



Mississippi (2007 through 2012)

Legislation/Public Policy

- The HSUS in Mississippi has been advocating alongside other state and national coalition partners for the following legislation:
 - Felony animal cruelty legislation to protect dogs and cats (passed)
 - Ban on hog-dog fighting events (passed)

Grants, Aid, and Project Contributions

- Provided direct support and grant assistance to:
 - The Mississippi Animal Rescue League
 - Southern Pines Animal Shelter
 - Tunica Humane Society
 - Waveland Animal Shelter
 - Pearl River ASPCA
 - Hancock county grant for new shelter building
 - The Humane Society of South Mississippi
- Provided medical care for:
 - Seven Horses seized in Covington County
 - A calf seized in Hancock County
 - Two abandoned dogs found in Ovette
 - An emaciated horse seized from Jones County
 - A horse severely abused found in Soso
 - Fourteen dogs abandoned in a house in Laurel
 - Two dogs rescued from the Choctaw Reservation; one required extensive surgery
 - Purchased food and care supplies for multiple animals throughout the state
- Provided grants to initiate low cost spay/neuter clinics in Hattiesburg, Gulfport, Tupelo, and Jackson
- Funding provided to Mississippi State Veterinary school for spay/neuter program
- The HSUS has invested over \$253,000 in Mississippi to save animals from life-threatening cruelty, and we paid \$5,000 in rewards in conjunction with successful animal fighting cases in our state.

Training, Shelter, and Advocate Outreach and Events

- Host annual day-long workshop for shelter professionals and animal control officers statewide
- Provided free law enforcement training on animal cruelty and fighting in Natchez and West Point
- Sponsored three free rabies clinics including low-cost spay/neuter services in Hancock, Tupelo, and Hattiesburg
- Hosted an annual lobby day open to Miss. animal advocates to learn about current legislation and how to make a difference for animals
- Trained 38 members of law enforcement in Mississippi on illegal animal cruelty and fighting investigations
- Assisted 90 state residents with a cruelty situation in their community



Partnerships

- The HSUS partners with four shelters and rescues in Mississippi to care for rescued animals and help find their forever homes.

Direct Assistance, Hands-On Care, Transport, or Placement

- Rescued 124 dogs from a puppy mill in Carriere
- Rescued 117 dogs from a hoarding situation in Macon
- Rescued 14 dogs from a cruelty case in Laurel
- Housed and cared for 92 displaced animals during the Mississippi River flooding in 2011
- Rescued cats stranded from the flood waters in Tunica
- Provided direct care and emergency response during Hurricane Katrina; including operation of a temporary emergency animal shelter for 1,800 animals, and three staging areas in the counties impacted by the storm
- Rescued 180 dogs and four cats from a hoarder/sanctuary in Kemper County
- Since January 2011, The HSUS worked with Mississippi law enforcement to rescue 312 animals from illegal animal cruelty, and worked with other agencies to care for 92 animals displaced because of natural disasters.