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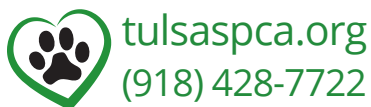


Summer 2019

The Tulsa Society for the Prevention of Cruelty to Animals Newsletter

We speak for those who cannot speak for themselves.

The Tulsa SPCA's mission is to improve the lives of dogs and cats and their human companions.



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Finding A Happy Place



Not only was Coco a beautiful cat with piercing green eyes, she knew what she wanted. She quickly grew a reputation as the diva. If she didn't agree with what you were doing, she made it known by hitting you pretty quickly with a cat paw. This made finding her a home even more difficult. We were beginning to think Coco would never leave. Then Gavin came into the picture.

Gavin wasn't exactly sure what he wanted when he walked into the Tulsa

SPCA. His interest was strictly cats though. The Tulsa SPCA staff introduced Coco to Gavin and told him she was referred to as the "Queen Bee." Gavin was smitten right away.

When Gavin said he wanted to adopt Coco, many shelter employees warned him of her behavior, but Gavin persisted. He knew that he was Coco's person. After the adoption, we checked up with Gavin and Coco. He said that Coco meets him at the door when he gets home, follows him around the house, sits on the couch with him, and even starts purring when he pets her. Gavin is so happy that he found Coco, and Coco is in her happy place with him.

Love at First Site... On Facebook



It was just a normal day on Facebook when Tammy Jones first spotted Brody. Just days before, she had family visiting who had brought their two male dogs.

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Every life saved at the Tulsa SPCA begins with you!

We are so fortunate to have supporters who believe so deeply in our work and participate in very impactful ways — like donating monthly or making a planned gift.



Monthly Donations

Recurring donations allow us to plan and avoid service delays so our work continues, giving more a second chance. The ongoing support of monthly donors helps to ensure Tulsa SPCA has the resources to save more lives and impact our community effectively. With a simple monthly donation to the Tulsa SPCA, you provide a stable foundation for overall service costs. This steadfast community of donors, through their commitment to animals, provide vital resources for the Tulsa SPCA's quality shelter care, low-cost veterinary care, and other lifesaving programs.

By becoming a monthly online donor:

- You provide steady and consistent funding the Tulsa SPCA can rely on to fund local services.
- You ensure we provide quality care to each and every animal we serve.
- You will never have to write another check, find a stamp, or snail mail another donation again!

Our monthly donation program makes it easier for you to support the Tulsa SPCA mission of improving the lives of dogs and cats and their human companions. To begin donating monthly by credit card, simply fill out the enclosed remittance envelope and check the **"MONTHLY"** box. Or, visit online at www.tulsaspc.org/donate, select your fund, and select **"MONTHLY"** — it is that easy! Your recurring online donation is secure and flexible. You choose the amount you wish to give each month and you can change or cancel your pledge at any time.



Leave a Legacy with Planned Giving

Remembering the Tulsa SPCA in your will or trust is an incredible way to ensure our organization continues to serve animals in need long into the future. Many of our services and programs benefit from the foresight of individuals who included the Tulsa SPCA in their estate planning. A bequest may take several forms, including wills, trusts, charitable gift annuities, life insurance policies, real estate, personal property, or retirement benefits. When you take the time to review your capacity of giving and plan a long-term gift to the Tulsa SPCA, you're ensuring our ability to continue serving our community and saving lives, not just today, but for generations ahead.

To make a bequest, please meet with your attorney to discuss your estate planning. If you are not sure where to start with your estate planning, we can help! The Tulsa SPCA can assist donors in understanding the process of making a legacy gift with a free and confidential conversation with a local attorney. If you have already made plans to include the Tulsa SPCA in your planned giving, please indicate on the enclosed remittance envelope by checking the "I have included the Tulsa SPCA in my estate planning" box. It is important to use our legal name and Tax ID to ensure that the Tulsa SPCA receives your gift or bequest.

