out on the streets fending for herself. She had lots of energy and loved being around people and other dogs. She was CCA's social butterfly. This smart little lady knew how to turn on the charm when the Brennan family came to visit her. She sat like a lady and gave soft kisses to the two girls, walked gently beside the girls as they strolled around the grounds. The deal was sealed and as you can see, Leela found her home with the Brennan's. Her good manners paid off royally.



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Memorial or Honorarium Text

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We've missed you!

It's been a long time since we've heard from many of our Paw Prints recipients. In an effort to best leverage our resources as well as declutter the mailboxes of recipients who no longer wish to receive our newsletter, we are asking those who do not want to remain on our mailing list to let us know. Please complete the form below and mail it in the envelope provided.

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Founded in 1980, Concerned Citizens for Animals is celebrating 36 years of improving the lives of homeless animals in the Upstate. Through our shelter operation, and a variety of community service programs, CCA offers a second chance to neglected, stray and abandoned animals.

As the oldest no-kill shelter in the Upstate, CCA provides treatment, sterilization, care, and a safe haven for its residents until loving homes are found. Prospective homes are screened, references are checked and home visits made to ensure the animals are placed with responsible, caring individuals and families.

CCA's Feral Cat Program employs the TNR (trap, neuter, and return) process to assist feral cat colony caretakers in maintaining the health of the colony and curbing the colony's growth. Our Low Cost Spay/Neuter Program is effective in alleviating animal suffering by reducing the number of unwanted canine and feline births in the Upstate.

The combined efforts of an involved management team, a dedicated caretaker and an active volunteer force create a powerful influence in the lives of the animals in our care and those in the community we serve.

Mission Statement

CCA shall not destroy any animal unless it is beyond medical care, and suffering would be the permanent result of medical treatment.

CCA shall operate an animal shelter for abandoned, sick, injured, or otherwise homeless animals.

CCA shall maintain an adoption program to permanently place homeless animals in qualified homes.

CCA shall maintain a low-cost spay/neuter program for the community.

CCA shall strive to prevent or stop any abuse, neglect, or otherwise inhumane treatment of any animal.

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