

# Alberni-Clayoquot BC SPCA Community Update



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# About the BC SPCA

- Established in 1895 by provincial statute
- Covers the entire province of BC
- 490 staff and nearly 4,000 volunteers
- 80,000+ donors
- 45,000 animals cared for each year
- 9,000 cruelty investigations each year
- Registered charity
- No ongoing federal or provincial government funding



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# Our Mission and Vision

**MISSION:** To Protect and Enhance the Quality of Life for Domestic, Farm and Wild Animals in BC

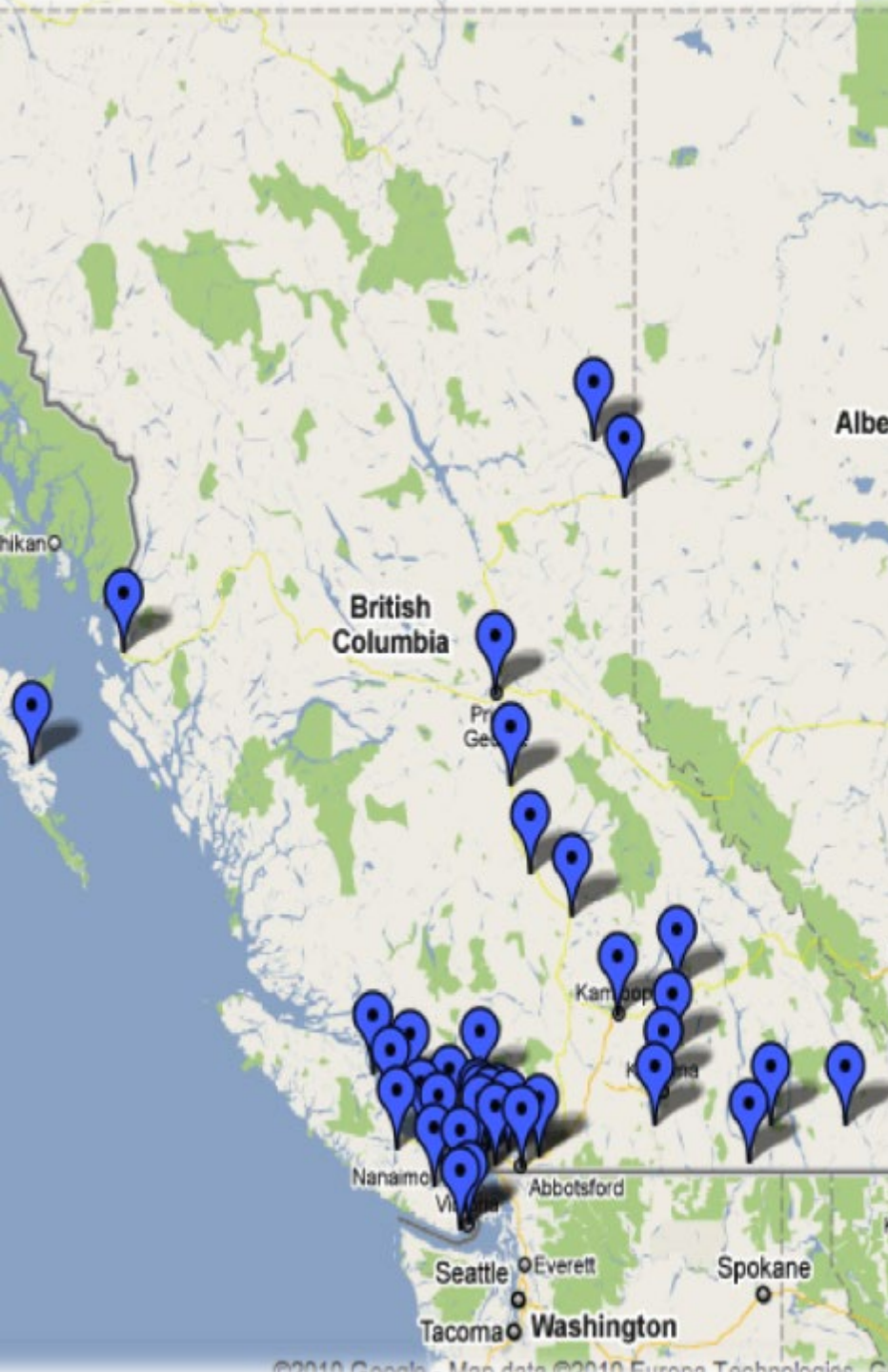
**VISION:** To inspire and mobilize society to create a world in which all animals enjoy as a minimum,

