## April Is Prevention of Cruelty to Animals Month!

Even though ASPCA works to prevent cruelty to animals all year long, April is special at the ASPCA because it is officially Prevention of Cruelty to Animals Month! Every year, they ask supporters to celebrate this month by helping them raise awareness about important issues facing animals—and we hope that you'll join in! They have come up with some exciting ways you can get involved and make a difference all month long:

Start a Fundraising Campaign
Create a personal ASPCA fundraising page for an important event in your life and share it with your friends and family. Whether you donate your birthday, honor the memory of a beloved pet or decide to run a 5k with Team ASPCA, the money you raise can make a big difference for animals in need nationwide.

Commemorate Dog Fighting Awareness
Tuesday, April 8, marks the second annual National
Dog Fighting Awareness Day. The ASPCA designated
this day to advance the conversation about dog
fighting and to encourage animal-lovers across the
country to take action against this brutal form of
cruelty. This year, you can add your voice to the
cause by joining our <u>Get Tough campaign</u>.

## Help a Horse

If you love horses, please say "neigh!" They are gearing up for <u>ASPCA Help a Horse Day on Sunday</u>, <u>April 26</u>. You can join them in honoring our nation's horses by supporting the ASPCA and your local horse rescue in the <u>fight to end equine cruelty and neglect</u>, or by attending a Help a Horse Day event in your community.

Make Adoption Your First Option
Bringing a four-legged friend into your family?
Shelters have lovable dogs and cats of all shapes,
sizes and ages who are looking for a good home, so
please make adoption your first choice. Check out the
nationwide database of <u>dogs</u> and <u>cats</u> who are looking
for good homes.

Show Your Support Online
During April, use Your Facebook page, Twitter
account or blog to spread the word about Prevention
of Cruelty to Animals month—and be sure to tag
@ASPCA in your posts! If you don't already, follow
them on Facebook, Twitter, and Instagram. They can't
wait to spread the word about animals in need
nationwide all month long. Want to do more?

Here's the complete list of ways to help animals in celebration of Prevention of Cruelty to Animals Month.

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