

About 2nd Chance 4 Pets

2nd Chance 4 Pets' mission is to protect our animal companions and prevent them from becoming orphaned due to their owner's death or disability. Our goal is to educate and inform the public about available solutions to pet owners and put a stop to unplanned, unwanted euthanasia of their pets.

Who we are

2nd Chance 4 Pets is a 501 (c) (3) non-profit organization staffed by volunteers and located in Los Gatos, California. We work throughout the state and across the nation to provide pet owners with comprehensive information about lifetime care solutions to ensure that their pets will always be cared for. We are committed to providing assistance to pet owners in making lifetime care decisions for their pets.

Based on the overwhelming response and requests for assistance we have received from pet owners, animal rescue groups, shelters, hospices and veterinarians, our programs have made a significant impact on preventing unnecessary euthanizing. We are providing pet owners with peace of mind while reducing the financial and emotional strain on already overburdened animal shelters and rescue organizations.

Background about euthanasia

In the United States, there are 4 to 5 million abandoned and orphaned pets euthanized each year. In California alone, 750,000 to one million dogs and cats are destroyed—costing the state's tax payers over \$50 million annually. More than 500,000 of those pets euthanized in the U.S. are because owners did not appropriately plan for the lifetime care of their pets.

2nd Chance 4 Pets: we can help

We are committed to providing you with the information you need to ensure your pets will always be cared for.

About our founder

As an 18-year animal shelter volunteer Amy Shever has been deeply affected by the many healthy animal companions euthanized each year simply because their owners had died or become disabled and left no arrangements for their continued care. Amy felt compelled to find a solution that would save these helpless animals from the same tragic misfortune— *2nd Chance 4 Pets* was the answer.

Amy is a founding member of *Tri-Valley Animal Rescue* in Pleasanton, California. She also founded *PetGuardian LLC* (www.petguardian.com), an affiliate of *Best Friends Animal Society*, which provides affordable and comprehensive estate planning for pet owners. Amy holds a Bachelor's in Marketing and Communication and a Master's in Education and Training. Her most profound education has come from her animal-filled life.