**five essential freedoms:**

1. Freedom from hunger and thirst
2. Freedom from pain, injury, and disease
3. Freedom from distress
4. Freedom from discomfort
5. Freedom to express behaviours that promote well-being



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# Our Organization Today

## FACILITIES:

- 29 community animal care centres
- 4 education & adoption centres
- 2 large animal seizure barns
- 2 volunteer-run branches
- 1 provincial call centre
- 10 satellite adoption locations
- 3 veterinary hospitals
- 2 spay/neuter clinics
- 1 wildlife rehab centre

## PROGRAMS:

- Cruelty investigations
- Behaviour & welfare
- Scientific programs: farm & wildlife welfare
- Advocacy & humane education

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## 2019-2023 Strategic Plan

- Extensive public & stakeholder consultation
  - Public survey of 7,000+ people
  - 16 in-person, telephone or webinar conversations with 227 participants



# 2019-2023 Strategic Plan

## PRIORITIES:

- **Protecting** animals from cruelty & neglect
- **Caring** for animals in the community & in our shelters
- **Inspiring** the public to take action for animals
- **Growing** our organization so we can do our best

# Animal Cruelty Law Enforcement

- **100% donor funded**
- 32 Special Provincial Constables across BC
- The BC SPCA responds to nearly 9,000 animal cruelty complaints each year
- Toll-free hotline to report an animal in distress

A close-up photograph of a human hand gently holding a light-colored dog's paw. The background is white, and the entire image is framed by a dark blue border.

**Report animal cruelty  
toll free in BC:  
1-855-622-7722**

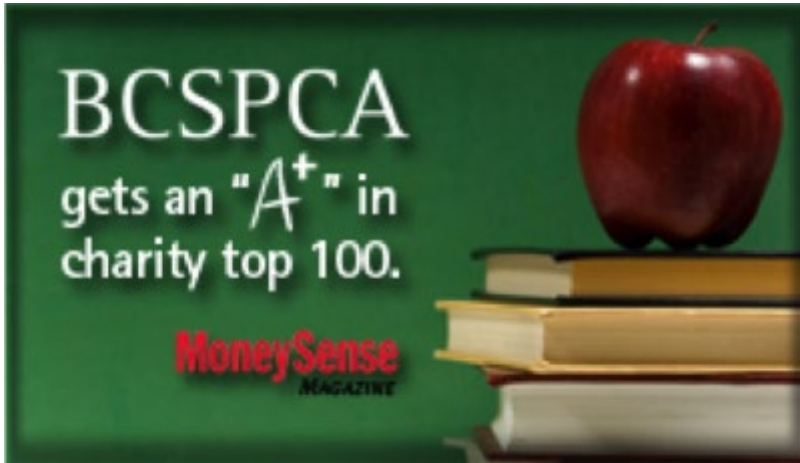
Learn more at [spca.bc.ca/cruelty](http://spca.bc.ca/cruelty)

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# A Top-ranked Canadian Charity



- "A+" rating in the *MoneySense* charity top 100 awards



- One of only 45 Canadian charities to receive Imagine Canada accreditation

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# BC SPCA and the Port Alberni Community



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# BC SPCA ALBERNI-CLAYOQUOT

In 2018:

- BC SPCA took in **210** dogs and puppies and **362** cats and kittens from Port Alberni region.
- Of **362** cats and kittens, **166** were surrendered by their owners and **196** were found as strays.
- Cat overpopulation is an issue across British Columbia – cats are domesticated pets, but often treated as if they are wild animals



