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EAST BAY SPCA JOINS GREATER GOOD CHARITIES TO SUPPORT OVERWHELMED SHELTERS IN GREATER LA AREA AND MAKES CRITICAL SPACE FOR LOST AND INJURED PETS IMPACTED BY WILDFIRES

Emergency Flight Transports Shelter Pets from San Diego to Bay Area and Pacific Northwest to Find New Homes

[January 2025, Oakland, CA] In response to the Greater Los Angeles Wildfires, [Greater Good Charities](#), a global nonprofit, will transport more than 50* adoptable pets from San Diego Humane Society and other shelters to find new homes in the Pacific Northwest and support overwhelmed shelters in the Greater Los Angeles area. **East Bay SPCA** will receive approximately 12 shelter pets from the flight. This emergency flight is part of the global nonprofit's efforts to support communities devastated by the wildfires. **Final numbers at the airport*

"Within hours of the outbreak of the fires, Greater Good Charities was already mobilizing our response," said Liz Baker, CEO of Greater Good Charities. "This emergency flight is an important part of our larger response to provide critically needed aid to those affected: from displaced families and unhoused populations to injured animals, overwhelmed pet shelters, and damaged ecosystems."

The shelter pets flown on this emergency flight were in the care of the shelters in Southern California prior to the outbreak of the fires. This flight allows San Diego Humane Society to continue to take in pets from overwhelmed shelters in the Greater LA area so they can make critical space for lost and injured pets and give impacted families time to be reunited with their beloved pet(s).

"We are incredibly grateful that we're able to partner with Bay Area organizations to help our neighbors in need in Southern California," says Allison Lindquist, President of East Bay SPCA. "We'll continue to stay in touch with our partners and be available to assist as needed."

FLIGHT PLAN

On Friday, January 17 at 8:30 a.m./PT, the staff and volunteers from Greater Good Charities and San Diego Humane will load the shelter pets into the plane at Gillespie Field in El Cajon, Calif. The plane will take off at 9:30 a.m./PT and make two stops, the first in Hayward, Calif., arriving late morning (11:00 a.m./PT), and Portland, Ore, arriving in the afternoon (2:30 p.m./PT).

Hayward Executive Airport (HWD)
FBO - APP Jet Center
21889 Skywest Dr,
Hayward CA 94541

Upon arrival in Oregon and Northern California, the shelter pets will be quickly transported from the airport to the receiving shelters. While at the receiving shelters, all the pets will be evaluated and receive any follow-up medical care needed before being put up for adoption.

The participating sending shelters include San Diego Humane Society. The receiving shelters include Oregon Humane Society, East Bay SPCA, Marin Humane and Humane Society of Sonoma County and Pets in Need.

Greater Good Charities responsibly transports shelter pets to areas where there is a need for adoptable pets and never displaces local shelter pets in the area. All shelter pets transported via Greater Good Charities will be done so in compliance with the USDA interstate regulations.

To learn more about how to support Greater Good Charities disaster response for communities impacted by the wildfires in the Greater Los Angeles area, please visit greatergood.org.

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ABOUT GREATER GOOD CHARITIES

Greater Good Charities is a 501(c)(3) global nonprofit organization that works to help people, pets, and the planet by mobilizing in response to need and amplifying the good. Greater Good Charities, with a Four-Star rating on *Charity Navigator* and a Platinum Seal on *GuideStar*, has invested more than \$750 million in impact, including cash grants, in-kind supplies, and programmatic support to charitable partners in 121 countries since 2007. To learn more about how Greater Good Charities is amplifying the good across the globe, please visit greatergood.org or follow [Facebook](#), [Instagram](#), [X](#), [YouTube](#), and [TikTok](#).

About East Bay SPCA

Established in 1874, East Bay Society for the Prevention of Cruelty to Animals (East Bay SPCA) is proud to celebrate its 150th anniversary as one of the nation's oldest shelters and a leading innovator in the Bay Area region. East Bay SPCA is More Than a Shelter, transforming the lives of cats and dogs by enriching the human-animal bond through accessible and respected expertise. Serving Alameda and Contra Costa counties and beyond, East Bay SPCA is a local

501(c)(3) non-profit organization, operating independently of any national affiliation. Learn more at eastbayspca.org.

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