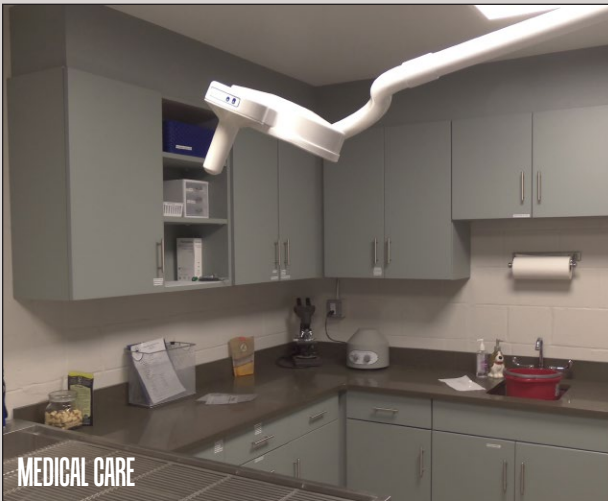


Mission Statement

Founded in 1965, Animal Welfare Society, Inc. (AWS) is an independent, nonprofit, non-destroy organization providing shelter, medical care, love, and attention to abandoned and neglected animals in Bridgewater, Brookfield, New Milford, Roxbury, and Washington, Connecticut.

As a 501(c)(3) nonprofit corporation, AWS relies on membership dues, donations, and fundraising events. AWS promotes public awareness of pet overpopulation through its spay/neuter program and provides community outreach through its volunteer, adoption, and education programs.



AWS ADOPTIONS

AWS has developed a philosophy of basing the determination of adoptability on temperament, rather than just retaining the younger animals, as was done earlier. Since the shelter opened its doors, its staff and volunteers have matched hundreds of dogs and cats yearly with fortunate families. Annual fundraising and educational events are ongoing.

Assistance/Information

Our staff can provide more information on including AWS in your estate planning and charitable giving.

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The material presented in this brochure is for informational purposes and is not legal advice. Tax rules are complex and changing. You and your family should review your plans for charitable giving with your attorney and your tax advisor to understand the income and estate tax implications. In addition to the charitable deduction, many costs and fees that must be paid for implementing your planned giving are deductible in calculating federal and state income and estate taxes.

Be a Part of the Animal Welfare Society Legacy



ANIMAL WELFARE SOCIETY
A Refuge Since 1965

Support Your Love of Animals Through Planned Giving

**LEAVE A LEGACY THAT PROVIDES CARE FOR ANIMALS
NOW AND IN THE YEARS TO COME**



Leave Your Legacy to the Animals that You Care So Deeply About

Whether doing estate planning, considering year-end giving, or honoring or remembering a beloved pet or person, you create the legacies of tomorrow today.

Each year, AWS has been the beneficiary of generous bequests and planned gifts. These contributions are the result of generosity of supporters like you who have made a life commitment to our mission. We are so grateful to these individuals and to those who will continue this legacy of caring.

Here are five possible options for you to consider.

Bequest by Will

Giving a bequest through your will is an easy and direct way to leave a legacy. You may name the Animal Welfare Society as a beneficiary in your will. You can state a certain dollar amount or choose to specify a percentage of your estate.

At your death, a charitable deduction will be available to your estate in calculating estate tax due.

Gift of Cash or Securities

An outright gift of cash or securities is the simplest way of making a gift to the Animal Welfare Society. With this type of direct gift, the IRS allows you to take a charitable deduction equal to the gift's fair market value on the date you made the gift.

Life Insurance Policies

If you have life insurance that you no longer need to protect you or your family, you may gift the policy to the Animal Welfare Society. By making the Society the owner and irrevocable beneficiary of the policy, you may achieve income tax savings.

Retirement Plan Assets

Many people have retirement accounts. Withdrawals from these accounts are often fully taxable. Estate and income taxes can further reduce the post-lifetime balance.

You may avoid some of these taxes by naming the Animal Welfare Society a primary or contingent beneficiary on all or a portion of your accounts.

Charitable Trusts

Consider establishing a charitable trust. In doing so, your assets will provide a steady stream of payments to you, with the trust assets transferred to the Animal Welfare Society at your death or at any earlier time you specify.

These trusts can provide an immediate income tax deduction. If you fund the trust with appreciated assets, you may avoid capital gains tax on the appreciation and your estate taxes may be reduced.

“Does your employer have a workplace giving program?”

If so, remember to include AWS in your mix of charitable giving.