

## Northern Neck Partners for Pets

(NNPP) is a 501 (c) 3 Tax Exempt Non-Profit Animal Charity Serving Lancaster, Northumberland, Richmond and Westmoreland Counties

## Our Mission Statement

The Mission of the Northern Neck Partners for Pets:

- Provide humane care, treatment, and a no-kill shelter for animals needing protection
- Seek suitable homes for animals without owners
- Prevent cruelty to animals
- Influence public opinion with respect to the care, treatment and welfare of animals
- Educate the public in all animal welfare areas
- Promote spay/neuter programs as a method of animal control

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## County Animal Shelters

Lancaster	804-462-7175
Northumberland	804-580-6156
Richmond	804-333-5637
Westmoreland	804-493-0869

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NorthernNeckPartnersForPets.org

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# NNPP Newsletter

RESCUE

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EDUCATE

# THANK YOU

## FOR HELPING US BUILD THE DREAM

Please Help Us Keep the Dream Alive.

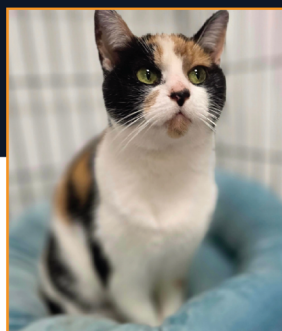


Your generosity created a safe haven for homeless pets.  
Your support keeps our work moving forward.



### SAFE HAVEN

We provide safe housing and daily care for homeless dogs and cats



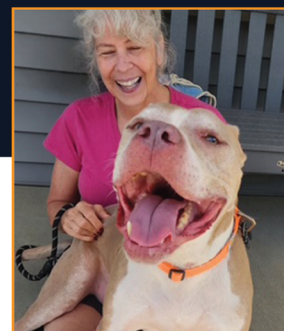
### HEALTHY PETS

With AWL's partnership, we provide medical and spay/neuter care



### ADOPTION SERVICES

We find loving adoptive homes and coordinate transfers to rescue partners



## Your Support Helps Us Save More Lives

Your gift provides safety, care, and hope for every animal who comes through our doors.

### WAYS TO DONATE

#### BY MAIL

Send Checks to:  
P.O. Box 361  
Irvington, VA 22480

Your gift is tax deductible. Tax ID 46-4025767



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#### ONLINE

Visit our Website:  
[www.northernneckpartnersforpets.org/GIVE](http://www.northernneckpartnersforpets.org/GIVE)

#### IN PERSON

Visit Us:  
790 Devils Bottom  
Lancaster VA 22503  
804-436-7396

# Our First Six Months Have Been Extraordinary

We opened our doors on June 1, and your support has helped us meet every challenge.

It has been a busy 6 months! We opened our doors to accept animals on June 1st and we have not come up for air since. And it is a truly wonderful feeling to be of service to these lovely animals. Between the owner/surrenders, which have been coming in at an unexpected pace, and the transfers from the 4 local counties, we have been operating at full capacity since our first month of operation. We have been vaccinating and spaying and neutering as fast as we can to keep up with the incredible demand. But this is our mission

and this is our cause and this is our promise. We will keep you informed with future communications. **Thank you** to all in the community who are supporting our efforts. We could not do it without you!

76 cats and dogs have come through the shelter since opening. These have come from owner/surrenders and transfers from other county shelters.

We have had 41 local adoptions. We are grateful to the wonderful members of our community who have

come and visited and taken home some lovely dogs and cats.

Twenty one animals have been spayed/neutered. This includes the cats who are living in our on-property feral cat colony.

We have transferred 17 dogs and cats to other rescue groups. We are grateful for our network of rescue groups who help us keep these animals moving through the system and allow us to continue to save homeless cats and dogs in our region.



Average per Day

33

Average number of dogs and cats cared for

76

Animals brought into the shelter through owner surrenders and transfers



17

Dogs and cats transferred to trusted rescue partners so we can continue taking in animals in need.

## The Numbers for Our First Six Months



41

Wonderful dogs and cats placed into loving homes throughout the Northern Neck



21



Animals spayed or neutered to support healthy outcomes, including members of our on-site feral colony.

# Holiday Home & Gift Market



This event not only was a fundraiser to continue our operations, it was also an opportunity to highlight our wonderful shelter animals. We had a number of visitors tour the shelter and meet our animals. In fact, one of our resident cats, Nyla, found a new home that day.

Our sincere thanks go to the volunteers who organized and managed this event and to the vendors who participated. We especially thank the public for supporting us with purchases, donations, and adoptions. It is that support that helped us raise the funds to build the shelter and that continued support will help us keep the dream alive.

