

Working to achieve the best quality of life for Michigan's companion animals



## Makin' Pawsitive Change, June 2024

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## 2024 One Voice Conference & Expo



One Voice: Michigan Pet Alliance Conference & Expo  
October 9-11, 2024 | Grand Rapids, MI

Conference registration is open for the **2024 One Voice: Michigan Pet Alliance Conference & Expo** taking place October 9-11 at the Sheraton Grand Rapids Airport Hotel.

### Why Attend?

The 2024 One Voice: Michigan Pet Alliance Conference & Expo gathers more than 300 staff, volunteers, and advocates from animal welfare organizations, shelters, and rescues throughout Michigan. The theme of this year's conference is Better Together, as we assemble leaders and visionaries to share the latest research and best practices in animal welfare. This conference is the premier event for pet professionals, enthusiasts, and animal lovers in Michigan. This year's lineup promises to be exceptional,

featuring renowned speakers, engaging workshops, and invaluable networking opportunities. Whether you work in a shelter or rescue, are a veterinarian or trainer, or simply a passionate pet owner or volunteer, this conference has something for you! For more details, please visit: [2024 One Voice Conference](#)

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MPA is still in need of sponsors and exhibitors for our 2024 One Voice Conference! As leaders in the animal welfare community, we invite you to come on board as one of our conference sponsors, or consider securing an exhibition booth to draw attention to your services and organization. Both of these opportunities are wonderful ways to showcase and market your organization or product, as well as pave the way for meaningful partnerships with other conference participants. Becoming a conference sponsor fosters a mutually beneficial relationship centered on shared values and goals in relation to animal welfare. For more information, please visit [Conference Sponsorship Opportunities](#)

## Advocacy Update

We are still waiting for legislators to take action on several pieces of legislation including:

- Queenie's Law ([HB 4849](#)) which would prohibit taxpayer-funded institutions from conducting unnecessary and painful experiments on dogs
- [HB 4838](#) which would restrict the retail sale of cats, dogs, and rabbits in an effort to cut down on puppy mills
- [HB 5587-5593](#) that will update sentencing guidelines for those who commit crimes against animals
- [HB 4883](#) which would ban the declaw of cats
- [HB 4980](#) which would allow for veterinary telehealth

Please contact your legislators and encourage them to move these bills forward in the legislative process. Find your legislators here: <https://www.house.mi.gov/>

## Mid-June Through Mid-July MPA Member Events

A benefit of [MPA membership](#) is promotion for the upcoming events and fundraisers of member organizations. Here are several opportunities to support animal welfare organizations in Michigan this month:

Month of June: [Upper Peninsula Animal Welfare Shelter 2025 Pet Calendar](#)

## Contest

June 17-22: [Cartoon Your Pet - Paws for Life Animal Rescue](#)

June 20: [Little Paws Story Time - Humane Society of Huron Valley](#)

June 20: [Dog Vaccine Clinic at Preuss Pets - Ingham County Animal Control & Shelter](#)

June 21: [Cats and Kids - Humane Society of Huron Valley](#)

June 21: [Bring Love Home Event @ Pet Supplies Plus Battle Creek - Eaton County Humane Society](#)

June 22: [Grand Rapids Pride Festival - Pleasant Hearts Pet Food Pantry](#)

June 22: [Friends of Michigan Animals Rescue - 15th Annual Golf Outing](#)

June 22: [HSHV's TNR Weekend Extravaganza for Community Cats - Feline Fund](#)

June 22: [Bring Love Home Event @ Pet Supplies Plus Battle Creek - Eaton County Humane Society](#)

June 22: [Trivia with Cats 2024 - Humane Society of Huron Valley](#)

June 23: [Kidz & Kittenz Paint with a Cat - Karma Kat Cafe](#)

June 24: [Belleville Farmers Market Adoption Event - Friends of Michigan Animals Rescue](#)

June 24: [Paws & Reflect - Karma Kat Cafe](#)

June 25: [Houghton Farmer's Market - Copper Country Humane Society](#)

June 25: [Pawprint Pose - Karma Kat Cafe](#)

June 26: [Bingo Night @ Select Auditorium - Noah Project](#)

June 27: [Cat Vaccine Clinic at Shelter - Ingham County Animal Control & Shelter](#)

June 27: [Putts Fore Paw - Little Traverse Bay Humane Society](#)

June 27: [Sanilac Tail-Gate Pop-Up Adoption - Sanilac County Humane Society](#)

June 28: [Food Truck Fridays at Riverside Park - Pleasant Hearts Pet Food Pantry](#)

June 29: [Sanilac County Humane Society at Mama's Lexington Farmers Market](#)

June 29: [Pawty on the Harmony Brewing Patio! Helping keep your dog calm during fireworks & storms - Grand Rapids Pitbull Alliance](#)

June 30: [Cats & Mats - Karma Kat Cafe](#)

June 30: [Nail Clinic - Karma Kat Cafe](#)

Month of July: [Tap Tour @ Waverly Stone Gastropub - Harbor Humane Society](#)

July 2: [Houghton Farmer's Market - Copper Country Humane Society](#)

July 3: [Bingo Night @ Select Auditorium - Noah Project](#)

July 6: [Distribution Day! - Pleasant Hearts Pet Food Pantry](#)

July 6: [Low Cost Vaccine Clinic - Humane Society of Huron Valley](#)

July 6: [Volunteer Orientation - Ingham County Animal Control & Shelter](#)

- July 9: [Houghton Farmer's Market - Copper Country Humane Society](#)
- July 10: [Dog Vaccine Clinic at Ingham County Fairgrounds - Ingham County Animal Control & Shelter](#)
- July 10: [Bingo Night @ Select Auditorium - Noah Project](#)
- July 11: [Volunteer Orientation - Ingham County Animal Control & Shelter](#)
- July 12: [Food Truck Fridays at Riverside Park – Pleasant Hearts Pet Food Pantry](#)
- July 12: [Love Train Puppy Adoption Day – Humane Society of Huron Valley](#)
- July 13: [Rescue Reading – Humane Society of Huron Valley](#)
- July 13: [Petco Arborland Adoption Event – Friends of Michigan Animals Rescue](#)
- July 13: [Teen Mewie Night – Humane Society of Huron Valley](#)
- July 16: [Houghton Farmer's Market - Copper Country Humane Society](#)
- July 16: [Woe Book Launch: A Celebration of Cats & Books with Lucy Knisley - Humane Society of Huron Valley](#)
- July 17: [Bingo Night @ Select Auditorium - Noah Project](#)
- July 18: [27th Annual Tee Up 4 Tails Golf Fundraiser - Upper Peninsula Animal Welfare Shelter](#)
- July 18: [Little Paws Story Time - Humane Society of Huron Valley](#)
- July 18: [10th Annual Ales for Tails: Woofstock Edition - Harbor Humane Society](#)
- July 19: [Animal Fundraiser Garage Sale - I Heart Dogs Rescue and Animal Haven](#)
- July 19: [Pets and Pajamas - Humane Society of Huron Valley](#)
- July 20: [Golf Scramble - Cheboygan County Humane Society](#)
- July 20: [Foster Volunteer Orientation - Humane Society of Huron Valley](#)
- July 20: [Distribution Day! - Pleasant Hearts Pet Food Pantry](#)
- July 21: [Free Microchip Clinic - Pleasant Hearts Pet Food Pantry](#)
- July 21: [Saginaw County Animal Care & Control Adoption Event Hosted by Paws & Beyond](#)

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### MPA Vision

To achieve the best quality of life for Michigan’s companion animals.

### MPA Mission

To work in collaboration and 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.

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