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Since their departure, her current dog, Annabelle, was very depressed. Annabelle would hardly eat and she would just lay around the house. Annabelle missed the companionship of the other dogs. Tammy knew she needed to do something.

Laying eyes on Brody's picture on Facebook was like a dream come true. Not only did Brody look like the other dogs that were visiting, he was also Dog of the Week at the Tulsa SPCA. His pictures running through the field looked like professional shots and brought out all of his personality.

Since arriving at the shelter, Brody had become depressed and very anxious. So anxious in fact, he began doing back flips in his kennel. Brody had a history of not being able to get along with other dogs, and his anxiety only made him less of

a candidate for adoption. We were feeling hopeless of ever finding a forever home for Brody.

That was until Tammy reached out and asked if he was still available. We explained his issues and she was still interested in him. We tested him with several of our dogs in a safe environment and eventually had Annabelle and Brody meet for the first time. Annabelle was visibly excited! We were all anxious and we worried she might be too excited for Brody. She wasn't. Brody opened up and was immediately happy to have this new friend. Annabelle and Brody are now living side by side in a home where they are loved and cherished. Sometimes when hope starts to fade, fate and Facebook step in to save the day!



outreach program and bring our animals to retirement homes. I was honored to be Volunteer of the Month in January, as well. I'm always trying to do something new to learn what all the Tulsa SPCA does for the community.

Q: What do you like most about volunteering with the Tulsa SPCA?

A: I like helping people find the information they need to adopt a pet. I also like to help pre-screen clients for adoptions so everything can go more smoothly. This also helps animals get adopted quicker. I also enjoy seeing people's faces light up when I assist with bringing pets to different places such as the retirement homes.

Q: Do you have any special memories with any of the animals?

A: I love both cats and dogs. However, my favorite thing to do is working in the cat room. I love to go in there and give the cats lots of love. I don't have any animals of my own right now, so it's nice to be surrounded by animals. One of my favorite memories just happened the other day. Someone brought a box of puppies that he found on the road. It was 5:00 p.m., and other shelters had turned him away. We were able to take the puppies in and help. Even just the simple day-to-day reactions are special to me.

Q: Why would you encourage others to get involved with Tulsa SPCA?

A: First, there's always a need for volunteers. We can never have too many people to help. Second, you get to help people and animals. It gives you this special feeling that you are doing something worthwhile for the community and the animals. Also, it sets a good example for the next generation to set time aside to help people and animals.

Petra Allen has had a love for animals since childhood. Originally from Germany, she didn't have many opportunities to volunteer. Her move to the United States helped fulfill that need. Petra spends countless hours helping Tulsa SPCA clients, staff members and all of the organization's furry friends. Her compassion for animals and people is what helps her go beyond expectations as a volunteer. Without people like Petra serving in many different ways, the Tulsa SPCA would not be able to carry out its mission to improve the lives of cats and dogs and their human companions.

Q: How long have you been volunteering at the Tulsa SPCA?

A: I've been volunteering since July 2018. Since then, I've been able to help and be part of the Halloween and Christmas parade. I've been able to join our community

The Future is Now

New clinic set to open in June



On July 16, 2018, the Tulsa SPCA Board President, Executive Director and staff along with representatives from TriArch and Builder's Unlimited Inc. took part in a public groundbreaking ceremony for the new 7,000 square foot clinic, which is set to open in a few weeks.

Last year, the Tulsa SPCA offered 1,440 spay/neuter surgeries via its clinic. This year, we will serve over 4,000 animals and have set our goal at nearly 7,000 for 2020 all thanks to the new clinic set to open in June. The new 7,000-square-foot clinic opens in just a few short weeks making history as the organization embarks on its first major facility renovation in several decades. Nearly three times the size of the current clinic, the Tulsa SPCA will be able to expand its services to both shelter animals and the public, as well as those in care of other shelters and rescues.

"We couldn't be more excited about this new updated clinic and what it means for the animals, people and community we serve," said Mindy Tiner, executive director of the Tulsa SPCA.

