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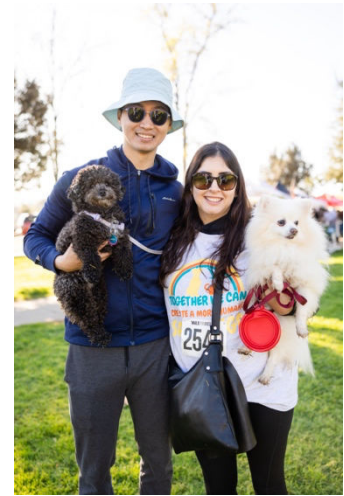
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San Diego Humane Society’s Walk for Animals – North County Returns March 21!

ESCONDIDO, CA — On Saturday, March 21, 2026, Kit Carson Park will transform into a sea of wagging tails and smiling faces for San Diego Humane Society’s [27th annual Walk for Animals – North County](#). This beloved tradition brings together thousands of pet lovers to raise critical funds for San Diego Humane Society’s lifesaving programs, including animal rescue, wildlife rehabilitation and essential community support.

“The Walk for Animals is more than just a stroll through the park, it is a powerful demonstration of our community’s commitment to animals in need,” said Dr. Gary Weitzman, president and CEO, San Diego Humane Society. “Every dollar raised helps us provide a second chance for homeless pets and injured wildlife across San Diego County.”



EVENT AT A GLANCE

- **What:** A scenic two-mile walk, pancake breakfast and “Vendor Village” featuring local pet businesses.
- **Highlights:** Live music, dog-friendly activities, blessing of the animals, warm-up and stretch.
- **When:** Saturday, March 21, 2026. Registration & breakfast 7 a.m.; Walk begins at 9 a.m.
- **Where:** Kit Carson Park, 3333 Bear Valley Parkway, Escondido, CA.

BE A HERO FOR ANIMALS:

Participants can join in person or fundraise from home to walk in their own neighborhoods. Register today, start a team or donate at sdwalkforanimals.org.

MEDIA OPPORTUNITIES:

- **Interviews:** Dr. Gary Weitzman, President & CEO and Nina Thompson, Director of PR.
- **Visuals:** Hundreds of dogs participating in activities, heartwarming “Blessing of the Animals” and adorable adoptable pets.

B-roll/photos from the Walk for Animals 2025 in North County for media use are available here:

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About San Diego Humane Society

San Diego Humane Society’s scope of social responsibility goes beyond adopting animals. We offer programs that strengthen the human-animal bond, prevent cruelty and neglect, provide medical care, educate the community and serve as a safety net for all pet families. Serving San Diego County since 1880, San Diego Humane Society has campuses in El Cajon, Escondido, Oceanside, Ramona and San Diego. For more information, please visit sdhumane.org.

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