

ASPCA Plans Central Park Dog Walk

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Thousands of New Yorkers and their beloved dogs are expected to participate in the ASPCA Central Park Dog Walk on Saturday, June 3, at the East Meadow in New York City's Central Park.

The event is being held to benefit Animal Care & Control of New York City and The Mayor's Alliance for NYC's Animals.

The walk, held in partnership with the New York City Department of Parks & Recreation, and sponsored by the American Society for the Prevention of Cruelty to Animals, features a half-mile walk for pets and their owners, followed by a finish-line festival—a family celebration with live music, a microchip clinic, pet agility performances, raffles and prizes for the biggest pledge earners. The festival will also feature local pet-related vendors.

Our mission for the ASPCA Central Park Dog Walk is to raise funds and generate awareness for New York becoming a more humane community, where animals are respected and protected. In our vision of a humane community we want to ensure that no healthy animal will be euthanized for reasons of space; that every stray dog finds a loving home with an owner who appreciates the gift of having a pet in their lives, said Edwin Sayres, president & CEO of the ASPCA.

Participants can register for the walk by visiting www.asPCA.org/dogwalk. Registration is \$20, with children under the age of 12 admitted free. Once participants register, they're encouraged to obtain sponsors for the walk.

Funds raised at the event will be used to promote the importance of spay and neuter and to host adoption events for homeless pets.

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