"We have made monumental strides in the number of animals served over the last three years, but this new clinic will help increase our impact even more. I'm extremely grateful to our generous donors, board of directors, staff, architects, and builders for making this dream a reality, and I can't wait to share this modern clinic with the public."

The new clinic will feature:

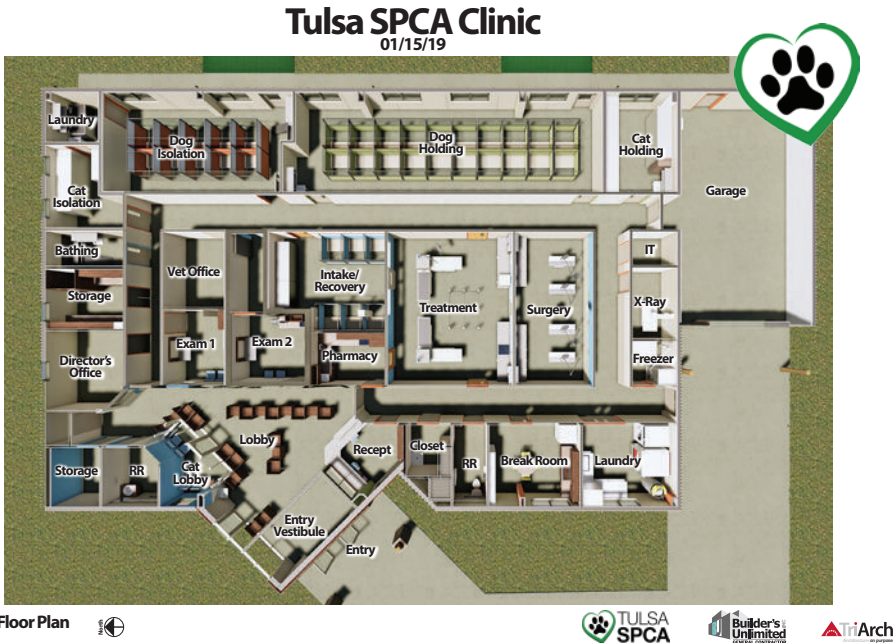
- 7,000+ square-foot facility
- Two exam rooms
- Four-table surgical suite
- Treatment room
- Entry vestibule connected to grand lobby
- Dedicated dog and cat intake rooms
- Dedicated dog and cat isolation units
- Director's office
- Laundry room
- Bathing center
- X-ray room
- Modern façade visible from the highway and welcoming to Tulsa SPCA visitors

The new clinic, as well as the recently remodeled cat colony area, is part of the Tulsa SPCA's comprehensive plan to better serve the Tulsa community. When complete, the cost of these two projects will be over \$2 million.

"This is an extremely exciting time to be part of the Tulsa SPCA," said Tiner. "Not only are we making unprecedented changes within our own walls, but the entire animal welfare community in Tulsa is coming together like never before. There is momentum right now and we want to contribute. We look forward to continuing to work with our animal agency partners while simultaneously expanding our own services to make Tulsa one of the best places for dogs and cats to live."

If you would like to contribute to this historic project, please visit tulaspca.org/donate and select "Building Fund" in the drop-down menu to make a contribution today. To receive the latest updates surrounding the grand opening festivities, follow us on social media or visit our website for the latest information.

NOTE: Construction has been delayed due to 56 weather days and counting. Please check our website at tulaspca.org for updates on the clinic's completion.



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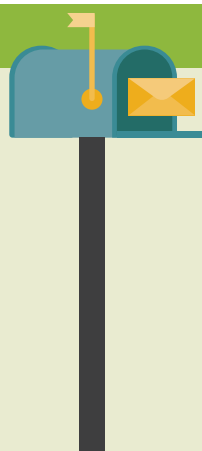


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The Tulsa SPCA
P.O. Box 581898
Tulsa, OK 74158

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2910 Mohawk Boulevard
Tulsa, OK 74110

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