

# Eastern Madera County SPCA Strategic Plan July 1, 2023-December 31, 2023

# Introduction:

The Eastern Madera County SPCA (EMCSPCA) was established in 1990 and is dedicated to ensuring the humane treatment of animals in eastern Madera County. The EMCSPCA is a local, independent, non-profit 501c3 organization (Tax ID#77-0259186) and is supported through private donations.

The EMCSPCA Animal Care and Adoption Center in Ahwahnee was built without any federal, state, or county funding. The state-of-the-art facility provides a unique, healthy environment for dogs and cats awaiting their forever homes. At the heart of everything we do is the welfare of the animals in our care, and providing them with the compassion and protection they require when they come to us, from the time they enter our care until they go to their forever homes.

We would like to take this opportunity to thank those who have been part of our mission over the years. It is with the support of our many donors and volunteers that we can do what we do, and your support is invaluable. The outlook for the EMCSPCA heading into the future is bright, thanks to your support.

Our sincerest gratitude,

Sharon Fitzgerald, President
Linda Chappell, Vice President
Nancy Swanson, Secretary
Lyle Swanson, Treasurer
Jeannette Hanneman, Board Member
Don Cohn, Board Member

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### **Our Mission:**

To provide dogs and cats in our care, with the services they need to increase their adoptability and to provide a safe and loving environment until they find their forever home.

In doing so, we wish to educate the general public to have a responsible and positive attitude toward animals and their welfare.

The EMCSPCA searches for permanent, quality homes for our dogs and cats, and seeks to match the right pet with the right family.

We actively support, encourage, and promote spaying and neutering of all cats and dogs. We pride ourselves on our no-kill policy, which means that the animals in our care stay with us for as long as it takes to find their forever home.

Underpinning our work is the concept of the Five Animal Freedoms. These internationally adopted standards of the care of companion animals are at the heart of all of our activities, and help us to promote the physical and mental health of our dogs and cats.

Freedom from hunger or thirst.
Freedom from discomfort.
Freedom from pain, injury, or disease.
Freedom from fear and distress.
Freedom to express normal behavior.

# **Our Goals:**

We will provide a sanctuary for surrendered animals until they go to their new home. While they are at the Center, they will receive medical care including vaccinations, spay and neuter surgeries and any additional protection against common diseases.

We are committed to improving the general public's attitude toward animal welfare in eastern Madera County through education programs at local schools, sessions at the Center, and speaking at local meetings and events.

We will continue to provide monthly low-cost microchip clinics in order to help promote responsible tracing of animals and to enable more stray pets to be reunited with their owners.

We will continue to provide an up-to-date social media presence using our Facebook page and our website <a href="www.emcspca.org">www.emcspca.org</a>, to provide information regarding animals that are available for adoption, fundraising and special events.

We will create a year-end fundraiser/mailer with a goal of raising \$50,000.

We will increase paid staff in the areas of kennel technician, building maintenance, and reception.

We will work toward staffing our clinic to care for the animals at the Center and to provide low-cost spay-neuter services to the community.

# **Financial Responsibility:**

We will continue to operate the Eastern Madera County SPCA Thrift Shop which is generously supported by community donations. The thrift shop provides a major source of income for our programs. The EMCSPCA relies on the generosity of the community for donations that help us continue our work. Key to the success of the thrift shop is the staff of hard-working volunteers who donate countless hours. We will continue to ensure that our planning and financial control, management, and budgeting are of the utmost standard to ensure our funds are put to the most effective use, and long term sustainability of the organization.

We will continue to provide several different avenues through which donors can support the EMCSPCA.

- \*Donations made through our website www.emcspca.org
- \*Dog banks placed in local businesses
- \*Operation of the EMCSPCA Thrift Shop
- \*Annual raffle or fundraiser
- \*Volunteer post-adoption donations