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Dear Friend of the Animals,

When you take a look at the enclosed **Fund for Animals Animal Footprint Shoelaces**, I hope you see more than just a new pair of shoelaces for your favorite shoes... I do. What I see is your name associated with one of the leading animal rescue, rehabilitation and care organizations in the United States... The Fund for Animals.

Our late, great founder, Cleveland Amory, had a dream of a special place for animals – not a place where animals are primarily to be looked at, but rather a place where they are primarily to be looked after.

For over 40 years, we have been able to help protect and save animals from unspeakable cruelty and abuse and give them a home where they can live out the rest of their lives in peace and tranquility.

With The Fund, you can rest assured that your gift and membership support are funding important programs, like our animal care centers across the country and vital litigation and advocacy work.

Your new membership support will allow us to keep Cleveland Amory's dream alive: the dream of a special place for animals – a place where animals are looked after, not looked at.

This dream is fulfilled every day at our Cleveland Amory Black Beauty Ranch, thanks to loyal friends like you. Our life-saving work, supported by good people like you, is benefiting not only the animals of the Cleveland Amory Black Beauty Ranch, but our other animal care facilities as well.

Like our **Duchess Sanctuary**, a 1,120-acre horse sanctuary where almost 200 once abused, exploited, neglected and homeless horses are given a safe haven to recover from their ordeals, forever free from the threat of further abuse.

The equine residents include mares who were victims of the PMU (Pregnant Mare Urine) industry, mustangs rescued from public lands, and many other horses saved from abuse, neglect, abandonment, or slaughter. They all receive lifetime care at our Duchess Sanctuary, enjoying their days in the rolling hills they share with western Oregon's native wildlife.

Horses like Captain and Anna, who were rescued this past summer from Nevada. The Nevada Department of Agriculture seized them due to severe neglect. Captain and Anna were left to starve by an owner who could no longer afford, or chose not to, feed or care for them.

Despite their rescue, their lives were still in peril. They were taken to a holding facility in Carson City, where they were then scheduled to go to auction, where it is almost certain they would have been purchased by a kill buyer and sent to slaughter.

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That is when horse advocates from around the region began to collaborate to save them and the horses were taken to our Duchess Sanctuary by Wild West Horse Transport.



Captain when he first arrived at our Duchess Sanctuary.

When the pair arrived at our Sanctuary, staff evaluated their health and condition on a scale that ranges from 1 to 9 – where 1 means emaciated to almost the point of death – and Captain was a 2! He was dangerously thin, with sores on his hips and other body parts normally protected by a layer of fat.

Duchess director of operations Jennifer Kunz recalls their arrival: “To watch them step off the trailer was very emotional. Even though we knew they were in good hands being transported by Wild West Horse Transport, it was obvious that they had been saved from terrible circumstances. With a body condition score of barely two, Captain had us holding back tears.”

Although Anna was not gravely underweight, she had obviously still suffered, and had scars on her legs, fungus on her back and a swollen knee.

Both of them are estimated to be at least 20 years old, and along with the lack of food, they’d had no farrier care in months.

The bond between the two horses was obvious and heartwarming. Although they kept their eyes on each other, when the two arrived at their quarantine pen, Captain walked around a few times, then dropped down in the big pile of shavings for a lengthy roll. Anna headed straight for the feed and stayed there for a week straight.

Then the transformation began. A lengthy grooming session removed a lot of old hair and layers of dirt, but drove home the point about the severity of starvation as brushes bounced along bones normally not felt, let alone seen.

Luckily they have good appetites, but because we assume neither horse has had dental attention in quite some time, we are offering them soaked feed four times per day along with good quality hay.

We provided them with fly spray and fly masks to make them more comfortable in the summer heat. Deep layers of bedding in a generously sized shelter provided a comfortable place for them to rest and recover.

Their long, cracked, neglected feet finally got some attention once both settled and were stable enough to stand for foot trimming. They have now had dental work and full veterinary evaluations. Since their arrival both have been bathed, had multiple foot trims, been dewormed for parasites, and had blankets fitted for the upcoming winter.

Captain and Anna’s suffering is over. They have found safety at Duchess Sanctuary, where they will take the long road of recovery to the healthy, shiny horses they are meant to be.



Captain looking much better after having been in our care.

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Thanks to good people like you, Captain and Anna will never again know the suffering they once had to endure.

Similar successes are occurring at our 13-acre **Fund for Animals Wildlife Center** in San Diego, that cares for and shelters former exotic pets as well as native wildlife who are injured, ill or orphaned, such as coyotes, mountain lions, hawks, and eagles. The animals receive care from rehabilitators and follow special diets that promote healing. Once the injured animals are healthy enough to live on their own, they are released back into their habitat to live freely.

Like a young emaciated bobcat who was brought to The Fund for Animals Wildlife Center after a couple in San Diego County, whose home borders the Cleveland National Forest, called for help.

The couple saw the bobcat on their property but they didn't think much of it. When your backyard is a national forest, seeing wildlife is nothing new. But when they noticed that he was acting strangely – not running off when they approached and when he did run, it was with a severe limp, they knew something was wrong.

After easily trapping the weakened cat, it was clear something was very wrong. He was severely underweight, weighing less than nine pounds – half the weight of an adult bobcat – and also appeared to be limping on one of his legs.

Once he arrived at our Wildlife Center and was evaluated by our veterinarians, it was determined he had an old fracture in his leg that never healed properly. Although he had full mobility in the leg, his weakened state was making the pain worse, ultimately limiting his ability to hunt.

In addition, his blood work and other diagnostics showed a high-level of intestinal parasites. Our staff immediately began treatment to rid him of the parasites and to put some much needed weight on his bones.

In order to ensure that the bobcat remained wild, and did not become used to human interaction, he was kept in an enclosure where he was only seen by staff once a day to feed him and clean the enclosure.



Bobcat released back into his familiar surroundings.

After about four weeks of treatment, the cat was ready to be released back out into the wild. As he was transported to the release site, his enthusiasm to get away from people was evident as he snarled and lunged at the staff through his crate.

The couple who originally found him were happy to have him released back onto their property, which was good news for the bobcat. Not only was he familiar with the territory, but the national forest that borders their home has lots of open land for him to roam and food for him to hunt, now that he's back to a healthy fighting weight of 14 pounds.

These centers, as well as our Cape Wildlife Center in Massachusetts, which cares for nearly 2,000 imperiled animals each year and trains veterinary students from around the globe, plus all our other life-saving programs, exist thanks to the generosity of animal lovers like you, kind people who make financial contributions so that we can offer sanctuary and rehabilitation to as many animals as possible.

I hope my letter has touched your heart and you will support The Fund for Animals today. Your generous gift of \$8, \$12, \$15 or even \$25 will help us continue to be steadfast in our efforts to rescue,

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rehabilitate, build and enhance animal habitats, provide constant care for the animals and fight for animal welfare through our vital litigation and advocacy work.

I hope you'll help us to provide happy endings for many animals who are suffering right now and need our help. Please send your new membership gift today.

Please join us as a voice for those who can't speak for themselves.



Sincerely,



Michael Markarian
President

P.S. Any gift you can send right now will be greatly appreciated. However, a gift of \$8, \$12, \$15, \$25 or more will help us fund life-saving programs.

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Spay or neuter your pets to help reduce the number of homeless dogs and cats.

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