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### Sam's Hope Celebrates Its First Year Anniversary of Saving the Lives of Southeastern Pennsylvania's Pets

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Fledgling non-profit organization makes significant strides in "Keeping Pets Out of Shelters and With Their Families"

Wyndmoor, PA -- (SBWIRE) -- 09/04/2014 -- Sam's Hope, a non-profit animal welfare organization, recently celebrated its first year anniversary of saving the lives of Southeastern Pennsylvania's needy pets.

Of the many millions of dogs and cats surrendered to shelters or abandoned each year in the United States, approximately 1 million surrenders/abandonments were due to the owners' financial inability to care for their pets.

Sam's Hope is dedicated to stopping this heartbreaking cycle, and help "Keep Pets and Their Families Together ", for the benefit of both the pet and the pet owner.

"We are thrilled to report that 1500+ pets benefited from our Pet Food Assistance Program during our first year of operation, " said Marianne Iaquinto, Founder of Sam's Hope. " 33,000 lbs. of pet food was distributed via food pantries, support programs, and directly to individuals in need."

In addition to pet food assistance, Sam's Hope Veterinary Care Assistance Program provided both necessary and life-saving treatment to 23 needy pets, 15 dogs and 8 cats.

For more information about the Sam's Hope and its assistance programs, or to learn how to support these programs, please call 267-753-0510 or visit our website at <http://www.samshope.org>.

#### About Sam's Hope

Sam's Hope is a 501(c)(3) non-profit organization dedicated to saving the lives of companion animals by keeping those facing economic and health challenges and their pets together through food and veterinary care assistance programs.

Founded in 2013, Sam's Hope was inspired by the founder's beloved dog Samantha, and her awareness of the current economic climate, which forces many pet owners to surrender or abandon their pets.

Our mission is to save the lives of companion animals by keeping them out of shelters, where they face a very uncertain future, and with their families.

Our vision is a world where all pets are well cared for and in a loving home for life.

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