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The Planned Giving Club of
Animal Protection of New Mexico and
Animal Protection Voters

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News and information for members of APNM and APV's planned giving community, recognizing your long-term commitment to protecting New Mexico's animals.



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Helping New Mexico's Horses



A gentle stallion named Sun Dance is one of the 949 animals who have been helped by Animal Protection of New Mexico's Equine Protection Fund (EPF) since this life-affirming program began in 2010.

Because his caretakers could not afford the complicated gelding Sun Dance needed, he risked being returned to the sale barn. In the nick of time, the Equine Protection Fund stepped in to pay for the procedure. Today, Sun Dance is happy and healthy at home with his family.

The EPF offers emergency feed assistance, gelding assistance, veterinary services, and humane end-of-life care for equines in the care of qualifying families and horse shelters. Without the EPF's assistance over the past seven years, many of these equines could have been sold at auction to "kill buyers" who ship the animals to Mexico to be slaughtered for horsemeat.

The Equine Protection Fund is disrupting this cruel horse slaughter pipeline. But the EPF isn't

the only way we help horses and other equines. APNM's legislative arm, Animal Protection Voters (APV), works to improve state policies and pass strong laws, protecting these iconic animals who did so much to shape the American West.

One such piece of legislation was House Bill 390 in 2017, which would have given the state's horse rescue shelters first option to adopt equines in the custody of the New Mexico Livestock Board (NMLB). APV lobbied tirelessly for HB 390, and it passed both the House and Senate. Although Governor Martinez did not sign the bill into law, the NMLB agreed to propose a change in their rules to accomplish the same end. Stay tuned for more updates this year.

Will you help us reach the milestone of 1,000 horses helped in 2018? Please make a gift to www.EquineProtectionFund.org.

APNM and APV: a dynamic duo that, together, helps more animals than either could do alone.

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Elisabeth Jennings
Executive Director

Did you know that APNM is a family of—not one, not two—but three organizations?

While APNM was founded in 1979, the Animal Protection of New Mexico Foundation was established in 2001 with the sole mission to support APNM and safely manage its endowment.

Then, in 2002, after years of thwarted efforts to pass stronger laws for animals (such as a ban on cockfighting), Animal Protection Voters (APV) was created as APNM's legislative arm. No other state in the U.S. has anything like the powerful partnership of APNM and APV to bring about comprehensive, lasting change for animals.

Additionally, in June of 2017, the

Animal Protection Voters Endowment was created, ensuring APV can maintain its powerful efforts to pass pro-animal legislation and hold public officials accountable.

All three organizations, and the APV Endowment, need legacy gifts to ensure that humane becomes the new normal, no matter how many years it takes. Together we've made progress for animals, but we all know that so much more needs to change.

Please contact me at lisa@apnm.org, or our Chief Development Officer, Elizabeth Wolf, at elizabeth@apnm.org, to talk about which organization(s) might best fit in your estate planning. *Thank you for caring about animals.*

Building Humane Communities Across New Mexico

The joy of a newly untethered dog is a heartwarming sight. Just ask APNM staffers Lyndi Martinez and Eileen McCarthy, whose successful pilot program, **Humane Communities: Santa Fe**, built Stormy a new enclosure where she can run free. This fencing initiative, supported by the Doris Goodwin Walbridge Foundation, is designed to improve the lives of dogs who are tethered outside all year round because their families need help building a suitable enclosure.

APNM's **Humane Communities** (HC) initiatives aim to build kinder, more compassionate communities in New Mexico through targeted local outreach. Since the program was launched in 2016, **Humane Communities** has partnered with local leaders, businesses, and residents in Santa Fe, Las Vegas, and Valencia County.

Of the 135,000 homeless dogs and cats taken in by New Mexico shelters each year, half are euthanized for lack of adoptive homes. Spay and neuter services are the answer, but many areas of our state have almost no access to veterinary care, while some people cannot afford the surgeries for their animals. Fortunately, **Humane Communities: Las Vegas** helped bring free spay/neuter and

vaccination clinics to that community last year.

In 2018, **Humane Communities** will begin partnering with advocates who provide life-saving services for animals in McKinley

County, thanks to a generous charitable bequest from a longtime APNM supporter. This gift will have an enduring and positive impact on animals in Gallup and surrounding communities.

If you are interested in leaving a legacy to benefit a particular New Mexico community, please contact Chief Development Officer Elizabeth Wolf at 505-933-1123 or elizabeth@apnm.org.



Lyndi, Stormy, and Eileen

Planned Giving: How it Works

Most of us are familiar with the **charitable bequest** — a gift left to a nonprofit organization through your will or living trust. But there are several other options for making donations through what’s called “planned giving.”

APNM thanks longtime supporter Susan Morrison, an Albuquerque attorney and Certified Financial Planner, for explaining the most common ones below, from simplest to most complex. (Contact Susan at Q Financial Planning, 505-433-2255, susan.morrison@ampf.com.)

Gift of Stock This is an easy and inexpensive option: you can donate appreciated stock to APNM, APNM Foundation, APV, or APV’s new endowment (see page 2 for APNM’s family of organizations).

Beneficiary Designations Name the charity of your choice as a beneficiary on IRAs and other retirement plans, life insurance policies, invested assets, real estate, and bank accounts.

Life Insurance Make a gift of a new or existing policy to the charity.

Retained Real Estate Transfer title of your home or vacation property to the charity and retain the right to live in or rent the home for the rest of your life. After you pass, your home goes to the charity.

Charitable Remainder Trust (CRT) Transfer assets into the trust and take payments for life. The remainder left in the trust after your life is distributed to the charity.

Irrevocable Life Insurance Trust (ILIT) Paired with the CRT, the ILIT provides death benefits to your family or other non-charitable beneficiaries to replace assets gifted in the CRT.

Charitable Lead Trust Most appropriate for high-net-worth individuals, the charitable lead trust allows you to transfer assets to the trust while providing an income stream to the charity of your choice. Ask your attorney if this option makes sense for your estate.

For a downloadable chart showing the pros and cons of each of these options, visit apnm.org/giving.



Xena is an 8 year-old rescued Chihuahua from Los Lunas. She and her mother were adopted by Cindy, a member of APNM’s Humane Education team. Xena got her certification as a therapy dog and works with Cindy in schools throughout New Mexico.

Note: Information contained in this section is not intended to provide specific legal or financial advice and should not be relied upon as a substitute for such professional advice. We strongly encourage you to consult with an attorney or financial planner to ensure the legality of your will, and before deciding on any course of action involving your estate.

In Your Words

Thank you, D.H., for sharing why you choose to include APNM in your estate planning:

*"My first passion was the family cat. As a child, I came to know that if I understood animals better, I would understand all of life better. I care about all animals, and there isn't a single animal issue I care about that APNM **isn't** covering. This organization does it all, from grassroots organizing to lobbying the legislature. That's huge!" —D.H., Albuquerque*

We'd also love to hear from you. What motivated you to include a charitable bequest in your will or trust? Why is supporting animal protection important to you? What advice would you give someone embarking on his or her own estate planning? Please share your wisdom! Contact Chief Development Officer Elizabeth Wolf at 505-933-1123 or elizabeth@apnm.org.



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Doing Well by Doing Good

with Mark Napolin, CLU, ChFC
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Join us for an informative discussion on charitable gift opportunities to support APNM and APV. You'll also gain insight and be able to ask questions on estate planning trends, including wills and trusts, **and the impact of the new tax bill.**

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Light refreshments provided. Attend a workshop in Albuquerque or Santa Fe.

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Saturday, March 10
10am to 12pm

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Santa Fe:
Saturday, March 17
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