

Shelter Scenes

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News for the friends and
supporters of **spca cincinnati**

How You Helped Cincinnati Stray Earn Coveted Courage Award

Ed, a 2-year-old Boxer mix, came to **spca cincinnati** on January 4. Some say looks can be deceiving, but not in Ed's case. As supporters of **spca cincinnati**, you are rightfully shocked that a dog as emaciated as Ed could be found on the streets of Cincinnati in 2017.

Animal care has come far in the last four decades, but unfortunately, cases like Ed's still exist.

In addition to his emaciated body, Ed was suffering from an abscessed wound on his face. Nails were missing from his left front paw, and the marks on Ed's body indicated he must have been chained and become tangled. Your gifts allowed our highly trained medical staff to act immediately. Thanks to you, Dr. Goforth, Dr. Eilers, Technicians Kim and Trey, and Kennel Workers Corrine, Jessica, DeShawnta, Brian and Greg all took part in Ed's care and recovery.

Ed is just one of the hundreds of animals in need of our assistance, and because of compassionate people like you,



our staff is currently treating dozens of other dogs and cats at **spca cincinnati**. You are the reason Ed survived and was chosen to be the recipient of the 2017 Noble Animal Courage Award.

Visit our website at spcacincinnati.org for a video featuring this incredible story of Ed.



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spca cincinnati is a nonprofit 501(c)3 organization. The organization is a humane society that continually strives to strengthen the human-animal bond and improve the welfare of animals by fostering the humane care and treatment of all animals. Through humane education and animal protection, we improve the quality of life in our community.

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CEO Message



At the 15th annual SPCA Fur Ball Gala, we had the pleasure of featuring Ed, a boxer, who came to us in early January 2017. Ed was severely malnourished, had an abscessed facial wound and cuts/scrapes on his legs. Four months later, Ed was healthy and happy, as well as ready for a new home. Every year we assist hundreds of dogs and cats to relieve their suffering.

The commitment you have made by contributing to care for these homeless pets has given them a second chance and an opportunity to live a healthy life. We face many challenges to heal animals who are in pain or diseased. Our dedicated staff works hard to meet these challenges and your help remains essential.

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We also assist animals with behavioral problems resulting from substandard care from previous owners. Many of you have fostered and adopted these pets that years ago may not have found homes. We stretch out resources every day, working to end pet homelessness. We welcome animals without questioning age, behavior or medical condition. The assistance you provide is integral to our animals well-being. As I have mentioned in the past, new facilities would provide the functional space needed to do more. With your kind help, the future will be brighter for animals in need. Please visit our website for news and ways to help. Thank you for all you do!



