

**Volunteering** is not the only way to support the **Animal Rescue Network's** mission.

There are several other ways to help abandoned and abused animals.

## MAKE A DONATION!

In support of the **Animal Rescue Network's** mission, you can make a donation for which you can receive a tax receipt. Your contribution will help us to continue our efforts of helping abandoned and abused animals. Please send your cheque payable to **Animal Rescue Network** to the address at the bottom of this page. You can also donate online through the [CanadaHelps Website](http://www.canadahelps.org).

Donating online is easy and you avoid paperwork, envelopes and stamps.

You can also donate items for garage sales or feline exhibitions, or even items for our shelter such as blankets, brushes and combs for grooming, carriers, dry or canned food, strong garbage bags, litter boxes of all sizes, etc.

For more information on how you can donate, visit our website at [www.animalrescuenetwork.org](http://www.animalrescuenetwork.org) under **Donations** or call us at 514-938-6215, select option 1 for donations and leave a message. Someone will contact you within a few days.

### Information on Donations:

- <http://www.animalrescuenetwork.org>  
Section *Donations*
- Phone: 514 938-6215, option 1 (Donations)
- E-mail: [reseausecoursanimal@hotmail.com](mailto:reseausecoursanimal@hotmail.com)



*The largest no-kill  
shelter for cats in Montreal*



## JOIN OUR TEAM



### **Animal Rescue Network**

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The **Animal Rescue Network** (A.R.N.) was founded in 1994 by Barbara Lisbona, who is still president of the organization.

Barbara started out as a volunteer for the S.P.C.A., but was quickly discouraged by the animal's low chances of being adopted. She started a foster home program and placed 700 cats and dogs from 1994 to 1995. Barbara left the S.P.C.A. with 35 cats that were to be euthanized. With the help of other S.P.C.A. volunteers and an apartment that was given to her, she founded the Animal Rescue Network.

The **Animal Rescue Network** is entirely run by volunteers, as it receives no government subsidies.

The **Animal Rescue Network** currently has over 150 volunteers covering the following functions : shelter maintenance, adoptions, foster homes, health care, volunteer training, communications, administration and fundraising. Together they cover four main activities :

1- **Animal shelter and foster homes:** The A.R.N. manages a no-kill shelter for cats, as well as a network of foster homes where abandoned cats and dogs are cared for.

2- **Animal rescue and sterilization:** The A.R.N. joins forces with the community to save animals that are neglected or abandoned by their owners and are at risk of freezing to death. All rescued animals are sterilized and vaccinated.

3- **Animal adoptions:** The A.R.N. organizes weekly adoption clinics in pet supply stores such as J.E. Mondou throughout the Montreal area as well as at its shelter to find permanent homes for its cats and dogs. Each adoption request is carefully studied in the best interest of the animals.

4- **Education and consultancy:** The A.R.N. offers advice to the general public on matters of medical and behavioural problems that some animal can experience.

## *Become a volunteer!*

*These are the main areas for volunteering:*

- 🐾 **Cat care:** Clean litter boxes, wash floors, change the water and feed, and give the cats some tender loving care.
- 🐾 **Medical emergencies:** Be available for emergency transportation of sick cats to the veterinarian.
- 🐾 **Shelter maintenance:** Ensure the shelter has all necessary supplies, such as food, litter and cleaning supplies. maintaining the electrical infrastructure, painting and carpentry are also part of managing the shelter.
- 🐾 **Fundraising:** Participate in our fundraising activities such as bazaars and hot dog sale, and help plan these events.
- 🐾 **Medical care for cats:** Give cats their medication and check their health. Coordinate visits to the veterinarian for sick cats, for sterilizations, vaccinations, etc.
- 🐾 **Adoptions/Foster homes:** Participate in adoption visits at the shelter as well as at our weekly adoption clinics at the shelter and in pet supply stores in Montreal.
- 🐾 **Transportation:** Help transport cats (to the veterinarian or to adoption clinics), donations of food and litter for the shelter, items for fundraising events, etc.
- 🐾 **Recruiting:** Help recruit new volunteers, answer calls from potential volunteers, give them information on the A.R.N. and orient them towards the appropriate area in which they can help. Members of the recruiting team also participate in the writing of an orientation manual for new volunteers.
- 🐾 **Communications:** Write, revise, translate or layout documents, install posters during special events, etc.



To volunteer or to get more information, please contact us by calling at 514 938-6215, and leaving a message on option 2. A member of our team will contact you within a few days.