

# FUNDING FOR ANIMAL WELFARE ORGANISATIONS

14 December, 2007

The Minister for Agriculture, Fisheries and Food, Mary Coughlan TD, today announced an increase of almost 25% in the overall level of funding being provided to organisations involved in the provision of animal care and welfare services throughout the country. Minister Coughlan also confirmed that the number of such organisations being supported by her Department was being increased by thirteen to 107, representing every county in the country.

Minister Coughlan announced that payments totalling some EUR1.46 million will be paid immediately to the 107 organisations to assist in their work in 2008 and brings the total amount of assistance provided by her Department to animal welfare organisations since 1995 to more than EUR8.65 million.

The Minister paid tribute to the animal welfare organisations and the thousands of voluntary workers throughout the country and said that *"these bodies do tremendous work in rescuing, rehabilitating and providing new homes to neglected and abused animals."* The Minister said that, while the grants being announced today do not cover the full costs of the increasing demands being placed upon these organisations, *"the substantial increase in the level of funding was in recognition of the vital role played by such organisations in animal welfare, particularly in respect of small animals" and acknowledged that "animal welfare organisations still require the ongoing generous financial support of the general public to enable them to fulfil their mission to promote animal welfare and relieve animal suffering in Ireland."*

The Minister said that the increase in funding for animal welfare organisations was evidence of the Government's commitment in the area of animal welfare. She added that significant progress was being made in her Department in drafting a new Animal Health and Welfare Bill which would deliver on the commitments in the Programme for Government, including making provision for the proper protection of the welfare of animals and a significant increase in the penalties for offenders as well as the consolidation of responsibility for the welfare of all animals within her Department.

Minister Coughlan said that, given her new fisheries' responsibilities, she was particularly pleased that among the first-time recipients of funding is the Irish Seal Sanctuary which has, for many years, been providing welfare support for rescued marine wildlife found in difficulty around the Irish coast.

In conclusion, the Minister repeated the old adage that *"a pet is for life, not just for Christmas."* Minister Coughlan appealed to parents and others to think responsibly when considering giving a pet as a Christmas present and reminded people of the numbers of animals that are abandoned every year as soon as the Christmas novelty has worn off. The Minister urged people to heed the warnings and advice offered by the animal welfare organisations in this regard.

## **GRANT ALLOCATIONS TO ANIMAL WELFARE ORGANISATIONS**

Ability Dogs, Co Cork 3,000

*Ability Dogs Limited/Colleens K9  
Cloghroe Blarney Co. Cork*

Animal Help Net Kerry 3,000

Animals In Need, Co Donegal 10,000

Animal Rescue Skibbereen, Co Cork 5,000

Animal Trust Fund, Co Sligo 5,000

ASH Animal Sanctuary, Wicklow 15,000  
<http://www.ashanimalrescue.com/>

Audrey Quinn, Edenderry, Co Offaly 3,000

Avalon Greyhound Sanctuary, Woodford, Co Galway 10,000  
<http://www.ameurogreyhoundalliance.org/avalon.html>

Bilberry Goat Heritage Trust, Waterford 3,000  
<http://archives.tcm.ie/waterfordnews/2007/09/07/story26613.asp>

Breda & Geraldine Carolan, Kells, Co Meath 3,000

Carlow SPCA 15,000  
<http://www.ispca.ie/members/carlow.html>

Cats Aid, Dublin 15,000  
<http://www.catsaid.org/>

Cavan SPCA 15,000  
<http://www.ispca.ie/members/cavan.html>

Clare Animal Welfare, Ennis 15,000  
<http://www.clareanimalwelfare.net/>

Clare SPCA, Clonoghan. 10,000  
<http://www.ispca.ie/members/clare.html>

Clifden Animal Rescue, Co Galway 3,000

Clondalkin Animal Aid, Dublin 10,000  
Tel: 4594018 / 4592514  
Email: [clondaa@hotmail.com](mailto:clondaa@hotmail.com)

Collon Animal Sanctuary, Louth 20,000  
*Ivy Cottage, Drogheda Road, Collon, Co.Louth.*  
Tel: 041 26749

Cork Animal Care Society 20,000  
<http://www.animalcaresociety.ie/>

Cork Cat Action Group 10,000

Cork Dog Action Welfare Group (DAWG) 3,000  
<http://www.dogactionwelfaregroup.ie/>

