

Home and Hope for our Animal Friends

The compassion of many local philanthropists extends to the care and welfare of our animal companions. Some have established funds, or designated estate gifts that provide refuge, food, and medical treatment for domestic animals and those rescued from the wild. Below are examples of how they direct their Legacies. We hope they inspire you to support their funds, or to establish your own animal welfare Legacy Fund for those who cannot speak for themselves, but who enrich our lives daily.

AARF Fund (All Animals Rescue Fund)

Established by Robert and Melanie Diehl of Oakland Township to provide support for domestic animal and wildlife rescue organizations.

Cindy L. Nye Memorial Fund

Established in memory of Cindy L. Nye to support animal welfare in NEPA.

Howard H. Kimball, Jr. & John Diaz Charitable Endowment

To support animal shelters and rehabilitation centers in the USA.

Kindred Spirits Feral Cat Program Fund

Established to assist with Kindred Spirits operation expenses.

Pet's Pantry

In 2021 June Wootton and her friends Rebecca Sullivan and Dr. Robert Sullivan established the Pet's Pantry, sponsored by the June and Earle Wootton Fund, as part of the monthly Food Pantry at South Montrose Community Church. Now every member of the family may access nutritious food.

True Friends Animal Welfare Center

Provides safe refuge and renewed hope for homeless pets while offering them a second chance at finding loving homes. They also work towards minimizing the overpopulation of homeless pets. In support of True Friends, Sylvia Glover Rivenburg of Hop Bottom, and Richard E Davis, Sr. of New Hope both kindly included \$100,000 donations in their estate plans to build the True Friends endowment.

Hope Felt from the Heart

June Wootton, pictured right, was one of the original volunteers at Camp Hope, a camp that helps kids recovering from the grief of losing a loved one. At age 80 and after 18 years, she is ready to give up sitting in the Healing Circles and playing games with the campers, but she still wants to help. She has requested the Community Foundation to make an annual grant from the June and Earle Wootton Fund to the camp. Her support will last perpetually, benefiting the organization that is so close to her heart.