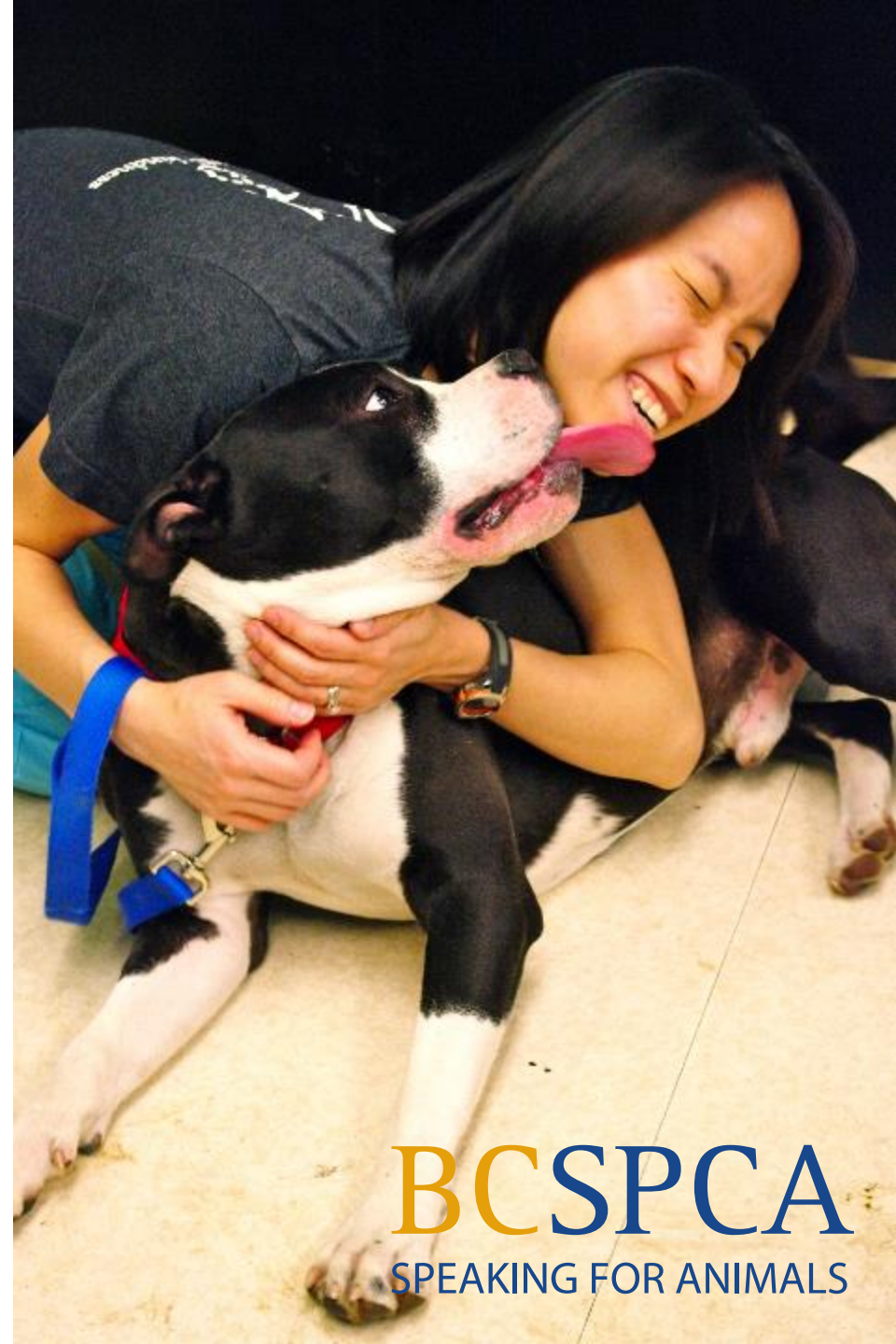
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# Staff and Volunteers

Our staff and volunteers work tirelessly to prevent animal cruelty, promote humane education, and ensure animals find homes.

We have:

- 5 full-time and 1 part-time staff
- 5 casuals
- 16 volunteers



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## Revenues

1. Adoption fees
2. Service fees
3. Donations

Total: **\$154,464.**

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## Costs

- Caring for an animal includes: spay/neuter, microchip, parasite treatment, medical care, sheltering and overhead (staff time for welfare monitoring, housing, feeding, accounting, PR, & fixed facility costs (heat, lights, vehicles))
- What it cost to run our shelter in 2018:  
Over **\$548,120**
- Cost of spay/neuter assistance program **\$40,365**
- Cost of cruelty investigations in Port Alberni and surrounding areas: Over **\$50,405**

# Community Services Offered

- Rehoming and providing care for stray and owner-surrendered domesticated animals
- Housing animals affected by animal cruelty/abuse
- Compassionate boarding of animals for victims of domestic abuse
- Spay/neuter education and assistance
- Humane youth education
- Adult education at community events
- Community food bank and collar exchange outreach