Cork SPCA 25,000  
<http://www.cspca.ie/>

Cottage Rescue, Co Tipperary 5,000  
<http://www.cottagerescue.ie/>

Cry for Help Cattery, Co Westmeath 5,000  
<http://www.therightdog.org/awolinks.htm>

Dog Rescue Ireland, Dublin 15,000  
<http://www.irishanimals.ie/dogs/10.html>

Dogs in Distress, Dunboyne, Co Meath 5,000  
<http://www.dogsindistress.org/>

Dogs Aid Animal Sanctuary, Dublin 5,000  
<http://www.dogsaid.ie/>

Donegal Pet Rescue 20,000  
<http://www.donegalpetrescue.com/>

Drogheda Animal Rescue, Co Louth 20,000  
<http://www.dar.ie/>

Dublin Animal Rescue Group 3,000  
<http://www.animalrescue.ie/>

Dublin SPCA, 100,000  
<http://www.dspca.ie/>

Dungarvan SPCA 15,000  
\* *Dungarvan Rescue Kennels*  
*Dungarvan, Co. Waterford.*  
Tel: 051 291106  
Email: [rescuekennelsdungarvan@iolfree.ie](mailto:rescuekennelsdungarvan@iolfree.ie)

East Galway Animal Rescue 3,000  
<http://www.egar.org/>

Enniscorthy SPCA 15,000  
<http://www.ispca.ie/members/wexford.html>

Florence O'Connor, Kerry 3,000

Friends of Animal Rescue Centre, Westmeath 20,000  
<http://www.friendsofanimalsmullingar.com/>

[http://www.friendsofanimalsmullingar.com/foa\\_2006\\_000013.htm](http://www.friendsofanimalsmullingar.com/foa_2006_000013.htm)

Galway SPCA 25,000  
<http://www.globaltiger.com/gspca/>

Glansillagh Animal Rescue, Co Cork 3,000  
*Sallybrook, Glanmire, Co. Cork*

Hillview Animal Sanctuary, Cork 10,000  
*Copeen, Kilmichael, Co. Cork*  
*Tel: 026 46376*

Inistioge Puppy Rescue, Co Kilkenny 10,000  
<http://www.inistiogepuppyrescue.com/>

Irish All Pure Bred Rescue, Tipperary 5,000

Irish Horse Protection League, Wicklow 10,000  
*Aldave Manor , Kilbride , BLESSINGTON , County Wicklow*  
*Ph: +353 1 582 460*

Irish Horse Welfare Trust, Wicklow 20,000  
<http://www.ihwt.ie/>

Irish Raptor Research Centre, Sligo 10,000  
<http://www.eaglesflying.com/>

Irish Seal Sanctuary, Co Dublin 10,000  
<http://www.irishsealsanctuary.ie/>

ISPCA, Longford 100,000  
<http://www.ispca.ie/members/longford.html>

Joan's A.R.C., Glengevlin, Co Cavan 5,000

Kerry SPCA 20,000  
<http://www.ispca.ie/members/kerry.html>

Kerry Greyhound Connection, Beaufort, Co Kerry 5,000  
<http://www.therightdog.org/awolinks.htm>

Kildare and West Wicklow SPCA 15,000

Kilkenny SPCA 10,000  
<http://www.ispca.ie/members/killkenny.html>

Kilmeady Lodge Animal Sanctuary, Co Cork 5,000  
<http://www.therightdog.org/awolinks.htm>

Laois SPCA 15,000  
<http://www.ispca.ie/members/laois.html>

Last Hope Animal Charity, Navan, Co Meath 5,000  
<http://www.lasthope.ie/>

Leitrim Animal Welfare Trust 25,000  
<http://homepage.eircom.net/~leitrimanimals/>