# New NNPP Website

Helping More Animals Through a Stronger Online Presence

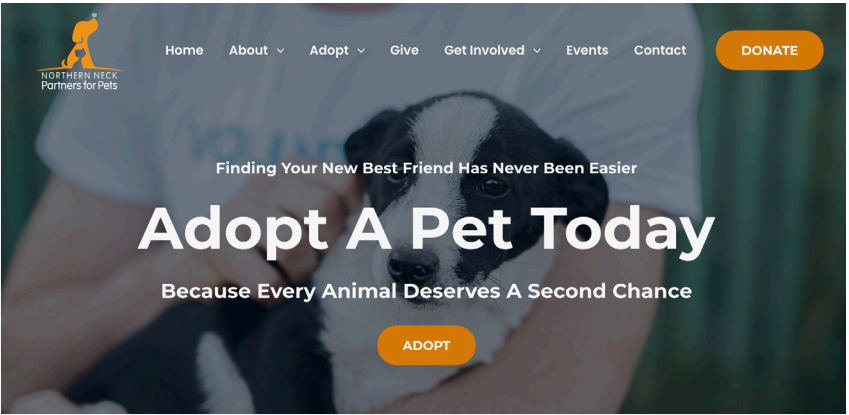
NNPP has a beautiful newly launched website designed by the very talented Jennifer Hultz, who generously donated her time and expertise. We are truly grateful for her work.

The site shares our journey to

build the shelter, highlights our adoptable dogs and cats, and offers easy access to adoption, foster, and volunteer applications. It also helps connect our community with the animals and programs that depend on donor support. And of

On the first weekend in November a holiday home and gift market fundraising event was held at the Fricke Pavillion on the campus of the NNPP “no-kill” shelter. This event, hosted by the volunteers who run two booths to benefit NNPP at the Kilmarnock Antique Gallery. Erin Kania, Gordon Sheridan, Barbara Jones, and their team of volunteers, brought in 27 carefully selected vendors and artisans who offered a variety of items for sale. In addition to vendor fees, they sold many items brought over from the Kilmarnock Antique Gallery booths. We also received the benefits of a 50/50 raffle, and generous donations from those who attended.

This event not only was a fundraiser to continue our



course, you can make an online gift through the site as well.

Visit the new site at [northernneckpartnersforpets.org](http://northernneckpartnersforpets.org).

# Leaving a Legacy!

You can help us in our commitment to save the homeless cats and dogs of the Northern Neck? Northern Neck Partners for Pets (NNPP) invites you to join us in our compassionate mission to relieve the suffering of these animals by donating funds to help us in the continued operation of our shelter and Feral Cat Colony on Devil's Bottom Road in Lancaster County, Virginia. There are many ways you can give a gift to NNPP that will come directly from your retirement accounts. Please consider the following options –

- 1. Make a current qualified charitable distribution (QCD) directly from your traditional or inherited IRA to NNPP. If you are age 70 ½ or older, you can give up to \$108,000 per year to all charities (\$216,000 for couples) and

your gift does not count as a TAXABLE distribution.

- 2. If you must take a Required Minimum Distribution (RMD), your QCD counts towards this amount.
- 3. Name Northern Neck Partner's for Pets as a beneficiary of your IRA or other retirement account. All you need to do is contact your IRA account holder to update your beneficiary designation form.

Normally, distributions from a traditional IRA are taxable when received. With a QCD, however, these distributions become tax-free, provided they are paid directly from the IRA to NNPP.

If you are interested in making Northern Neck Partners of

Pets part of your legacy giving, contact your IRA Trustee today with the following information

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Please reach out to our Board  
Advisor, Alfie Butts, Tidewater  
Trusts

Phone and Email  
jab@tidewatertrusts.com  
804 438 9999

## A Special Dedication at the NNPP Entrance

The entrance to the NNPP property now features a beautiful new sign, marking another meaningful step in bringing our shelter to life. We are deeply grateful to the Dilday family for donating the sign in memory of April Blake, whose love for animals continues to inspire our work.



