



South Carolina Accomplishments (2004 through 2012)

Legislation/Public Policy

- The HSUS in South Carolina has been working alongside other state and national coalition partners on the following legislation:
 - Banning hog-dog fighting
 - Dogfighting asset forfeiture
 - Increased penalties for cockfighting

Grants, Aid, and Project Contributions

- \$18,000 in grant money to South Carolina and surrounding states
- \$79,000 in grants, facilitated by The HSUS, to shelters and other animal organizations
- Paid for veterinary forensics in a suspected cruelty case
- Offered a reward for information leading to the arrest and conviction of individuals involved in a cruelty case in Berkeley County
- Since January 2011, rewarded \$5,000 to citizens reporting animal fighting, leading to multiple arrests
- Since January 2011, partnered with five shelters and rescues in South Carolina to care for rescued animals and help find forever homes
- Offered a reward for information leading to the arrest and conviction of individuals involved in a cruelty case in Georgetown County

Training, Shelter, and Advocate Outreach and Events

- Organized and held multiple Humane Lobby Days in Columbia to bring together advocates from across the state to meet with their legislators
- Held six Lobby 101s throughout South Carolina to engage advocates in the legislative process
- Worked with a local shelter to found "Unchain Charleston," a group organized to build free fences for dogs otherwise living permanently on tethers or chains
- Since January 2011, assisted more than 70 state residents when they needed help addressing animal cruelty in their communities

Partnerships

- Assisted the South Carolina Law Enforcement Division, the United States Department of Agriculture, and local animal control with the execution of a search warrant in a hog-dog fighting operation, leading to the removal of 95 dogs and 15 hogs, which were placed in animal shelters throughout the Southeast
- Assisted the South Carolina Attorney General's office in the successful prosecution of notorious dogfighter David Tant
- Sponsored the South Carolina Animal Care and Control Conference and provided free media training to shelters, rescues, and animal control personnel
- Participated in S.C. Dogfighting Taskforce meetings set-up and attended by the South Carolina Attorney General

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

- Cockfighting Raid in Greenville County, 197 birds rescued
- Helped coordinate the placement of eight cats from a Greenwood County hoarding case