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The Petco Foundation Invests In Lifesaving Work of Woods Humane Society. Grant of \$10,000 will extend efforts to save more animal lives in San Luis Obispo County

(SLO, CA, 2/1/17) Woods Humane Society has received a generous grant of \$10,000 from the Petco Foundation to support the shelter's rapidly growing adoption program. This grant supplies much needed financial support to offset the costs of preparing displaced dogs and cats for adoption, such as spay/neuter surgeries, veterinary care, and microchipping.

Woods Humane Society is experiencing a surge in adoptions over the past few years. The shelter placed nearly 1600 dogs and cats into loving homes in 2015 and nearly 1800 dogs and cats were adopted last year. The Petco Foundation investment allows Woods Humane Society to maintain our adoption rate while supporting the shelter's intake programs so that more animals can find forever homes.

"We are deeply grateful to the Petco Foundation for so generously supporting our efforts to save more lives," said Jill Tucker, Executive Director.

The Petco Foundation has generously supported the lifesaving work at Woods Humane Society, granting a cumulative \$40,000 since 2003. For more information about Woods Humane Society or the Petco Foundation, visit www.woodshumane.org or www.petcofoundation.org. Join the conversation on Facebook, Twitter, and Instagram or by using the hashtag #Petcofoundation.

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About Woods Humane Society

Founded in 1955, Woods Humane Society has proudly served the homeless animals of San Luis Obispo County for 62 years. Woods Humane Society is a privately funded, non-profit, animal sheltering and welfare organization, based in San Luis Obispo that annually places over 1,500 dogs and cats into loving homes. Visit woodshumane.org to donate or learn more.

About Petco Foundation

At the Petco Foundation, we believe that every animal deserves to live its best life. Since 1999, we've invested more than \$175 million in lifesaving animal welfare work to make that happen. With our more than 4,000 animal welfare partners, we inspire and empower communities to make a difference by investing in adoption and medical care programs, spay and neuter services, pet cancer research, service and therapy animals, and numerous other lifesaving initiatives. Through our Think Adoption First program, we partner with Petco stores and animal welfare organizations across the country to increase pet adoptions. So far, we've helped more than 5 million pets find their new loving families, and we're just getting started. Visit <http://www.petcofoundation.org> to learn more about how you can get involved.