

# Shelterscenes

STORIES OF LIVES SAVED THROUGH YOUR HEARTFELT SUPPORT

## Muddy, Hurting, and Heartbroken

#### Here's how you took Camille's pain away

amille was living in the worst conditions imaginable. This sweet, timid senior was found, shaking, in a mud pit with several other dogs.

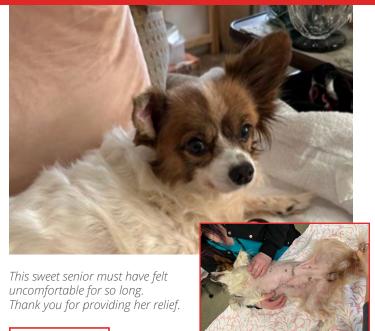
Poor Camille must have been in so much pain leading up to her rescue. Upon arrival to the **SPCA Cincinnati**, our medical team found a host of health issues that threatened her quality of life. Her skin was infected from the fleas and mites that coated her fur. She was also suffering from severe tooth decay, multiple mammary tumors, and a hernia.

But the generosity of friends like you fueled her transformation — and saved her life. Keep reading to see how your kindness gave Camille the second chance she desperately needed.

It was clear Camille would require a lot of love and gentle care to relieve her pain.

We got to work right away, quickly carrying out the several procedures that would put Camille on the path to recovery. When all was said and done, our medical team cleared the infection from her ears, extracted eight of her teeth, spayed her, repaired her hernia, AND performed a mastectomy. Whew! What a long road Camille faced!

Despite all she's been through, she's still shown nothing but love and affection.





Camille had to fight for a better life. You stood by her side through it all!

## SCAN HERE TO LEARN MORE ABOUT CAMILLE'S JOURNEY

Fast forward to today. In the warmth of her new forever home, Camille is comforted to know she has friends like you who helped give her a second chance at life. Her pet parent, Carol, couldn't help but fall in love with Camille's kindhearted spirit.

"Camille is so well-behaved," says Carol. "She's learning so quickly at home, and truly is a good dog. Everyone I know has encouraged me to get a rescue dog. They were right! She is my joy."

Camille might not have survived without your support. But your donations made her incredible comeback possible. Thank you! 💥



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#### With You by Our Side, Our Mission Is Possible!

Dear Animal Friends,

The **SPCA Cincinnati** has provided more than a century and a half of dedicated service to Greater Cincinnati through its lifesaving mission. But our work wouldn't be possible without the generosity of friends like you, who see and believe in a future that embodies humane treatment of all animals.

In fact, your caring contributions fuel just about everything we do here at the **SPCA Cincinnati**.

We remain a leader in animal welfare, serving as a resource and ally to local rescues and nationwide humane societies. We value innovative and educational strategies that enrich shelter life, strengthen the human-animal bond, prevent overpopulation, and so much more. Above all, we dream of creating a better society and world for families and their four-legged companions.

I know you do, too.

The **SPCA Cincinnati** also remains committed to offering vital programs and services that improve the world around us, promoting a community built on kindness and respect for all living beings. It is this mindset that has allowed us to make influential changes and progress in our society for more than 150 years. Together, we succeed!

Thank you for helping us commit to our lifesaving mission. Thank you for giving a voice to the voiceless. And, most importantly, thank you for being a caring friend to the **SPCA Cincinnati**!



Warm regards,

Mike Retzlaff President & CEO





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DOG WALK & COSTUME CONTEST

# You Filled Their Bowls and Preserved Their Families

Ve firmly believe that NO pet owner should be forced to surrender their best furry friend because of financial or health-related hardship. However, this is a sad reality for many families with no other choice.

Thankfully, there is another option families can turn to ... and it's called the Chow Now Pantry!

The Chow Now Pantry is more than a pet food outreach program at the **SPCA Cincinnati**. It's a lifeline for pet parents who face the impossible decision of feeding their beloved animal companions or going hungry themselves.

In the first two months of 2024 alone, we've already distributed more than 14,655 lbs. of pet food through 26 drop-off events! And, by the tailend of 2023, the **SPCA Cincinnati** rounded out 12 Chow Now Pantry distribution locations with its very first dedicated center in Lockland, Ohio, in conjunction with our friends at Pets In Need of Greater Cincinnati.

Our pantry program remains a valuable resource, speaking to the tremendous, ongoing need in our community.

And we would be remiss not to mention the impactful role our volunteers play in meeting the demand of this initiative. It's their commitment and passion to effect change with immediate results that lend to the success of this important program.

But your support is the very reason a child doesn't have to say goodbye to their best friend, or why a senior can continue to enjoy the loyal company of their companion. You're expanding our outreach and uplifting communities, one bowl at a time. Thank you for everything you do to help keep people and pets together.





Thank you for helping vital programs like the Chow Now Pantry thrive!



If you would like to make your own contribution to the Chow Now Pantry, you can drop off dry or canned pet food any day of the week to the **SPCA Cincinnati** at the following location:

11900 Conrey Road Cincinnati, OH 45249

Or, donate online at **www.spcacincinnati.org/donate-now** and select the Chow Now Pantry as the initiative you'd like to focus your donation on. Thank you!

# You Made Their Wait Worthwhile!





Blue and Rocket were constantly overlooked. You supported these underdogs until they found their forever family!

magine walking into the **SPCA Cincinnati** and there, among the eager faces, you spot a pair of eyes. They've seen so many people and animals come and go. They still hold onto hope that someone will choose them soon, but they've waited so long for their turn. All they want is to be seen, chosen, and loved.

Long timers like Blue and Rocket know this story all too well.

Blue and Rocket are both American Bulldog mixes who, through no fault of their own, waited close to a year to find their forever families.

We'll never know why they were overlooked for so long, but friends like you helped ensure we could provide them hours of enrichment in the meantime — and keep their spirits high as they prepared for their eventual adoptions.

We're happy to share that, after 210 days, Blue finally found the perfect fit. To say that his new family is overjoyed is an understatement. "He picked us to be his forever family, and we sure do love our Blue," said his new mom, Montana. "He's now living his best life, and we're blessed!"

At one point, Rocket was considered the longest resident at our shelter. Even though more than 300 days passed without promise, his patience proved rewarding! One day, the right family came along and noticed sweet Rocket's warm and playful personality. They couldn't help but fall in love!

When you give, you help ensure long timers like Blue and Rocket have a fair chance at love. And though the wait was long, you made it all worth it. Thank you for making their stories possible!

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