

## News from The Pongo Fund

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### **CANIDAE Pet Foods makes MASSIVE contribution to The Pongo Fund**

### **Portland's First Pet Food Bank is jam-packed with pet food & set to open Sunday November 8, 2009**

**The Pongo Fund**, a Portland, Oregon non-profit public charity, announces the opening of The Pongo Fund Pet Food Bank, Portland's First Pet Food Bank, thanks to an unprecedented \$125,000 pet food contribution from **CANIDAE** All Natural Pet Foods of San Luis Obispo, CA.

With a mission dedicated to providing quality dog and cat food for the animals of anyone in need, **The Pongo Fund Pet Food Bank** will open their doors to the entire community on Sunday, November 8<sup>th</sup> from 12pm-3pm. Pet food will be provided on a first-come, first-served basis, as available. Focused on protecting companion animals from being abandoned or surrendered, simply because their families cannot afford to feed them, The Pongo Fund further expands their efforts to feed every hungry companion pet they possibly can.

#### **About The Pongo Fund:**

Since 2007, The Pongo Fund, together with **CANIDAE**, **Dogswell & Evergreen Pet Supply**, has provided more than 100,000 quality meals to animals living in Portland's homeless, transitional and underprivileged communities.

But the hungry pets of the homeless are being joined more and more by the hungry pets of people who simply are having trouble making ends meet...middle-class folks pummeled by the economy, white-collar workers recently laid off; even seniors and students are not immune. And when families must choose what to cut from their grocery lists, pets often are among those that suffer most.

For families that can't afford to feed their pets, the consequences are greater than just an empty stomach. Many pets will be surrendered to already overburdened shelters, many more will be abandoned. Finding new homes for these pets are never guaranteed. Families will be torn apart, simply because there's not enough money to buy pet food.

The pain touches every single family, regardless of where they call home. And during these challenging times, that could be any one of us.

CANIDAE cares, and that's why they've joined with The Pongo Fund to create Portland's first dedicated pet food charitable resource. CANIDAE's donation is a genuine gift for the entire community...lending a hand when times are tough by providing quality dog and cat food for the companion pets of anyone in need.

Sometimes it's simply a bowl of kibble that can keep a family together and save the lives of the animals they love.

Thank you CANIDAE!

For more information, the full story and all updates visit our website [The Pongo Fund Pet Food Bank](#)

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Come through our open door on November 8,  
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