

## More Information

For more information on the Placer SPCA's Surviving Pets Program or if you have further questions about planned giving, please contact the Development & Marketing Director at (916) 872-6162 or email [funddevelopment@placerspca.org](mailto:funddevelopment@placerspca.org).

The Development & Marketing Director can provide a list of financial and legal advisors familiar with the Placer SPCA's programs, set you up with a tour of the Placer SPCA's shelter, answer questions about becoming a Paw Club or Circle of Hope member, and explain how to take advantage of the Surviving Pets Program.



## Estate Planning for Pets

The Placer SPCA offers a **free workshop** to teach you about how you can provide for your furry family members. Ensure life-time care for your pets through estate planning!

Visit <https://placerspca.org/support/giving/workshop> for information on an upcoming workshop. **Reservations are required.**

*The Placer SPCA reserves the right to refuse a trust in the event terms cannot be met. Please contact us before adding the Placer SPCA as a legal guardian for your pet(s) in your will or trust.*

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The complex block features the Placer SPCA logo at the top, which consists of the word "PLACER" in a small serif font above a horizontal line, and "SPCA" in a larger serif font below it. To the right of the text is a white icon of a hand holding a heart. Below the logo is a photograph of a black and tan dog, a brown rabbit, and a black cat. At the bottom of the block is a dark grey banner with the text "SURVIVING PET PROGRAM" in white, and below that is the URL <https://placerspca.org/support/giving/> in white.

# Surviving Pets Program

This program is **free for all Placer SPCA Paw Club donors and Circle of Hope members**. Under this program, the Placer SPCA works to find the best possible home for your companion animals, (up to 2 pets) provided they pass health and behavior assessments. It is important you **call the Placer SPCA before enrolling** to ensure this program is right for you and your pet(s).

## How to Sign Up

1. Call the Director of Development & Marketing at the Placer SPCA at **(916) 872-6162** to make sure this program is right for you and to re-request a Registration Form.
2. Seek legal advice in drafting your will. Be sure to give the Placer SPCA legal custody of your companion animals. The Placer SPCA can also be designated as a **contingent caregiver** in the event the primary caregivers to whom you've bestowed custody predecease your companion animals. **Provide a copy** of the section of your will pertaining to your pets to the PSPCA.
3. Complete a Registration Form for **each pet**. Give a copy of your Registration Form to your attorney, the executor of your will or your trustee and the Placer SPCA (or other designated caregiver). We will request you **update your Registration Form annually** to make sure we have the latest information.

4. If you have not already done so, please consider **adding the Placer SPCA as a beneficiary** in your will or trust, in addition to designating it legal guardian/caregiver for your pets. Making a bequest to the Placer SPCA helps **ensure the future of the Surviving Pets Program** and other programs dedicated to improving the lives of companion animals in Placer County.

*For information on Circle of Hope Legacy Society or Paw Club, please contact the Director of Development & Marketing at the Placer SPCA at **(916) 872-6162**.*

## Ensure Lifetime Care for Your Pets

One of the best ways to provide for your pets is through a trust. Within a trust, you assign a beneficiary and choose a trustee to make distributions from the trust to the beneficiary to **cover the expenses of caring for your pet(s)**. The Placer SPCA's Surviving Pets Program **allows you to control what will happen to your pet(s)**.

In the event a pet is deemed "unadoptable" at the Placer SPCA, you can designate in your trust an **alternative placement** or instruct your trustee to find a new placement. In addition, the Surviving Pets Program allows you to pass a portion of the beneficiary status and caregiver requirements to the new owners, so **you can feel confident** that your animals will continue to be cared for in the manner you envisioned.

With Surviving Pets Program, you designate the Placer SPCA as a beneficiary in your trust or will, and it will care for the animal(s) according to instructions as agreed upon and as written within the trust or will until a new home for the animal has been found. Instructions may stipulate specific medical care, medications, food, grooming costs, etc.

*Contact the **Director of Development & Marketing** at **(916) 872-6162** or e-mail [funddevelopment@placerspca.org](mailto:funddevelopment@placerspca.org) to find out if one of these programs is right for you and your pet(s). **You must have a consultation and complete a registration form to be eligible for this program.***

