



An introduction to SPCA





Who are we?

What do the letters **S.P.C.A** stand for?



Society for the **Prevention** of **Cruelty** to Animals



What animals?



SPCA

SPCA does everything it can to ensure all **animals** throughout New Zealand are being looked after.



The SPCA in New Zealand



There are now 40 SPCA Centres across New Zealand, providing help to animals and owners 24 hours a day, seven days a week.







What do we do...

SPCA works with the community to help protect animals in 6 key ways:



- Prevent Cruelty
- Educate & Engage
- Animal Rescue
- Rehabilitate
- Shelter, rehome & reunite
- Seek Justice



SPCA encourages the humane treatment of all animals and prevents cruelty being inflicted upon them.



SPCA rescues thousands of animals every year from harmful situations, attends hundreds of animal emergencies, and investigates thousands of complaints about animal cruelty.



Why do animals come to the SPCA?



- Sick
- Abandoned
- Injured
- Lost
- People were cruel to them
- They no longer have a home







What happens when an animal arrives at the SPCA?

SPCA Animal Incoming Process Hospital



Scanned for a microchip Checked by a vet Medical care is given if it is needed



SPCA Animal Incoming Process Holding time



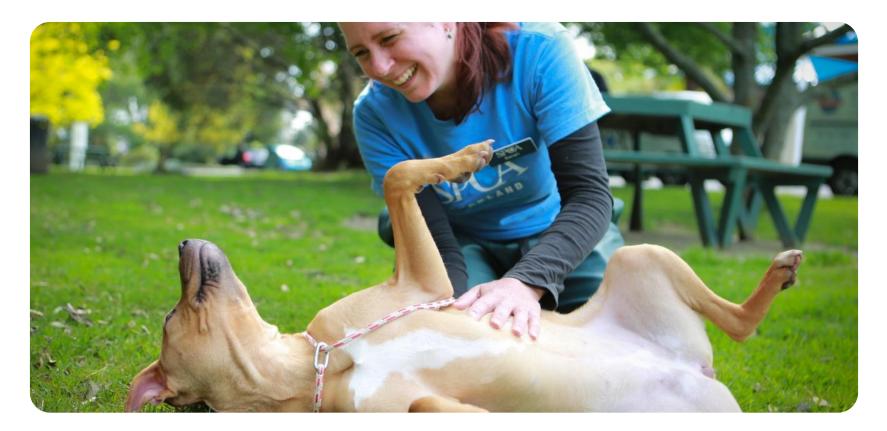


Stray time

Quarantine

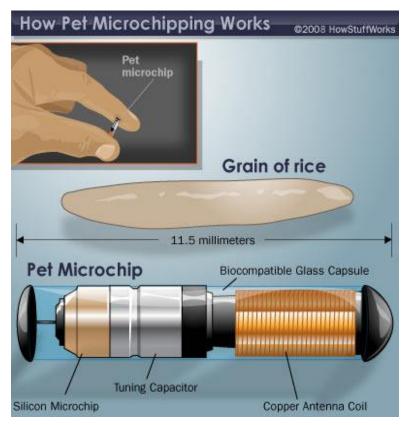


SPCA Animal Incoming Process Care – onsite or at a foster home





SPCA Animal Incoming Process Microchipping



A needle is inserted under the skin at the scruff of the neck, the microchip itself enters under the skin through the middle of the needle.

All microchips carry a unique code which identifies your pet. The number is found by using a scanner; the number is then put into the computer on a national microchip database.



SPCA Animal Incoming Process Spay and Neuter



There are too many companion animals in NZ and not enough homes.

There are only so many homes for companion animals in NZ and sadly there are far too many animals and just not enough homes.

Every rabbit, puppy or kitten you allow your animals to breed, takes a place and the chance of life from an animal already waiting.



SPCA Animal Incoming Process Finding a forever home





Bright Eyes - before





Bright Eyes - after





Apollo - before







Apollo (renamed Archie) - after











Muffy – after





Each year, our 40 SPCA Centres care for nearly 40,000 animals (and those are just the ones that <u>enter</u> the animal shelter!)



Responsible animal guardianship could have prevented majority of those animals suffering and needing to be rescued by the SPCA.







What is responsible animal guardianship?

Responsible Animal Guardianship

Being a responsible animal guardian involves:

- The Five Domains
- Microchipping
- Spaying and neutering

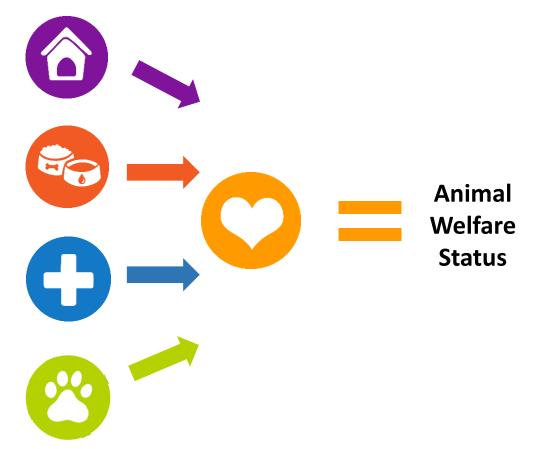
To name a few...





Animal Welfare

- Just like humans', animals' welfare includes physical and mental states.
- Anything which can affect these states has the potential to affect an animal's welfare, for good or bad.





The Five Domains

• The Five Domains are five groups of things animal guardians need to consider when thinking about good animal welfare.



Mental wellbeing (feelings)



The Five Domains

- The four domains of health, behaviour, nutrition and environment are the areas in which we, as animal guardians, can take positive action to ensure they are of a high standard.
- These domains all impact on the overall mental wellbeing (mental state) of an animal.







SPCA SPCA is a charity organisation

What is the definition of a charity?



- An organization set up to provide help and raise money for those in need.
- The voluntary giving of help, typically in the form of money, to those in need.



How can the SPCA afford to help so many animals?



We receive no direct government funding so we rely on:

- Volunteers
- SPCA Op Shops
- Donations
- Fundraisers
- Sponsorship



Where does the money go?

- \$25 will provide medical supplies such as antibiotics or bandages for one injured animal.
- \$50 will keep my Inspector van on the road for a day, responding to emergencies.
- \$100 will allow us to de-sex, vaccinate and microchip one cat. This will prevent hundreds of unwanted kittens from being born.
- \$150 will provide medical treatment and care for a litter of kittens and their mum until they are ready to find their new homes.
- \$500 will provide medical treatment and care for a litter of puppies and their mum until we are able to find them loving homes.
- \$1,000 will provide emergency surgical treatment to a severely injured animal to give them a chance to live.







How can you help?

How can you help?



- Spread the word
- Charity starts at home
- Spay & Neuter
- Microchip
- Fundraise
- Donate items
- Foster
- Adopt
- Volunteer



How can you help?

Make and donate enrichment for animals in need



Visit our Kids' Portal heaps of awesome enrichment item instructions <u>www.kids.spcaeducation.org.nz</u>











Check out our Kind Matters' Newsletter!

Each term, you can find a new issue of the SPCA Kids' Newsletter, Kind Matters Each issue features animalrelated stories, facts, activities, crafts, competitions, and much more!









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