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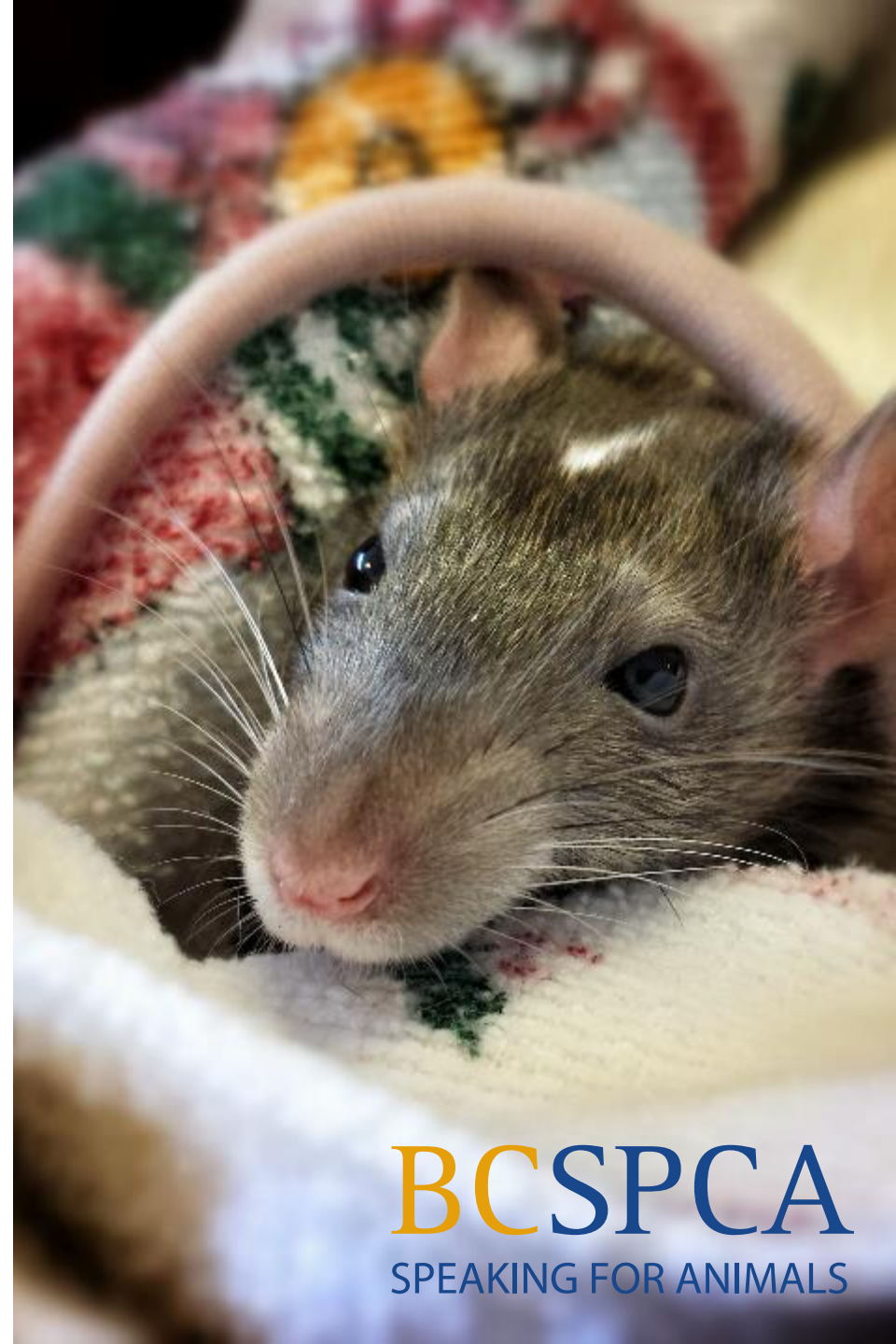


# Municipal Bylaws

The Model Animal Responsibility Bylaw is a 45-page document outlining bylaws that provide for public safety and humane treatment of animals.

## **The BC SPCA is available to provide expert advice on:**

1. Dangerous dogs
2. Animal control and pound operation
3. Exotic animals
4. Cat overpopulation
5. Animal licensing and identification
6. Urban wildlife management



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# Thank You

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