

# WALK SAVE ANIMALS Get Started with Fundraising

We're so thrilled to have you and your team on board for this year's Walk to Save Animals. We can't wait to see what your team accomplishes before November 1.

Your efforts have a direct impact on the lives of vulnerable animals in our community. Here's a few things to help set you and your team up for success:

#### **/** ) Start With Your Circle

Think about all your closest friends, family, co-workers and neighbors that you can invite to join your Walk team!

Make Your Team Special

Bring your team together by updating your personal walk pages and team page with pictures, stories, and team goals!

#### 3) Set Your Goal

Don't forget to set a fundraising goal for your whole team, and then create your own individual goals to help get there.

### 4) Share Your Story

Tell your story and how you are connected to AAWL. This will help connect your supporters to AAWL and hopefully get them to support your team through a donation or by registering for the Walk!



# Save lives and have fun with your pack

We are excited to share that we are launching a new incentive structure for fundraising! All our teams will get to compete for a chance to get VIP access at the Walk to Save Animals!

## How do you become a VIP?

Two fundraising teams will receive VIP access for the day of the Walk to Save Animals. All you have to do is be the team that either ....

Raises the Most Amount of Money

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**Collects the Highest Number of Donations** 

**Please note:** the cutoff for this fundraising incentive is Wednesday, October 29, however you can continue to collect donations through the the day of the walk!

## VIP Access Includes...



#### **Magic Yappy Hour**

Access to All Walk Experiences Starting at 7am From Our Coveted Lure Course to Santa Photos



#### **Refuel & Relax**

Chill in the VIP Lounge with Tasty Food and Lots of Seating to Take a Break from All the Action



#### **Bag Full of Swag & Goodies**

Receive a Bag Full of Goodies and Swag Items from our Sponsors



AND...

We will have fun monthly challenges leading up to November to help you become a VIP! Stay tuned for more details in our upcoming Walk emails.



### Make a Plan

## To Reach Your Goal

Making a plan will help you reach your fundraising goal! Here are a few suggestions on how to make it happen:

#### **Raise \$250**

	Ask 4 relatives for \$25 each 📂	\$100
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☐ Ask	5 friends	for \$10	each		\$50
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Ask 4 neighbors for \$10 each	\$40
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- 🔲 Ask 4 co-workers for \$10 each 📂 **\$40**
- Sponsor Yourself! \$20 Each 🖒 \$20

#### **Raise \$500**

Recruit 5 team members along with yourself to post about the fundraiser on their social media pages! Even just asking for \$5 donations to your page can add up quickly!

The price of just a morning coffee to...

Help Save Lives Like the Ones Below









Social media is one of the most powerful tools when it comes to fundraising! Here are some sample messages you can post on your social media!

#### Share That You Registered for the Walk to Save Animals:

I've registered for AAWL's Walk to Save Animals on November 1! I'm walking because **(REASON FOR WALKING)** and I'm asking for your support! Here is a link to my personal fundraising page, if you would like to make a donation or join my team: **(LINK)** 

#### **Throughout Your Fundraising Campaign:**

Every year, the Arizona Animal Welfare League saves the lives of 4,000 cats and dogs from across the state. I'm raising funds for AAWL that will directly support their life-saving programs. Visit my fundraising page for the Walk to Save Animals to learn more about my efforts and how you can help SAVE LIVES: **(LINK)** 

I'm halfway to my fundraising goal for AAWL's Walk to Save Animals! I'm at **\$XX** and there are **xx** weeks before the event. Will you help me reach my goal? Your donation will directly support AAWL's life-saving programs which allows them to save the lives of 4,000 cats and dogs every year.

It's only **(amount of time)** before AAWL's Walk to Save Animals! I'm so proud that my participation will make a difference in the lives of vulnerable animals across our state, especially during a time when shelters across the country are struggling with capacity issues. Please support my efforts and visit my personal fundraising page here -> **(LINK)** 





## Mark Your Calendar

## For the Big Day

November 1 is when we all come together to celebrate all that your teams accomplished during your months of fundraising and of course our pets! It truly is a day dedicated to our pets. Here's all the details you need to know leading up to the big day!

#### **Event Details:**

Saturday, November 1 8am - 12pm Tempe Beach Park

#### **Secure Your Shirt**

We have a limited supply of 1,500 t-shirts available. To ensure you get your preferred size, please pick your shirt at one of our T-shirt pick-up days that will be announced at **a later date**. Please note that while you will select a shirt size, specific sizes are not guaranteed at pick up.

#### **Parking Details**

Free parking for the event is available just south of Tempe Beach Park in the 201 S

Ash Garage.

This is the ONLY FREE parking garage in Tempe on Walk day. Another option is to take the light rail to downtown Tempe.

The Mill Ave/Third Street exit on the Light Rail drops you off just one block South of Tempe Beach Park.



**PLEASE NOTE:** When parking in the garage, you will need to take a ticket, but parking is FREE. The exits will be open when it is time for you to leave the event. The tickets are being issued so they can count how many vehicles enter the garage.



Passport Alert!

We're excited to be bring back our event passport for the Walk to Save Animals. Pick yours up at registration or at our main stage when you arrive and start collecting stamps! If you complete the challenge and drop your completed passport at our raffle tent, you will be entered to win a cool gift basket!



#### What is the Walk to Save Animals?

The Walk to Save Animals is celebrating its 27th year as "Arizona's best attended dog walk," benefitting Arizona's oldest and largest no-kill animal shelter, the Arizona Animal Welfare League. This annual event is AAWL's largest annual fundraiser, bringing together a community of people and pets to help raise funds for thousands of vulnerable animals throughout Arizona.

Not only is the Walk to Save Animals AAWL's largest annual fundraiser, but it's also communityfocused event that is full of family-friendly experiences and a variety of pet resources,

#### How are funds raised from the Walk used?

All funds raised at the Walk to Save Animals go directly to support AAWL's life-saving programs, including pet adoptions, behavior training, and low-cost vet care to our community.

#### What should I expect the day of the Walk?

This event is so much more than a 2k/5k walk! We have so many different activities and booths to check out for the whole family! Follow along at @aawlphx as we tease all the fun things we have planned for the big day.

#### What if I can't pick up my shirt on the scheduled t-shirt pick up dates?

If you registered early and want to make sure you receive your shirt but aren't available on the designated pick up dates, email walk@aawl.org. We can put a shirt aside for you at our main shelter front lobby for you to pick up during the week leading up to the Walk.

#### Other Facts about AAWL....

- Saves the lives of 4,000 cats and dogs every year, and events like the Walk to Save Animals helps us continue doing this life-saving work!
- Offers affordable wellness checks and vaccines to pet owners through our low-cost community vet clinic.
- Partners with smaller rural rescues and shelters across Arizona to bring animals back to our shelter in Phoenix to find their forever homes.

