



## Noah's Ark in the Community

Preventing cruelty to animals, pet overpopulation, and abandonment of homeless pets are fundamental objectives for Noah's Ark. In order to accomplish its mission, the organization serves as a community partner by offering outreach programs to individuals as well as to school and community groups. The programs are designed to empower people to make a difference for animals. They are:

### Humane Education Program

The Humane Education Program is available to schools and community groups in the greater Morris, Sussex and Warren County areas. The presentation introduces the concepts of animal care, responsible pet ownership, and humane treatment of animals. This versatile program is offered either onsite or offsite. The onsite opportunities include shelter tours and mentoring for students working on special projects related to animal welfare. The offsite workshops feature Humane Educator Peg Cannata and her Cocker Spaniel partner, Canine Educator Charlie. Together, Peg and Charlie demonstrate responsible pet care and the importance of the human-animal bond. For details and more information about designing a program for your group, please visit: <http://www.noahsarknj.org/HumaneEducation.asp>

### Spay/Neuter Hotline

Every year the birth of litters of unwanted kittens and puppies results in pet overpopulation and the unnecessary euthanization of millions of adoptable animals in shelters. The Spay/Neuter Hotline provides callers with discounts and referrals for sterilization services by local veterinarians. The hotline also offers information and referrals for low-cost vaccinations. For contact information and links please visit: <http://www.noahsarknj.org/spayneuter.asp>

### Counseling & Referral Services

Behavioral problems can be extremely challenging for pet owners. For example, if a pet's regular routine is disrupted due to a new baby in the household or as a result of an owner whose new job requires travel, the pet's usual good conduct may change as a result. Sadly, many pets are surrendered each year by owners who are unaware that there are resources to help them cope with such issues. The staff at Noah's Ark offers counseling and support along with referrals to professional behavioral services. Visit the following links for more information: <http://www.noahsarknj.org/ServicesofNoah.asp> and <http://www.noahsarknj.org/surrender.asp>

### Canister Program

Volunteers place and monitor collection canisters in over 300 area businesses. The public can contribute any amount, no matter how small, if they so choose. The canisters serve to promote awareness of adoptable animals and to convey the need for continued public support.

### Financial Aid Information

Noah's Ark provides links to resources that can help people keep their furry family members at home during financially challenging times. For further information please visit: <http://www.noahsarknj.org/PetLoverLinks.asp>; or <http://www.noahsarknj.org/surrender.asp>