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Petco Foundation Invests in Lifesaving Work of the Atlanta Humane Society
Grant of $18,000 will extend efforts to save more animal lives in Atlanta

Atlanta, Georgia – The Atlanta Humane Society has announced it has been awarded an $18,000 grant from the Petco Foundation to support its adoption preparation services including their Shelter Medicine Program.

The Petco Foundation investment will help to provide homeless animals with approximately four types of services: spay and neuter surgery, medical care, age-appropriate vaccinations, and microchips.

The Atlanta Humane Society’s Shelter Medicine Team administers each animal with a personalized medical plan. Funds from this grant will help animals like Misty who came to the Atlanta Humane Society in the midst of the COVID-19 pandemic.

Misty’s skin was red and inflamed. She had patches of scabs and had been living for years without proper veterinary care. Her nails had grown so long, they were digging into her paw pads. Thanks to the support of the Petco Foundation, the Atlanta Humane Society is able to take in animals like Misty and provide her the soothing care she needed, a loving foster home to help her heal, and a loving home.
“Thanks to the Petco Foundation, we’ll be able to care for even more animals in need here in Atlanta”, said Cal Morgan, President and CEO of the Atlanta Humane Society. “Without their continued support, we wouldn’t be able to save these lives and provide animals with the loving care they need to be ready to find their forever homes.”

For more information about the Atlanta Humane Society visit atlantahumane.org. For more on the Petco Foundation, visit 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 $280 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 6.5 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.