



We Are Their Voice Benefit Dinner

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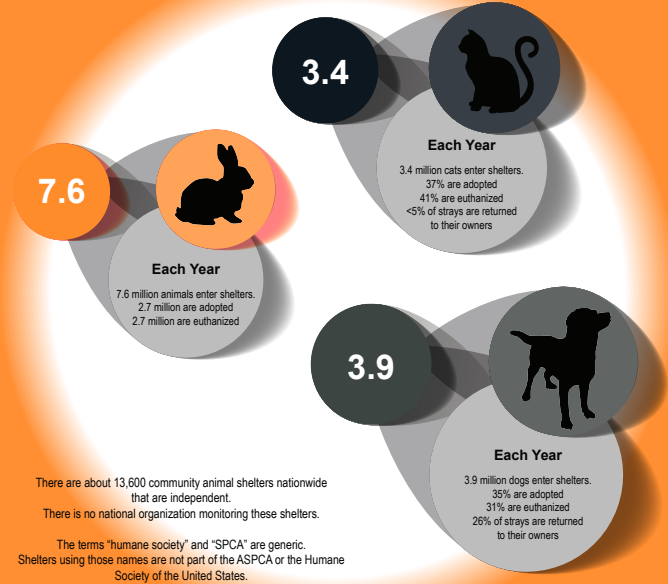


WE CAN'T SPEAK FOR OURSELVES



WILL YOU BE OUR VOICE? □

## U.S. Animal Shelters



## Facts about Pet Overpopulation in the U.S.

- It is impossible to determine how many stray dogs and cats live in the United States; estimates for cats alone range up to 70 million.
- The average number of litters a fertile cat produces is one to two a year; the average number of kittens is four to six per litter.
- The average number of litters a fertile dog produces is one a year; the average number of puppies is four to six.
- Owned cats and dogs generally live longer, healthier lives than strays.
- Many strays are lost pets who were not kept properly indoors or provided with identification.
- Only 10% of the animals received by shelters have been spayed or neutered, while 83% of pet dogs and 91% of pet cats are spayed or neutered.
- The cost of spaying or neutering a pet is less than the cost of raising puppies or kittens for a year.

## Facts about Pet Ownership in the U.S.

- It's estimated that 70-80 million dogs and 74-96 million cats are owned in the United States. Approximately 37-47% of all households in the United States have a dog, and 30-37% have a cat. (Source: APPA)
- According to the American Veterinary Medical Association, approximately 40% of pet owners learned about their pet through word of mouth.
- The majority of pets are obtained from acquaintances and family members. 28% of dogs are purchased from breeders, and 29% of cats and dogs are adopted from shelters and rescues.
- More than 35% of cats are acquired as strays. (Source: APPA)
- According to the American Humane Association, the most common reasons why people relinquish or give away their dogs is because their place of residence does not allow pets (29%), not enough time, divorce/death and behavior issues (10% each). The most common reasons for cats are that they were not allowed in the residence (21%) and allergies (11%).





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Please join our 1st annual  
**We Are Their Voice**  
benefit dinner.

To be held on  
**April 26, 2015**  
**6:00PM**

At the beautiful  
**Half Moon Lake Resort**  
29 Casey Rd, Pinedale, WY 82941

**Tickets:**  
\$60 Members  
\$75 Non-Members

**Mr. & Mrs. John Doe**  
**5327 Generic St.**  
**Pinedale, WY 82941**