



Wisconsin Accomplishments (2008 through 2012)

Legislation/Public Policy

- The HSUS in Wisconsin has been working alongside other state and national coalition partners on the following legislation:
 - Antifreeze pet poisoning protection bill (passed)
 - Act 90, the states puppy mill law and Department of Agriculture's administrative rules
 - Local trapping ordinances (including passing of limited trapping ordinance in Eau Claire after dogs killed/injured)
 - Canada goose round up in multiple communities (opposed)
 - Multiple animal bills including Casey's Law, Windchill's Law, felons/dangerous dogs, thrill kill, wolves, sandhill cranes, pet protective orders, exotics ban, and efforts to weaken puppy mill law (ongoing)

Grants, Aid, and Project Contributions

- Provided or facilitated over \$136,000 in funds to Wisconsin humane organizations
- Numerous grants to Wisc. shelters and sanctuaries – e.g., emergency grants for shelter facilities damaged by snow storms, replacing broken heating units, donating to special veterinary needs facilities (such as contagious disease buildings), expansion of spay/neuter services, replacing industrial washers and dryers, educational and community programming encouraging spay/neuter/pet adoptions and better care, covering cost of veterinary care for animals seized from puppy mills and abuse/neglect/hoarding cases, and community wellness day events providing free basic veterinary services
- The HSUS has worked with law enforcement to offer and pay out reward money in several cruelty cases, which led to informants coming forward with information leading to the arrest and conviction of persons responsible for crimes against animals.
- Partnered with Brew City Bully Club to launch End Dogfighting in Milwaukee
- Contributed to conferences of the Wisconsin Federated Humane Societies

Training, Shelter, and Advocate Outreach and Events

- The HSUS provided law enforcement training on Animal Fighting Investigations attended by Wisconsin police officers, sheriffs, animal control officers, USDA inspectors, and Wisconsin Department of Justice criminal investigators.
- Wisconsin shelters have hosted Humane Society University trainings including Shelter Boot Camp, Disaster Animal Response Team trainings, Emergency Animal Sheltering, Illegal Animal Fighting, and Animal Cruelty and Fighting Investigations.

Partnerships

- Worked with Wisconsin Department of Justice to assist in an undercover investigation to bust a cockfighting operation in Waushara County while working with the Waushara County Sheriff's Office to raid the property; 150 birds seized, and owner David Janke convicted of 10 felony counts of possession of animals with the intent that they be fought, and nine counts of being a felon in possession of firearms
- Green Bay Police Department and other law enforcement agencies request and use our Dogfighting Reward posters and other materials.



- Partnered with Wisconsin Department of Natural Resources on orphaned wildlife PSAs
- The HSUS also partnered with Wisconsin Federated Humane Societies shelters to care for rescued animals and help find their forever homes.
- University of Wisconsin's College of Veterinary Medicine sends more veterinary students than any other school to participate in our Humane Society Veterinary Medical Association's field trips, providing direct care to animals in need.
- HSVMA hosted a Wisconsin Spay Day event, where veterinarians provided training to UW veterinary students and Madison Area Technical College veterinary tech students and spayed/neutered 80 free-roaming cats in Dane County.
- Pain and Distress Pledge to University of Wisconsin and Marquette University

Corporate Reform

- The HSUS helped these facilities implement cage-free policies in Wisconsin:
 - University of Wisconsin, Madison
 - University of Wisconsin, OshKosh
 - University of Wisconsin, Whitewater
 - Carroll University, Waukesha
 - Outpost Natural Foods
 - Suzy's Cream Cheesecakes, St. Francis
 - HospiceCare, Inc., Madison
 - St. Vincent Hospital, Green Bay
 - Aurora Healthcare, Hartford

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

- Since 2008, The HSUS has worked with Wisconsin law enforcement to rescue over 500 animals from illegal animal cruelty, and has worked with other agencies to set up emergency animal sheltering and care.
- At the request of Wisconsin Federated Humane Societies, The HSUS conducted an undercover investigation of a puppy mill broker/deceptive rescue called "Thyme and Sage Ranch" in Cazenovia. The HSUS worked with the Richland County District Attorney to assemble evidence for the search warrant and with the sheriff's office to rescue 374 animals. Numerous dogs were suffering from extreme neglect; conditions on the property included live dogs caged with dead dogs. The HSUS deployed our Animal Rescue Team to assist with the raid and provided the animals with emergency veterinary care and emergency sheltering.