



How Many Lives Can Be Saved?

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Dear Friends of Animals,

One evening, a little girl spotted two stray dogs nestling behind the bushes of the home next door where an elderly couple lived. The girl snuck food to them and was able to get close to one dog; the other remained too skittish to approach.

While the girl was only 11 years old, she intuitively knew that life on the street was tough. She asked to keep the dogs, but the response was “no” from her single mom struggling to make ends meet for her and her two children. Before long, the local “dog catcher” arrived, loaded the dogs into their van, and drove away. The girl could only imagine the fate of those two dogs. After all, the local shelter was always at capacity, making their chances for survival uncertain.



Today, local shelters and animal control agencies are working hard to adopt out every healthy or treatable dog and cat. Unfortunately, there are still thousands of unwanted cats and dogs losing their lives due to shelter overpopulation. Like that little girl, many kind-hearted animal lovers help animals in need. Many Hoosiers are working toward a day when no animal will be euthanized in a shelter because of a lack of space or resources. And, we know that the most effective way of reducing shelter overpopulation and saving animal lives is spay-neuter!

That little girl who wanted to help those two stray dogs was me. When I was 11 years old, I felt helpless to do anything for those dogs. But, that memory is what empowers me today to do everything I can to ensure that no animal is euthanized simply because it is unwanted. That experience motivates me to work hard on behalf of all dogs and cats to ensure that everyone is able to afford

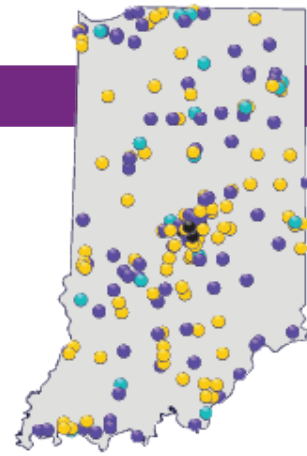
More than **90,000** spay-neuter surgeries to date



Assisted 182 Indiana animal welfare groups

spaying and neutering to avoid unwanted animals, whether they are on the streets or in shelters. I started in 2005 as a volunteer for Spay-Neuter Services of Indiana (SNSI). Today, as board president, I love knowing that through my volunteer work, I'm connecting with animal welfare groups, shared-mission vets, municipal shelters and Hoosiers who are trying to save animal lives through spay-neuter!

SNSI helps Hoosiers get them fixed, whether they are stray animals or those who have found forever homes. By working together, we are truly on the road to success. This road has been paved by a number of other states and cities that have made low-cost spay/neuter accessible to those who wish to help animals. In shelters that have benefited from this strategic approach, no healthy or treatable animals are ever euthanized.




-  Pet Friendly Group Grant
-  Community Cat Program
-  Partnering Vets
-  Pulliam Trust-Funded Efforts

How can you help?

Your financial donations to Spay-Neuter Services of Indiana make a direct impact on the health and wellness of thousands of animals. As we wind down 2015, please consider a tax-deductible contribution to SNSI today! Let's save more animal lives in 2016 and work together to help Indiana get them fixed.

Sincerely,



Cheri Storms
President
Spay-Neuter Services of Indiana

My Pet is Home Alone!

In the event of an emergency, please contact the person listed on the reverse side of this card. They will care for my pet.



Please accept this small gift as a thank you for your support of SNSI.

Fill it out and put it in your wallet to alert others that you have pets at home that need to be cared for in the event of an emergency.