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**Donation Drive for Seattle Area Feline Rescue's Stay SAFe Pet Pantry, presented
by the Shoreline Chamber of Commerce**

Pantry serves local pet owners facing economic hardship.

Shoreline, Washington (March, 2021) – The Shoreline Chamber of Commerce is working with Seattle Area Feline Rescue to ask for community donations for the Stay SAFe Pet Pantry, a local resource that serves pet owners facing economic hardship.

Donations from community members have been extremely helpful in keeping the pantry stocked with essential items. Currently, there is a large need for cat and dog food at the Pantry. “It's been wonderful to see our community coming together to support each other in such an important way. The donations received at the pantry have made real, tangible, and lasting differences in people's lives,” said Kelsi Eldredge, Adoption Counselor and Development Associate at SAFe Rescue and one of the SAFe staff members involved with managing and maintaining the Pantry.

The Pantry has been a vital resource to many local pet owners and their animals during the COVID-19 pandemic. As one pantry user said, “The accessibility of the [Stay SAFe Pet Pantry] has been phenomenal! Right now I am working reduced hours & just don't have the means to survive. I have counted on this resource.”

- Donations can be dropped off anytime at the Pantry or donated directly through the Pantry's Amazon wish list from now until April 30th.
- To purchase items from the Pantry's wish list, visit https://smile.amazon.com/hz/charitylist/l/1H165Z2YRHS98/ref=smi_ext_lnk_lcl_cl
- For more information on donating gently used items or other needed items not included in the wish list, visit www.seattleareafeline rescue.org/resources/stay-safe-pet-pantry/.

The Stay SAFe Pet Pantry is located just outside the doors of SAFe Rescue's Adoption Center, located at 14717 Aurora Ave N. Shoreline, WA 98133. SAFe Rescue created the Pantry in early 2020 to assist pet owners facing economic hardship during the pandemic. Currently the Pantry serves an average of 50 households weekly, distributing over 300 pounds of food monthly.



For more information about the Stay SAFe Pet Pantry, visit www.seattleareafeline.org/resources/stay-safe-pet-pantry/. For more information on the Shoreline Chamber of Commerce, visit <https://shorelinechamber.org/>.

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About Seattle Area Feline Rescue

Seattle Area Feline Rescue is a non-profit, no-kill organization located on the border of Seattle and Shoreline, at 14717 Aurora Ave. N, Shoreline, WA 98133. (501c3 #91-2041961.) SAFe Rescue takes in homeless cats and kittens, gives them the care they need to recover, and finds them loving homes. Over 1,700 felines, including seniors and special needs cats, find homes here each year as people in search of new friends visit our welcoming storefront Adoption Center. An extensive network of community volunteers and foster families helps the rescue carry out its mission and save more lives.

About the Shoreline Chamber of Commerce

The Shoreline Chamber of Commerce was founded in August 1976 by a group of over 110 charter members. At that time, this area was still unincorporated King County, and "Shoreline" was the name of the school district in this area. The Chamber played a major role in the incorporation of the City of Shoreline in 1995. The Chamber currently consists of ten board directors. They have about 100 active members, many of them the original charter members and active community volunteers and financial contributors. They are currently shifting our focus to better support new and growing businesses in the rapidly changing City of Shoreline and expand their visibility.