



Stopping Puppy Mills

Since 2006, we've rescued more than 10,000 puppy mill dogs, and we're persuading more people—and pet stores—to be part of the solution.

- Through our Breeder Surrender Fund, we helped 373 discarded puppy mill dogs. Our U.S. and Canadian rescue teams helped law enforcement remove dogs from horrific conditions.
- Our *101 Puppy Mills* report exposed some of the worst U.S. mills; several subsequently dropped their U.S. Department of Agriculture licenses or had them revoked.
- We helped pass 10 state laws and 19 local ordinances to crack down on puppy mills. We helped set standards of care in Minnesota, one of the biggest puppy mill states, brought more transparency to pet stores in Connecticut and Virginia, and assisted enforcement agencies in Ohio, Pennsylvania, Wisconsin and West Virginia.
- At our urging, the U.S. Department of Agriculture finalized a rule against importing young puppies from foreign puppy mills. We also defended the USDA's rule setting care standards for Internet puppy sellers.
- More than 2,200 stores have taken our puppy-friendly pet store pledge, and we helped six stores convert from selling puppies to offering shelter pets. Eleven stores have now converted as a result of this program, which includes transports from shelters with high euthanasia rates.



2,000 ANIMALS,
MOSTLY DOGS,
adopted through
Puppy-Friendly Pet Store
conversion program in
LESS THAN TWO YEARS