

HSVMA IN ACTION

2022 Year in Review

Humane Society Veterinary Medical Association's mission is to engage the expertise and compassion of the veterinary profession to advance animal welfare. We



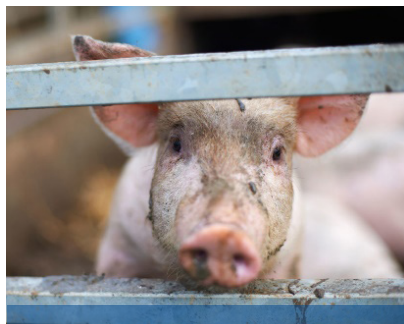
Efforts to ban cat declawing are gaining momentum across the US.
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are excited about the growing momentum we see from veterinarians, veterinary technicians and students to collaborate in our advocacy,

education and outreach efforts despite all the commitments and challenges facing the profession. We proudly share the highlights of our programs and outreach activities for 2022 including the substantial and successful contributions of so many of our HSVMA veterinary professional volunteers and members.

Advocacy in Action

- HSVMA activated more than 2,000 veterinary professionals to write, call, testify or provide expert veterinary input in support of animal welfare reforms aimed at eliminating the abuses associated with puppy mills,



Veterinarians joined with HSVMA to help defend Prop 12 in the Supreme Court.
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banning declawing, increasing protections for wildlife, improving farm animal welfare, ending the cruelties associated with horse slaughter and horse soring, and expanding access to care.

- We recruited nearly 400 veterinarians to sign an amicus brief to the Supreme Court in defense of Prop 12, the landmark California ballot measure that requires more humane housing standards for farm animals.
- We grew our HSVMA State Representative program to include 43 volunteer veterinarians representing HSVMA in 33 states and the District of Columbia.

Continuing Education in Welfare Topics

- We offered six live and 40+ archived CE webinars on timely animal welfare topics, with more than 2,000 attendees during 2022. Topics covered included equine rescue and rehabilitation, dog acquisition, environmental hazards and canine cancer risks, rabbit welfare, dog aging and feline obesity.

- HSVMA provided continuing education on a variety of shelter medicine, access to care, community medicine and animal welfare topics to 200+ veterinary professionals at Animal Care Expo 2022 in Orlando.



Equine welfare was the focus of an HSVMA CE webinar during 2022.
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Student Outreach

- We expanded our HSVMA Student Chapter and Representative program to 34 campuses, including schools in the United States as well as Canada and the United Kingdom.
- HSVMA hosted our 8th Annual Animal Welfare Symposium at the UC Davis School of Veterinary Medicine with students attending from six different veterinary schools.
- We awarded our 7th Annual Compassionate Care Scholarships to four veterinary students doing



Atlantic Veterinary College student Nima Morady was the first place winner of the 2022 Compassionate Care Scholarship for his work to increase access to care and help animals in need while in veterinary school.

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amazing work advocating for animal welfare and assisting animals in need.

- For the 12th year in a row, HSVMA provided grants to support World Spay Day clinics at five veterinary schools.
- Through our HSVMA Speakers Bureau, we hosted 42 presentations on veterinary school

campuses reaching approximately 1,200 veterinary students with a variety of animal welfare topics not typically covered in veterinary school curricula.

Member Benefits

A key benefit of HSVMA membership is knowing you are supporting a leadership role for veterinary professionals in the animal protection movement. HSVMA also provides a variety of membership benefits that are designed to directly help you in your professional career.

- Free RACE-approved continuing education through the HSVMA webinar series. There are six live webinars per year and 40+ are archived and available for viewing.
- Professional liability insurance and disability insurance through our insurance partners.

- Free copy of the HSVMA Wildlife Care Basics for Veterinary Hospitals handbook.

- Subscription to HSVMA's monthly e-newsletter.

- Discounts on animal welfare resources through Wiley-Blackwell, CABI Publishing and Trafalgar Square Books.



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