



Winter 2019

Participate in one of our upcoming events!

Pints for Pets - May 1

Join us at [Springdale Barrel Room](#) for our kickoff event and raise a glass to support our programs.

Your registration benefits the MVMA Charities and you'll enjoy pizza, delicious craft beer (cash bar), and a chance to win awesome raffle prizes.



Space is limited so [grab your ticket](#) today! Can't join us? You can still [buy raffle tickets](#) or visit Springdale from May 1 - 5 and \$1/pint could benefit the Charity!



Metrowest K95K - June 9

Walk, Run, Have Fun!

Join us for a dog-friendly trail race and the Health and Fitness Fair featuring doggy demonstrations, pet-friendly vendors, and fun for your whole family. Raise money for the MVMA Charities and its animal welfare programs.

[CLICK HERE](#) to learn more and register and [follow us on Facebook](#) for updates.

Stray Animal Program

The MVMA Charities provides financial assistance for urgent and emergent care of non-owned, unwanted, and unclaimed stray animals. By creating partnerships between local Animal Control Officers and veterinarians, the MVMAC plays an important role in helping

these animals receive the medical care they need. Funds are made available to every town and city in Massachusetts.

2019 Q1 Activity

Number of Towns: 6

Number of Requests: 6

Total Amount Requested: \$2,604.87

Success Stories



A tiny, scared chihuahua was found running in and out of traffic at a busy intersection in Lowell. A Good Samaritan picked her up and kept her overnight. The dog was brought to animal control and was having seizures. The dog was diagnosed with Hydrocephalus. The dog weighed in at only 1.6lbs and was very lethargic. We named her Rosebud because of her size and her sweet nature. Animal control brought her to Bulger Animal Hospital because she needed 24/hour care to determine her status and her seizure patterns. Rosebud kept up a great spirit, was put in a foster home, and has amazed all by gaining weight, house training, and eating on her own. Rosebud now weighs

3.36lbs and is stable with her seizures. A very sweet girl who appreciate her second chance!

- Darleen Wood, Lowell Animal Control Officer

Read more **success stories** on our website!

Emergency & Disaster Programs

When a natural or man-made disaster strikes, both people and their animals are affected. In Massachusetts, funds from our programs benefit animals and their caregivers when they need it most. Our programs offer pet owners the peace of mind that first responders in their city or town will be prepared when emergencies arise.

Q1 Updates

Basic Animal Rescue Training (BART)



Teams of volunteer veterinary trainers continue their work to teach first responders across Massachusetts about basic life-saving skills to save animals in emergencies.

A training was held in early March in West Barnstable and at least 5 more have been scheduled in other communities.

Learn more about **BART** on our website and see more pictures of our trainings on [our Facebook page](#).

State of Massachusetts Animal Response Team (SMART)

The MVMA Charities has committed to continuing its support of SMART volunteers and their efforts to protect animals in Massachusetts. Many SMART members also donate their time to help with our effort to expand BART in Massachusetts and our two organizations share many of the same goals.



Planning for animals in disasters is the SMART thing to do.

Learn more about **SMART** on their website.

Please Keep the MVMA Charities in Your 2019 Giving Plan

Your gift of **any size** will help fund urgent veterinary care of abandoned and unowned animals through our **Stray Animal Program** and disaster preparedness and response through our **Emergency and Disaster Program**.

Easy: **Donate online** in one installment or monthly recurring gifts OR mail in **this form**.

Effective: 100% of your donation funds our programs, not overhead costs.

Essential: Help protect the lives of animals in Massachusetts.



THANK YOU!!

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