



Paws and Claws Society, Inc.

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PARTNERS IN PREVENTION NOT DESTRUCTION

2024 Annual Report

FIX and FEED “CAT COLONY FOOD PANTRY”

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The Fix and Feed “Cat Colony Food Pantry” was designed to help struggling community members feed their cats and dogs. Caretakers of feral cat colonies that were already fixed through our SAFER “Cats on the Border” program are eligible to take advantage of this FREE pet food program. Many colony caretakers struggle to afford necessities for themselves, yet their compassion and sense of duty motivate them to care for the cats they encounter. Without this offering, many dedicated feral cat colony caretakers would use their own personal funds to provide food for these cats that have been abandoned by society.

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PACS provided 15,360 lbs of dry pet food at a cost of \$ 22,282

SAFER (STRAY AND FERAL EMINENT RESCUE)

Stray and Feral Eminent Rescue Program is a PAWS AND CLAWS SOCIETY initiative developed and implemented under the auspices of the STAATS FOUNDATION in accord with their plan to establish no-kill communities. Our “Stray and Feral Cat Assistance” program certainly **epitomizes our philosophy of prevention, not destruction**. The SAFER network of local rescue groups and individuals is committed to improving the quality of life for homeless and unwanted felines by providing and finding homes, assisting and educating the community, and controlling overpopulation. The SAFER network advocates compassion towards felines, community support and the belief that felines are life-long companions.

PACS partnered with local individuals and organizations to spay/neuter 100 felines

BURLINGTON REPORT & EDUCATIONAL PROGRAM

Paws and Claws Society was pleased to unveil its first issue of its newsletter, Burlington Report in April of 2011. The fictional character of Burlington the Cat was born, and he began to share his life story and experiences with us. Each issue builds on the original story of Burlington and the family that adopted him. For the last 12 years, readers have not only been entertained, but have learned many things as they followed Burlington through his life journey. PACS Burlington Report offering is both educational and entertaining.

Burlington Report can be found and read by visiting Paws and Claws Society website www.pacsnj.org

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GIVE A LITTLE BOWL OF LOVE

2024 unfolded as another year of great economic uncertainty for many animal caretakers and their beloved pets. Paws and Claws Society continued our commitment to helping caretakers feed their pets. The need was urgent and PACS again met that need. Since 2008, PACS commitment to this life saving endeavor insured that struggling pet caretakers received the support they and their animals deserve. Every year PACS expended thousands of dollars to purchase the food needed to "Give a Little Bowl of Love". This year, PACS was able to reallocate some of those funds to address other priority needs facing animals and the people who care about them. This was made possible because of the following partnership of caring.

Many thanks to the Greater Good Charities' GOODS PROGRAM and their Ambassador at the Bridge Clinic for including Paws and Claws Society as a recipient partner in this wonderful opportunity.

And most of all, we are thankful to our volunteers Deb and Craig and their team because they care so much about their neighbors and their cats and dogs that they are willing to donate their time and labor to "Give a Little Bowl of Love". We are truly blessed.

Please note: Greater Good Charities' GOODS PROGRAM facilitates the sourcing and management of excess, re-branded, and short-dated food and supplies from various donors, including manufacturers, distributors, and retailers. These products are then made available to qualified and approved distribution groups (Ambassadors), who ensure they reach the organizations in need (Recipients).

Paws and Claws Society provided more than 11,000 lbs of wet pet food assistance in 2024 at very low handling fees thanks to Greater Good Charities' GOODS PROGRAM, the Bridge Clinic, Paws and Claws Society and our dedicated volunteers Deb and Craig.

HOPE TO HOME RESCUE SUPPORT

A life saving partnership with several of our Circle of Compassion partners to rescue animals that many shelters would consider 'unadoptable' was implemented by Paws and Claws in 2021. That means any animal that can't go immediately up for adoption. Often they are sick or injured. Some are underage, unfriendly, or unthrifty. They need 24 hour care, sometimes emergency surgery, a lot of TLC, and a safe place to heal. Every animal in our program has their own individual needs and we strive to address those needs. We are able to take on the hard special needs cases thanks to our wonderful rescue volunteers. Many grateful furry angels were saved from certain death because we provided extensive medical care that included major surgeries...And because someone dared and cared to believe that they could be saved and adopted!!

Paws & Claws Society provided more than \$ 13,806 in medical assistance in 2024

CATS ON THE BORDER PROGRAM CONTINUES

We can't stop!! We can't say no!! S.A.F.E.R. Cats on the Border Project continues to quietly change the lives of cats and kittens in our target area in a very positive way, while stopping the production of future litters. The project has, to date, prevented the births of tens of thousands of kittens who would have had no future except a life of pain and suffering. We look forward to continuing to improve lives and prevent untold suffering well into the future through our "Circle of Compassion" partnerships.

Paws & Claws Society volunteers TNR'd 240 stray/feral cats on the border in 2024

Paws and Claws Society is a 501(c)(3) Federal and New Jersey registered charity operated entirely by volunteers. All contributions are tax deductible to the full extent of the law.

Paws and Claws Society Delivers



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Presents



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Paws and Claws Society provides **Free Pet Food** to eligible
SAFER “Cats on the Border” colony caretakers in PA & NY

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Your TNR representative will contact you regarding this **Free Pet Food** offering.

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