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SDHS President Deploys on Exploratory Trip To Help Ukrainian Pets

Gary Weitzman travels to Poland to provide vet care and identify how SDHS can assist.

SAN DIEGO — San Diego Humane Society President Gary Weitzman, DVM, has deployed to Przemyśl, Poland on a 10-day mission to provide veterinary care, help set up a border crossing veterinary clinic and make arrangements for additional San Diego Humane Society veterinarians and animal care staff to support pets impacted by the war in Ukraine. Dr. Weitzman left San Diego Humane Society's San Diego Campus on Sunday, March 27, 2022 after loading veterinary supplies to bring to the ADA Foundation in Poland. Supplies included antibiotics, paid medication, syringes and gloves.



Dr. Weitzman was invited to deploy as part of <u>Greater Good Charities</u>' response to the Ukraine crisis. Greater Good Charities is already on the ground assisting with the humanitarian effort. "As soon as the war broke out in Ukraine, we started looking for ways to support people with pets and animals left behind by this tragedy," said Weitzman. "When we learned that our partner, Greater Good Charities, was seeking additional veterinary support, we immediately offered to help. Our goal is to make an impact for animals and people in this tragic crisis."

Once on the ground in Przemyśl, Poland, Dr. Weitzman intends to provide daily updates with videos and photos. Media interested in covering Dr. Weitzman's journey can contact Nina Thompson@sdhumane.org or by texting or calling 619-372-0916.

Photos, b-roll and soundbites with Dr. Weitzman from today's deployment for media use can be downloaded here: https://bit.ly/3wEW7HW.
Updates from Dr. Weitzman's trip to Poland will be dated and uploaded to the same link.

Suggested Tweet: SDHS President Gary Weitzman, DVM, has deployed to Przemyśl, Poland to provide vet care, help set up a vet clinic & make arrangements for additional @sdhumane staff to support pets impacted by the #WarInUkraine2022. The mission is in partnership w @GreaterGoodorg. #AmplifyTheGood

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.