



## PROGRAMS & SERVICES

The **Animal Rescue League of Boston** offers programs and services benefiting animals in need and the people that care about them.



### ANIMAL CARE & ADOPTION

Animal Care and Adoption services include intake and surrender, shelter and care, behavioral assessment, enrichment, and adoption. These services are offered at three centers located in **Boston, Dedham, and Brewster**. The Boston center also offers public **Dog Training** courses.



### LAW ENFORCEMENT

Law Enforcement investigates crimes against animal cruelty, abuse, and neglect. ARL employs **Special State Police Officers**, with the authority to enforce animal cruelty and neglect laws. These officers work closely with local, state, and federal law enforcement agencies, prosecutors, and animal control officers throughout the Commonwealth.



### RESCUE SERVICES

Rescue Services is the only one part of a humane organization in Massachusetts to provide emergency assistance to injured wildlife, livestock, and domestic pets in distress. Rescue agents are technically trained in a host of skills including: tree climbing, swift water, and ice rescue.



### COMMUNITY AND SHELTER MEDICINE

**Community Veterinary Services** serves animals and people in the communities where they live.

- The **Spay Waggin'**, a mobile veterinary surgical unit, provides low cost spay and neuter services in Southeastern Massachusetts, Cape Cod, and the Islands.
- The **Community Surgical Clinic** provides both veterinary and surgical services twice weekly at our Dedham campus, including the *Community Cat Initiative*.
- The **Pet Wellness Clinic - Codman Square** is a weekly clinic for local residents and their pets.

**Shelter Veterinary Services** provides comprehensive veterinary services for all Animal Care and Adoption Centers, and forensic assessment related to law enforcement investigations.



## COMMUNITY PROGRAMS

**The Community Cat Initiative** addresses the estimated 700,000 “community cats” (feral, semi-feral and outdoor cats) unowned and living in harsh weather conditions. A dedicated rescue agent assesses a colony of cats and formulates TNR (Trap-Neuter-Return) plans. Cats also receive veterinary treatment and are evaluated for sociability and adoption potential.

**The Healthy Animals—Healthy Communities Initiative** in Codman Square works to improve the welfare of animals and deepen the understanding of the human-animal bond and its connections with individual and community health, through partnerships with local organizations in Dorchester. The initiative includes community-based pet education and animal care services.



## BOSTON VETERINARY CARE

Boston Veterinary Care (BVC) provides a full range of high-quality outpatient services to pet owner in Greater Boston. Services include wellness examinations, surgery, dental care, senior pet care, advanced diagnostics, and imaging. All profits from BVC support the programs of the Animal Rescue League of Boston.



## ADVOCACY

ARL seeks to make long-term gains for animals by advocating for humane laws, policies, and regulations. ARL engages dedicated staff and volunteers to draft and advocate for legislation and policy with local, state, and federal government.



## VOLUNTEER ENGAGEMENT

Volunteer Engagement recruits and supports over 500 volunteers and nearly 200 foster families who contribute more than 26,000 hours of service each year. Volunteers provide critical support for animal enrichment, and socialization; as well as advocacy, administration, and customer service roles.

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