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**FOR IMMEDIATE RELEASE**

**Charlottesville-Albemarle SPCA in need of fosters to help animals displaced by hurricanes**

**(Charlottesville, VA)** -- The Charlottesville-Albemarle SPCA has been contacted to help shelters hit by Hurricane Fiona and those in the path of Hurricane Ian to transport animals to safety in Charlottesville. The SPCA wants to help save these dogs and cats, and continue to help local shelter partners, but the shelter is at capacity, without one open dog kennel.

The SPCA is urgently seeking adult dog foster homes within an hour and a half radius of the shelter in order to make kennel space to transfer in dogs.

The SPCA provides all necessary supplies and food at no cost to foster families, has an emergency call line that connects fosters with a staff member at any hour of the day, and an on-site clinic for veterinary needs.

"We desperately want to help these animals that are displaced by the hurricanes, but we can't do it without the community's support," said Angie Gunter, Chief Executive Officer of the Charlottesville-Albemarle SPCA. "If just ten people opened their homes to foster a dog, we could save ten dogs that don't have a safe place to stay."

First-time fosters can sign up at <https://caspca.org/volunteerfoster/become-a-foster-family/>. Any questions regarding the foster process or animals available for foster can email [foster@caspca.org](mailto:foster@caspca.org). The shelter is also open for walk-in foster appointments every day from 12-6PM.

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*About the Charlottesville-Albemarle SPCA: The Charlottesville-Albemarle SPCA is proud to have maintained the City of Charlottesville and Albemarle County as a No Kill community, providing lifesaving care to thousands of animals in the region. The mission of the SPCA is to*

*advance the compassionate treatment of animals by providing sheltering, medical care and behavioral services for dogs and cats; promoting permanent, caring homes; and furthering education and outreach to place healthy animals in caring homes.*

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