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**Petco Foundation Invests in Lifesaving Work of the Atlanta Humane Society**
Grant of $80,000 will extend efforts to save more animal lives in Atlanta

*Atlanta, Georgia* – The Atlanta Humane Society has announced it has been awarded an $80,000 grant from the Petco Foundation to support its Shelter Medicine Program.

The Petco Foundation investment will help to provide 300 shelter animals with approximately four types of services each, including spay and neuter surgeries, medical care, age-appropriate vaccinations, and microchips.

AHS’ Shelter Medicine Team provides services ranging from standard care, like administering vaccines and dental care to specialized surgeries for broken bones. AHS has expanded its Shelter Medicine Program to care for complex medical cases, like highly contagious Parvovirus and ringworm.

“This support from the Petco Foundation means that 300 lives will be saved through our Shelter Medicine Program.” said Cal Morgan, President and CEO of the Atlanta Humane Society. “Making a lifesaving impact requires the support of our community and the support of organizations who care like the Petco Foundation.”

For more information about the Atlanta Humane Society visit atlantahumane.org. For more on the Petco Foundation, visit www.petcofoundation.org and join the conversation on Facebook, Twitter and Instagram by using the hashtag #PetcoFamily.

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**About the Atlanta Humane Society**
The Atlanta Humane Society is the oldest private charitable organization in Atlanta, founded in 1873. Each year, more than 30,000 animals are served by the Atlanta Humane Society through programs and services such as spay/neuter, adoption, and veterinary care. It is the mission of the Atlanta Humane Society to prevent neglect, abuse, cruelty and exploitation of animals and to assure that their interests and well-being are fully, effectively and humanely protected by an aware and caring society. For more, visit atlantahumane.org.

**About the Petco Foundation**
At the Petco Foundation, we believe that every animal deserves to live its best life. Since 1999, we’ve invested more than $250 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 six million pets find their new loving families, and we’re just getting started. Visit petcofoundation.org to learn more about how you can get involved.