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Animal Shelters Across the Country Team Up to Win Big in Football Challenge



Football fans cheering on the final four NFL playoff teams can show their team spirit while supporting their local animal shelter.

While the Kansas City Chiefs, Baltimore Ravens, San Francisco 49ers and Detroit Lions get ready to duke it out on the field this Sunday, local animal shelters in the teams' cities have joined up for their own challenge. Great Plains SPCA, Baltimore Humane Society, Pets In Need in the San Francisco Bay Area, and Michigan Humane in Detroit have come together to host the first-ever <u>Super TAILgate Challenge</u>, a fur-friendly fundraising competition to see which team has the most compassionate animal-loving fans. Staff and volunteers at all four shelters are rooting for their teams, and they need your support!

"We are so pleased to participate in this friendly competition with fellow animal shelters across the country," says Hathaway Maranda, Great Plains SPCA's Director of Philanthropy and Engagement. "We know Chiefs fans are the most passionate football fans and now we want to show everyone that they are also the most compassionate animal fans! We would love to be able to brag that our city came through as the most generous in the league."

Superfans who want to get in on the action can head over to <u>SuperTAILgateChallenge.org</u> for their chance to prove your team has what it takes to go all the way! Vote for your favorite team by donating to the animal shelter in their team's city until Sunday, February 11 at 11:59 p.m. for exclusive bragging rights. Great Plains SPCA has set a goal to raise \$5,000 for animals in our community.

Whoever you're rooting for, every dollar donated helps save more animals in your community.



(Above--Tom, a huge Chiefs fan and available for adoption at Great Plains SPCA)

About Great Plains SPCA

Great Plains SPCA is one of the largest animal shelters in the Kansas City area serving nearly 4,000 community pets annually. Great Plains SPCA works to save, protect and improve the lives of animals, while strengthening the relationship between pets and their human companions by providing humane sheltering, adoptions, community outreach and behavior training. Great Plains SPCA is a Charity Navigator four-star 501(c)(3) non-profit organization. For more information, visit www.greatplainsspca.org or follow us on Facebook, Instagram and Twitter.