



WORKING TO ACHIEVE THE BEST QUALITY OF LIFE FOR MICHIGAN'S COMPANION ANIMALS

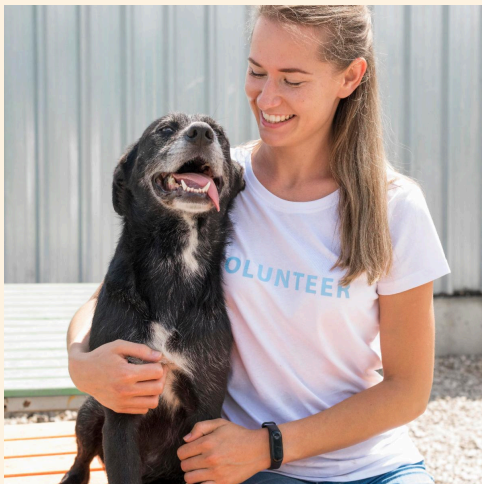


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Michigan Pet Alliance supports its members. Speaking with One Voice, we can create lasting change. Lend your voice. [Become a member](#) today.

local advocacy committee



As an added benefit for Michigan Pet Alliance (MPA) members, the new local advocacy committee launches Wednesday, January 28.

This ad hoc committee will meet virtually on the fourth Wednesday of every month at 7 p.m. to discuss and to strategize how best to tackle animal welfare issues affecting local communities.

MPA's existing policy and advocacy committee will continue to focus on animal welfare legislative issues at the state level, while this new ad hoc committee will focus on local community advocacy.

The MPA local advocacy committee will provide a venue for members to:

- Discuss, coordinate and strategize animal welfare issues in their communities
- Network and build relationships among members
- Learn from experiences of other members

MPA invites any and all members to join the monthly online meeting by emailing the committee chairs at courtney@michiganpet.org to request the Google Meet link.

In addition to anything new brought to the call, a few potential current local issues up for discussion this month include:

- St Clair County dog killing by sheriff's deputy
- Farmington Hills outdoor dogs
- St Johns outdoor feeding ban for community cats

calling all exhibitors

Expo registration for the [2026 One Voice: Michigan Pet Alliance Conference & Expo](#) is now open. Space is limited. Reserve your expo booth today!

This year's conference is October 2-3, 2026, at Macomb Community College in Clinton Township. The theme is Next Level.

One Voice is Michigan's largest statewide animal welfare conference where professionals, volunteers and advocates from animal shelters and rescues throughout the state convene to improve standards and quality of care for companion animals.



Benefits to being an exhibitor include:

- A free one-year corporate MPA membership (\$300 value)
- Promotion as an exhibitor on MPA's website and in the Whova event app

- Attendee engagement, lead generation and exhibitor passport contest
- Use of an 8-foot table and two chairs
- Access to electrical power
- Meals and snacks

Expo hours:

- Friday, October 2, 9 a.m. - 5:30 p.m. Eastern
- Saturday, October 3, 8:30 a.m. - 2:30 p.m. Eastern

Expo booth costs:

- \$600 for non-member
- \$300 for corporate or individual member
- \$150 for non-profit member

2024 One Voice Fun Facts:

- 163 attendees
- 38 breakout speakers
- 14 roundtable experts
- 13 exhibitors
- 8 award winners
- 4 grant recipients
- Countless raffle prizes
- 1 SHARED EXPERIENCE

For more information, including sponsorship packages, please contact Michelle at michelle@michiganpet.org.

[Expo Registration](#)

youTube with us

Impulse control in dogs is the ability to pause before reacting. It is the mental space between stimulus and response. That pause may be only a second long, but it is powerful. It allows a dog to think rather than to simply react.

In this video, trainer Kelly Kendall from Happy Dog Acres and canine Brave demonstrate the Airplane Game to help teach dogs better impulse control.



employment opps

Michigan Pet Alliance supports and shares job openings for members. Contact us when you have employment opportunities or events to share.

[Saginaw County Animal Care & Control](#)

5615 Bay Road, Saginaw, MI 48604

scacc@saginawcounty.com

Animal Control Officer

[Job Description](#)

Field Supervisor

[Job Description](#)

All applicants must apply through the Saginaw County website under [employment opportunities](#). The deadline to apply is January 22.

Please feel free to share these opportunities with anyone you know who may be interested or a good fit.

corporate members

Michigan Pet Alliance appreciates the partnership and engagement of our corporate members. Give these animal-loving companies your business. They support the work and missions of animal welfare organizations in Michigan.

If you know a business owner who cares about dogs and cats, too, encourage them to join MPA and to become a corporate member. Share the [benefits of membership](#) in MPA.



member events

A benefit of MPA membership is free promotion for the upcoming events and fundraisers of member organizations. Here are a few opportunities to support animal welfare organizations next month:

- **February 3:** [Bingo Night](#), Muskegon, Noah Project
- **February 6:** [Pets & Pajamas](#), Ann Arbor, Humane Society of Huron Valley
- **February 7:** [Creative Journal Gathering](#), Mt Pleasant, Karma Kat Cafe
- **February 8:** [TNR Training](#), Warren, All About Animals
- **February 14:** [Hazel's Love Potion Brew Release Party](#), Marquette, UPAWS
- **February 14:** [Mobile Pet Food Pantry](#), Lansing, Ingham County Animal Control
- **February 15:** [TNR Best Practices Training](#), online, All About Animals
- **February 15:** [Purrfect Match Cat Adoption Event](#), Lansing, Happy Feet Pet Rescue
- **February 16:** [Community Cats Spay/Neuter](#), Warren, Feline Fund
- **February 20:** [Rock Out for Rescue 2026](#), Petoskey, Little Traverse Bay Humane Society
- **February 21:** [Chili Cook-Off](#), St. Clair Shores, I Heart Dogs Rescue
- **February 21:** [Fur Ball 2026: Breakfast at Tiffany's](#), South Haven, Al-Van Humane Society
- **February 27:** [Wellness Clinic](#), Livonia, Tailwaggers 1990

Lend your voice and enjoy the benefits of being a member of Michigan Pet Alliance. [Become a member](#) today! It's only \$35 a year for an individual. That's less than \$3 a month to support pets and life-saving initiatives.

Michigan Pet Alliance

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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