Harold “Harry” Dates
President and CEO

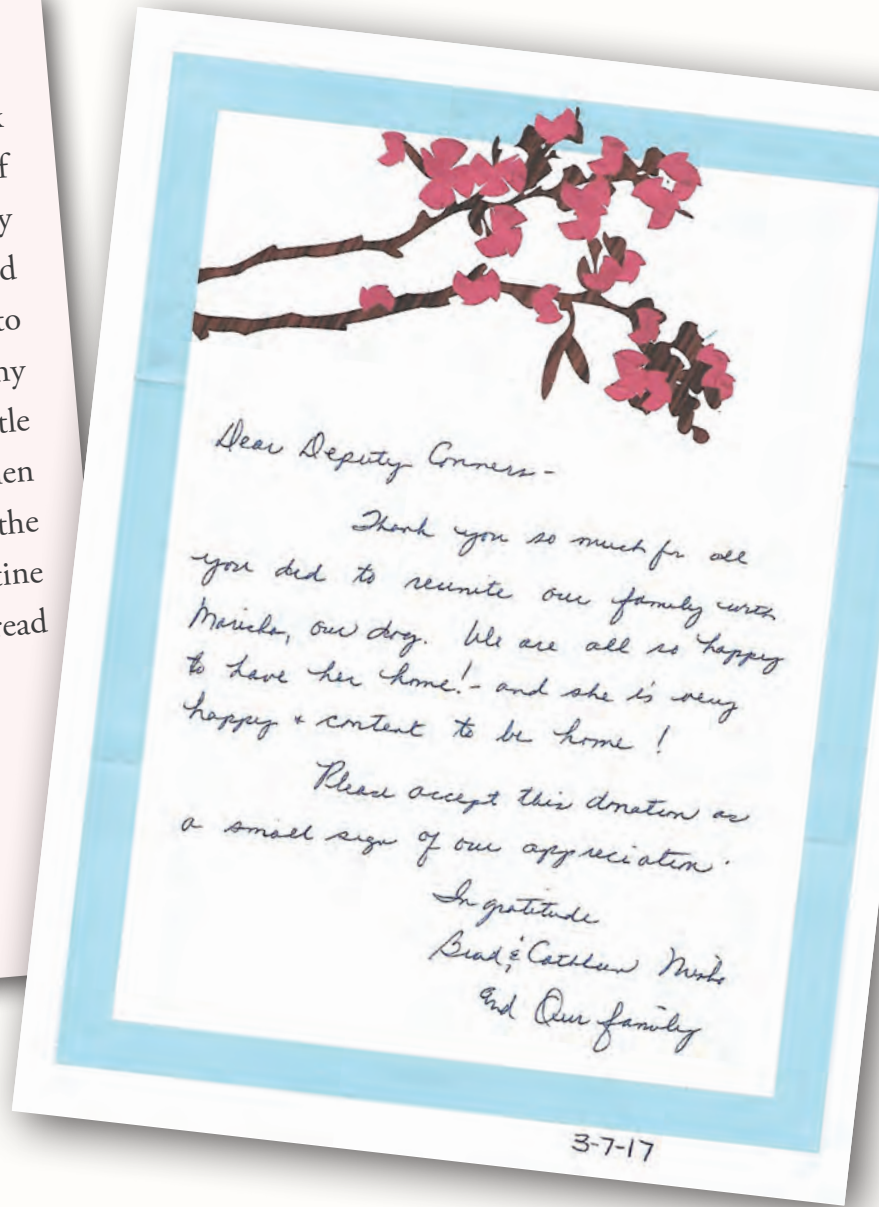
Words of Gratitude . . .

Thank YOU for sharing your stories with us!

Dear **spca cincinnati**,

I am contacting you to update you on Rex (Marlon). I just want to let you know how good of a dog he really is. He has gotten along amazingly with his new little brother Cooper, a two-year-old pitbull/Visla mix. He loves hiking and going to the dog park, even though he can be a little shy at first. He's a wonderful dog who loves the little things in life. For example, in the morning when he and Cooper are outside, they lay and watch the sun come up together. It's their morning routine now. I hope those who took care of Rex can read this and see that he has a happy life now.

Sincerely,
Dakota and Alexis



CityBeat Cincinnati 2017 Best Pet Adoption, Best Shelter, and Best Rescue



The votes are in, and **spca cincinnati** is proud to be named Best Pet Adoption, Best Shelter, and Best Rescue in the 21st Annual Reader's Choice Poll sponsored by *CityBeat Cincinnati* Magazine. Thank you to all of those who made this possible!

THANK YOU!

spca cincinnati Fosters Success with Your Help!

Our Dog Foster Program is a very special opportunity for our donors to help **spca cincinnati**. It is one of the most promising programs that helps to ensure that all treatable animals are given the best attention and care they deserve. We furnish supplies including food, carriers, medical supplies, and Fosters are responsible for traveling to and from the shelters for medical care and foster care appointments.

Fostering may last anywhere from two weeks to several months depending on the pet's needs. Every pet that's fostered has a better chance at a happier and healthier life ahead and makes for a more adoptable pet.

spca cincinnati frequently receives animals that are injured, very old but healthy, or too young for adoption. Because some may have to remain in our shelters longer than others, foster volunteers from the Greater Cincinnati community are invaluable by caring for these animals in their homes in order to raise or rehabilitate the animals until they are ready to be spayed/neutered and adopted.

At the heart of our mission to save the lives of animals is a very important group of people. Foster Caregivers.

We provide not only education and training, but also innovation in funding, and we build relationships with young people, families and children in our community.

This partnership engages the foster caregivers to work closely with our organization.



Foster Care Program for Dogs