# Finding Homes, Changing Lives

Every animal who leaves our shelter for a loving home is a reminder of why our work matters. Here are just a few happy adoptions from the past months

At NNPP, every adoption is the beginning of a new chapter – for the animals, and for the families who welcome them. Every adoption opens a space for us to help another animal in need. You can see more adopted pets on our website. [www.northernneckpartnersforpets.org/adopted](http://www.northernneckpartnersforpets.org/adopted)

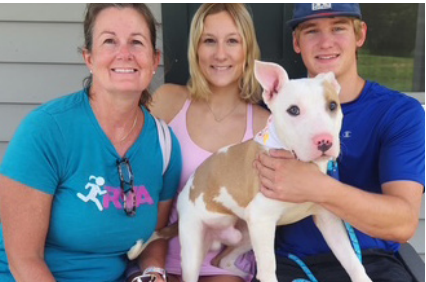


Salem



Salem blossomed quickly in our care and captured hearts with her quiet charm. She is now happily loved by her new family.

Pirate



Pirate won everyone over with his sweet nature and puppy confidence. He now enjoys life with a family who adores him.

Jackson



Jackson's gentle nature made him an instant favorite. He found a wonderful home where he enjoys quiet naps and plenty of love.

## Farmer's Market

NNPP has participated in the Irvington Farmer's Market every year since we started our fund-raising efforts to build the shelter, but this year was different. Our shelter opened in June, 2025, and while the fundraising will continue to keep the operation going, this year we also had the opportunity to include some of our residents in the market. Volunteers walked dogs throughout the market, and cats resided at the booth. There was no shortage of attention to these animals, who enjoyed their opportunity to shine. We prepared a book of information about all of our shelter animals to share with our visitors. One young man studied that book like he was preparing for the SATs. Hopefully, his parents will reward his diligence with a pet of his own. We thank the VIA, our fellow vendors, and the patrons for the kindness and support we receive at the markets. See you next Spring.



# A Tiny Kitten With a Big Spirit

Saved by Kindness and Welcomed With Love



Imagine you are a small kitten dumped from a truck with nowhere to go. That's what happened to Miss Mavis. She was fortunate enough to be saved through the combined efforts of the family who witnessed the event and the NNPP staff. This little one showed spunk and determination from day one. Though she suffered from an upper respiratory condition and an ear infection, she still managed to melt hearts. After weeks recovering at the shelter, I took this little one home on a "trial" basis to see if my 14 year-old cat, Jasper, would accept her. I was only kidding myself. Before the first

night ended, I had decided that she was home and that Jasper would just need to deal with it. I am happy to report that he has adapted, and her antics provide this senior cat with endless entertainment. If you are wondering if your current pet might accept a new friend, please come talk to our staff. They know the personalities of our shelter animals and can help you make a choice that best fits your family.

## FOLLOW US ON FACEBOOK

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# The NNPP Feral Sanctuary

A Safe Haven for Cats Who Need a Different Path

The NNPP Feral Sanctuary provides a safe, stable environment for cats who cannot be returned to their original outdoor homes. Our Sanctuary offers transition space, shelter, daily food and water, and opportunities for gentle socialization with people, other cats, and the natural surroundings.

We are grateful to everyone who supports this special program that gives every cat a place to belong.

For questions about the Sanctuary, please contact us at [info@northernneckpartnersforpets.org](mailto:info@northernneckpartnersforpets.org).

## SANCTUARY

**Will provide:**

- Transition Space**  
*Enclosures to allow the cats to adjust to their new environment*
- Shelter**  
*Bunkhouses for sleeping and porches for relaxing*
- Food & Water**  
*Covered platforms for daily meals*
- Socialization**  
*With people  
With other cats  
With nature*



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Friends of the Sanctuary  
One time donation \$100.00

## SANCTUARY

for Homeless, Unadoptable, Community & Feral Cats

**Stability And Safety**

*Living in the wild is scary. Not knowing where your next meal is coming from or what it will be. Predators abound. Trash cans become your target. You become a nuisance. When provided the basic necessities, cats can live together and sometimes, can live with humans!*





Rescue | Nurture | Adopt | Educate

## Unique, Vintage, Well-Priced

Visit NNPP's two booths at the Kilmarnock Antique Gallery on School Street in Kilmarnock. All proceeds support the creation of a privately funded, no-kill animal shelter and adoption center, dedicated to serving the four counties of the Northern Neck.

**Shop with us!**  
For more information visit our website:  
[NorthernNeckPartnersForPets.org](https://NorthernNeckPartnersForPets.org)





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**FIRST CLASS MAIL**

Visit our two popular booths at the Kilmarnock Antique Gallery! Our booth sales help us every month. Want to donate items? Please call 804-436-7396 and leave a message. Someone will get back to you!

# Thank You for Supporting NNPP

**We couldn't do this without you.**

## Shelter Hours

*Tue - Wed: CLOSED*

*Thu - Mon: 11:00 AM - 3:00 PM*



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