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Michigan Pet Alliance opens applications for 2023 Better Together grants and awards Animal shelters, rescues and nonprofits in Michigan earn funding, training sessions

April 24, 2023, Bloomfield Hills, Michigan – Michigan Pet Alliance (MPA) announces the 2023 grants and awards program for animal shelters, nonprofit rescues and animal welfare organizations in Michigan.

"This year's theme is Better Together," said Deborah Schutt, MPA chairperson. "In the animal welfare field, we accomplish more when we work together. Collaboration saves more lives and leads to new ideas and innovation. We want to hear about successful partnerships in our state, and we want to reward them."

MPA invites Michigan licensed shelters, as well as nonprofit rescue and animal welfare organizations, to apply for any or all grant awards.

This year's categories and awards:

- Better Together Community Outreach Award: \$3,000
- Better Together Creative Programs Award: \$2,000
- Better Together Fundraising Award: \$2,000
- Scentwork Training in a Shelter or Rescue: \$400 value
- On-site Cat Care Training Grant: \$1,000 value
- On-site Dog Care Training Grant: \$1,000 value
- Karen Brocklehurst Volunteer of the Year Award: \$100 gift card (nominee must be an MPA member)

"Michigan Pet Alliance values the continuous efforts and hard work of our state's shelters and animal welfare advocates," said Namiko Ota-Noveskey, MPA board member and committee chair. "Education and advocacy are pillars of our mission to speak with one voice to improve lifesaving and standards of care for our state's pets. Through our annual awards program, we honor and reward those who work together to save more lives."

Grant awards are made possible thanks to the generosity of the Humane Society of Macomb Foundation.

There is no cost to apply for any of the grant awards. The deadline for applications is Monday, May 22, 2023, at 11:59 p.m. Eastern at www.michiganpet.org/about/2023-mpa-awards/. Winners will be notified in August.

Michigan Pet Alliance

Michigan's only professional trade association of animal welfare organizations, the mission of Michigan Pet Alliance is to work in collaboration and to speak with a single voice to eliminate abuse and neglect of Michigan's companion animals and to save all healthy and treatable homeless companion animals through training, technical assistance, education and advocacy. For more information, please visit MichiganPet.org and follow @MichiganPetAlliance on Facebook.