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## **San Diego Humane Society Chosen as a 2021 Nonprofit of the Year** *Organization Nominated by Assemblymember Brian Maienschein*

**San Diego** — San Diego Humane Society has been selected as a [2021 California Nonprofit of the Year](#) by Assemblymember Brian Maienschein. San Diego Humane Society is one of more than 100 nonprofits that will be honored by their state senators and assemblymembers for their tremendous contributions to the communities they serve.

San Diego Humane Society, an open-admission shelter, is creating a more humane world by inspiring compassion and advancing the welfare of animals and people. Their lifesaving safety net has helped San Diego become the largest city in the U.S. to keep healthy and treatable shelter animals from being euthanized. Caring for 50,000 animals each year, San Diego Humane Society is a private, independent, nonprofit organization that is not affiliated with any other humane society or society for the prevention of cruelty to animals.



“It’s so rewarding to see the impact that we’re making for our community being acknowledged by our legislative leaders and partners,” said Gary Weitzman, president and CEO of San Diego Humane Society. “To earn this recognition is truly an honor and we are deeply humbled to be recognized by Assemblymember Maienschein in this way.”

With campuses in El Cajon, Escondido, Oceanside, Ramona and San Diego, San Diego Humane Society provides animal services for 14 cities within San Diego County. They not only care for 50,000 animals in the region but also share their expertise about their innovative programs with shelters nationwide so they can save more lives in their communities.

**Photos and b-roll of San Diego Humane Society can be downloaded here: <https://bit.ly/2HVFpNy>**

**Suggested Tweet:** What an honor! @sdhumane was named Nonprofit of the Year by Assemblymember @BMaienschein. This award recognizes CA nonprofits for their tremendous contributions to the communities they serve. #CANonprofitofYear2021.

**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](http://sdhumane.org).

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