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Durango Kennel Club Announces \$11,000 Donation to La Plata County Humane Society

Durango, CO - The Durango Kennel Club (DKC) is pleased to announce that through the American Kennel Club (AKC) "Reunite Program", a \$10,000 donation of necessary supplies has been made to La Plata County Humane Society (LPCHS). This donation along with an additional \$1,000 from the DKC will be used to help LPCHS in their efforts to aid and house animals evacuated from the 416 Fire.

The DKC and The AKC Reunite Program are inviting community members to join us in providing financial support to the LPCHS. Ongoing efforts to ensure that all evacuated animals are cared for is rapidly stressing the financial resources of LPCHS, due to multiple unbudgeted expenses, as well as lost revenue from adoptions and other animals services. Members of the community who wish to donate can visit, www.lpchumanesociety.org or deliver to: **La Plata County Humane Society, 1111 S. Camino del Rio, Durango CO 81303**

La Plata County Humane Society (LPCHS) is a 501 (c)(3) non-profit organization based in Durango, CO. LPCHS is an open-admission shelter, that has been helping animals since 1971. LPCHS was created to provide shelter and find forever homes for homeless animals, rescue animals in distress, assist in the investigation and prosecution of reported cruelty or abuse and encourage kindness and responsibility toward all living things through humane education. For more information on La Plata County Humane Society and how they are helping to make a difference in the lives of so many animals in our community, visit www.lpchumanesociety.org

The Durango Kennel Club (DKC) is a group of dog lovers from the Four Corners area who enjoy having fun with our purebred and/or mix breed dogs. We invite you and your dog(s) to join in the fun. We are dedicated to the welfare of dogs. Come to any upcoming meeting or event. For more information, visit www.durangokennelclub.com

AKC Reunite, an affiliate of The American Kennel Club®, is the largest non-profit pet identification and recovery service provider in the United States. The AKC Reunite Canine Support and Relief Fund has donated more than \$7 million since 2001 for disaster preparedness and relief causes that impact our nation's pets. Its AKC Pet Disaster Relief trailer program has donated 68 (and counting) disaster equipment trailers to emergency management first responders around the country in partnership with the AKC and AKC clubs. AKC Reunite also provides free recovery service enrollment for all active service, military, and law enforcement K-9 dogs. For more information visit www.akcreunite.org.

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