



## News Release

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### **2<sup>nd</sup> Chance 4 Pets Volunteer Selected for PetSmart Charities' Grant Writing Seminar**

Los Gatos, CA (July 5, 2007) 2<sup>nd</sup> Chance 4 Pets' volunteer Kathryn Shewey was selected to participate in the 2007 PetSmart Charities' grant writing seminar series. Ten participants, each representing nonprofit animal welfare organizations across the U.S., were selected by PetSmart Charities to participate in a special series of instructional webinars in an effort to define their organization's funding needs, conduct research on appropriate funders, and complete a full grant proposal for their organizations.

"Kathryn's participation in the PetSmart Charities' seminar series will significantly assist in our work to secure funding for our *Veterinarian Outreach Program*," said Amy Shever, Director of 2<sup>nd</sup> Chance 4 Pets, "We'll be able to create and utilize a fundraising 'template', which will streamline our process of applying for grants, and improve our chances of success in a very competitive environment."

Shewey of Glen Allen, Virginia, began volunteering with 2<sup>nd</sup> Chance 4 Pets in 2006. She has contributed her skills to numerous projects for the organization, including a grant research project where she managed more than 10 other virtual volunteers who completed more than 100 volunteer hours.

#### **About 2<sup>nd</sup> Chance 4 Pets:**

The mission of 2<sup>nd</sup> Chance 4 Pets is to reduce the number of pets unnecessarily euthanized each year due to the death or incapacity of the human companions who care for them. 2<sup>nd</sup> Chance 4 Pets is a nonprofit, 501(c)(3) all-volunteer organization. The organization works nationwide to provide pet owners with comprehensive information and lifetime care solutions for their pets. Please visit [www.2ndchance4pets.org](http://www.2ndchance4pets.org) for more information.

**About PetSmart Charities:**

PetSmart, Inc., established PetSmart Charities, Inc., in 1994 as a 501(c)(3) nonprofit organization committed to supporting animal welfare and animal adoption. The PetSmart Charities' mission is to improve the quality of life for all companion animals by creating and supporting programs that save the lives of homeless pets and to promote healthy relationships between people and pets. PetSmart Charities is assisting more than 3,400 animal welfare organizations to help pets throughout the United States and Canada. Whether it's adoption, spay/neuter, retention, emergency relief, or other unique programs that improve the quality of life for pets, PetSmart Charities is at the forefront of finding innovative solutions.