

CAPE Wags FOR TAGS

Our project pairs a military veteran with an animal in a supervised setting, where both human and animal benefit from socialization and kindness.

Veterans and shelter animals have been through traumatic events, but together they can help each other heal. Medical studies have shown that companion animals significantly improve mental and physical health, reducing stress, depression, and anxiety symptoms experienced by many serving in the military.

We are grateful to partner with the Yarmouth Police Department, the United States Department of Veterans Affairs in Hyannis and the Pleasant Bay Nursing and Rehabilitation Center in Brewster on this important community program.

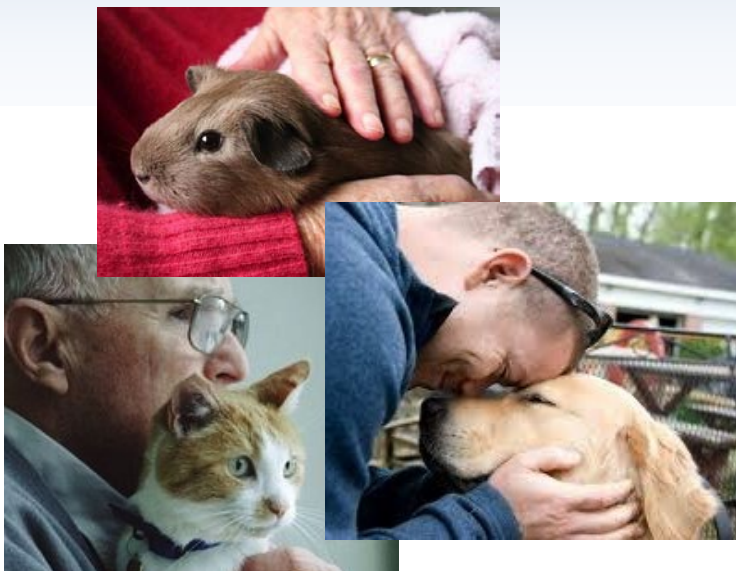
The MSPCA Cape Cod offers its deepest thanks to Yarmouth Deputy Chief of Police Steven G. Xiarhos for honoring his oldest son, who died in Afghanistan at age 21 while going to the aid of his fellow Marines in combat on July 23, 2009, by supporting this initiative.

The MSPCA Cape Cod, in collaboration with the United States Marine Corporal Nicholas G. Xiarhos Memorial Fund, has launched a pet visitation program called Cape Wags for Tags, helping veterans on Cape Cod suffering from Post-Traumatic Stress Disorder, substance abuse, depression, and thoughts of suicide.



Yarmouth Deputy Chief of Police Steven G. Xiarhos

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