Leitrim SPCA 15,000  
<http://www.ispca.ie/members/leitrim.html>

Limerick Animal Welfare 20,000  
<http://www.limerickanimalwelfare.com/>

Limerick SPCA 15,000  
<http://www.ispca.ie/members/limerickspca.html>

Longford SPCA 20,000  
<http://www.ispca.ie/members/longford.html>

Louth SPCA 25,000  
<http://www.ispca.ie/members/louth.html>

MADRA, Co Galway 3,000

Mayo Animal Welfare, Westport 5,000  
<http://www.mayoanimalwelfare.org/>

Mayo Cat Rescue 3,000  
<http://www.irishanimals.ie/cats/11.html>

Mayo SPCA 10,000  
<http://www.ispca.ie/members/mayo.html>

Meath SPCA 20,000  
<http://www.irishanimals.com/spcas/22.html>

Monaghan SPCA 25,000  
<http://www.irishanimals.ie/dogs/31.html>

New Ross SPCA 15,000  
<http://www.ispca.ie/members/wexford.html>

North County Dublin SPCA 20,000  
<http://www.ispca.ie/members/dubinfo.html>

North West SPCA, Mayo 15,000  
<http://www.irishanimals.com/spcas/39.html>

North Wexford SPCA, Gorey 10,000  
<http://www.nwspca.com/>

Offaly SPCA 20,000  
<http://www.irishanimals.com/spcas/24.html>

PAWS Animal Rescue, Co Tipperary 25,000  
<http://www.paws.ie/>

Petwatch Co Ltd, Dublin 15,000  
<http://www.irishanimals.com/dogs/21.html>  
[132, RIALTO COTTAGES](#)  
[DOLPHINS BARN](#)  
[DUBLIN 8](#)

Renvyle Animal Rescue Group, Co Galway 3,000

Roscommon SPCA 10,000  
<http://www.ispca.ie/members/roscommon.html>

Roscrea SPCA 15,000  
<http://www.roscreaspca.com/>

Sathya Sai Sanctuary Trust for Nature, Sligo 10,000  
<http://www.donkeys.ie/>

Safe Haven, Co Offaly 5,000

Second Chance Animal Rescue (SCAR) Co Clare 3,000  
<http://www.secondchanceanimalrescue.net/>

Sligo Dog Welfare Services 5,000

Sligo SPCA 20,000  
<http://www.sspca.net/>

South East Birds of Prey Centre, Co Wexford 3,000  
<http://www.birds.ie/>

St Francis Animal Sanctuary, Co Sligo 3,000  
*Binnadden, Co. Sligo*

St Francis Dispensary for Sick and Injured Animals, Dublin 10,000  
<http://www.therightdog.org/awolinks.htm>

The Athlone & West Midlands SPCA, CO Westmeath 15,000  
<http://www.aspca.ie/>

The Cats Protection Association of Ireland, Dublin 20,000  
<http://www.ispca.ie/members/cpa.html>

The Daisy Fund, Kerry 10,000

The Donkey Sanctuary, Cork 50,000  
<http://www.thedonkeysanctuary.ie/>

The Equus Foundation, Co Kildare 3,000

The Inner City Cat Rescue Group, Dublin 3,000

The Irish Blue Cross, Dublin 40,000  
<http://www.bluecross.ie/>

The Sunset Appeal, Co Wexford 5,000  
<http://homepage.eircom.net/~sunsetappeal/index.htm>

The Tigger Trust, Kerry 5,000  
<http://www.tiggertrust.com/>

Tipperary Friends of Animals, Nenagh 15,000  
<http://www.ispca.ie/members/tipperary.html>

Tipperary SPCA 15,000  
<http://www.ispca.ie/members/tipperary.html>

Tralee Animal Welfare Group 10,000  
<http://www.therightdog.org/awolinks.htm>

Traveller Animal Welfare Help & Advice, Co Wicklow 3,000

Tryfanberg Animal Rescue, Westport, Co Mayo 3,000

Waterford SPCA 20,000  
<http://www.ispca.ie/members/waterford.html>

West Cork Animal Welfare Group 20,000  
<http://www.westcorkanimals.com/>

Westmeath SPCA 10,000  
<http://www.ispca.ie/members/westmeath.html>

Westown Animal Shelter, Kildare 10,000  
<http://www.therightdog.org/awolinks.htm>

Wexford SPCA 25,000  
<http://www.ispca.ie/members/wexford.html>

Wexford Pet Helpers, Enniscorthy 3,000

Whiskers New Park Animal Sanctuary, Co Galway 15,000  
<http://www.whiskersnewpark.org/>

Wicklow SPCA 25,000  
<http://www.irishanimals.com/spcas/32.html>

Wildlife Rescue, Co Cork 3,000

TOTAL 1,459,000

<http://www.agriculture.ie/index.jsp?file=pressrel/2006/244-2006.xml>

## *Other Websites That You May Find Useful*

### **Animal Rights Action Network**

<http://www.aran.ie/>

### **Alliance for Animal Rights**

<http://www.afaireland.org/index.html>

[Irish Animals.ie](http://www.irishanimals.com/all.html)

<http://www.irishanimals.com/all.html>

[Irish Animal Welfare Association](#)

[ISPCA](#)