



STANFORD ANIMAL WELFARE SOCIETY (SAWS)

We're here because we care—plain and simple.

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From the Team

We appreciate your continued support and are grateful to have you with us on this journey. We'd like to take a moment to share an update about who we are, what inspires our mission, how we operate, and the ways you can get involved.

Let's take a closer look. 

WHY WE DO WHAT WE DO


Everything we do is for the animals — the cats and dogs of the greater Stanford community.

WHO WE ARE

We're not about titles or flash—we're about impact. We're a crew of doers, creators, and problem-solvers who care deeply about animals and even more about getting things done. If you're scrappy, compassionate, and all-in on making change, you'll fit right in.

OUR MISSION:

- to protect and improve the lives of cats and dogs through compassionate rescue, rehabilitation, and rehoming.
- We provide safe shelter, veterinary care, and love to abandoned, abused, and neglected animals, working to place each one in a responsible and loving forever home.
- We are dedicated to reducing overpopulation through spay/neuter programs, educating the public on responsible pet ownership, and advocating for the humane treatment of all cats and dogs.
- Through our efforts, we aim to build a community where every cat and dog is valued, cared for, and given a chance to thrive.”

 **THE ORGANISATION** is a registered not-for-profit organization dedicated to the care and welfare of animals.

- NPO Registration Number: 007-797
- PBO (Public Benefit Organization) Number: 930014789

SAWS is a duly constituted organization operating in full compliance with its official Constitution. We are committed to transparency and accountability, and present audited financial statements annually at our Annual General Meeting (AGM).

HOW WE KEEP GOING

We keep things running through a mix of donations, partnerships, and income from the things we create or offer. Some folks support us because they believe in what we do, others work with us on projects that align with their values. Every rand helps fuel the mission—and we make sure it's used wisely.

THE SAWS SHOP – MORE THAN JUST A STORE



To most people in Stanford, the SAWS Shop is the part of our organisation they know best. And it's easy to see why — it's a warm, welcoming space where generous donations are given extended life, and every purchase supports our cause.

The proceeds go directly to the animals, and they are vital to our operations. We're endlessly grateful to the volunteers who keep the shop running with such heart.



📁 BEHIND THE SCENES: HOW SAWS WORKS

Our work is organised into FIVE key areas:

<p>1. Back Office</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Planning activities to match available resources — both funds and people • Handling all administration, including communication with the CPF and Municipality
<p>2. The SAWS Shop</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Collecting, storing, sorting, and displaying donated goods • Running the shop and ensuring proceeds go directly into animal welfare efforts
<p>3. Outreach</p> 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Sterilisation Program (in partnership with Law Enforcement) • Monthly Pet Clinics at Taxi Rank and Die Kop • Dipping Program alongside the clinics • Operating the SAWS Cattery • Patrolling Stanford for animals in distress • Responding to medical emergencies • Working closely with Stanford Kennels, Stanford Vet, and other service providers • Rehoming abandoned animals
<p>4. Projects</p> 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Providing kennels and fencing • Setting up drinking water points • Running a feeding scheme • Organising the annual Winter Blanket Appeal
<p>5. Cattery (Situated at Stanford Security Premises) The cattery is all about giving cats a safe, clean, and comfortable environment—whether they're being boarded, or waiting for a new home.</p>	<p>1. Rescue/Shelter Cattery:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • A place within a shelter or rescue organization where cats are housed while waiting for adoption. • Focuses on health, rehabilitation, and rehoming.

👥 WHO KEEPS SAWS GOING?

All of this is overseen by our General Committee — SAWSCOM — a dedicated group of individuals who help coordinate and carry out these activities.

We hold open meetings on **the first Wednesday of every month at The Nest on Queen Victoria Street.**

Everyone is welcome to join — whether you're curious to learn more or interested in getting involved. Just give us a heads-up if you'd like to attend!

👥 OUR SERVICE PROVIDERS

- Stanford Vet. Bergview Vet. Gansbaai Vet. Hermanus Animal Hospital. Village Vet Clinic.
- Stanford Kennels

THERE'S ALWAYS ROOM FOR ONE MORE

While our team is already wonderfully numerous and committed, the need never stops — and neither does the work. We're always grateful for new faces who are willing to lend a hand — no matter how small the role. Every bit of help makes a difference. And chances are... you might already know some of the amazing folks who make SAWS what it is!

THE AMAZING VOLUNTEERS

Back Office: Wendy Hanson, Muriel Hofer, Veronica Carter, Rob Stewart

Social Media: Nicole Perez, Alison Thompson, Allison Fullard

The SAWS Shop: Wendy Hanson, Ingrid Fernandes, Jackie Palmer, Alison Thompson, Hilary Martin, Muriel Hofer, Veronica Carter, Vicky Menzies, Carla Pringle, Catalina Balina, Priscilla Schoonbee, Liza Muller, Eileen Snyman, Janet Bradley, Catie Hornby, Roz Wooldridge, Julian and Judy Evans, Juliet Elliot-Wilson, Eugenie Stevens, Ria Jacobs, Sarah Landman

Outreach (Sterilisations, Clinics, Patrolling, Vet Visits) Allison Fullard, John B, Muriel Hofer, Cindy Tilney, Dave Brammage, Carol Brammage, Eddie Windsor, Lynda Trotter, Bianca Opperman

Cattery: Entrapments Sterilizations Outreach; Lynda Trotter, Ian Trotter, **Feeding cleaning and Maintenance of Wendy houses.** Veronica Carter, Nina Morecombe, Loleta Dalton, Gary Heibner, Lana Hubbard, Wendy Hanson, Mark Tavener, Ian Trotter


Re homing : Veronica Carter, Lynda Trotter,

EMERGENCIES: Wendy Hanson, Muriel Hofer, Allison Fullard, John B, Ingrid Fernandes,

WAYS TO PLUG IN

There's room for everyone here. Want to help out or spread the word?

- Donate**
- Collaborate with us**
- Volunteer your skills**
- Share what we're doing**

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 **Until next time, thanks for being part of this. We could not do it without you. Stay kind, stay bold.**

The Team 

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