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Georgian Triangle Humane Society's Walk for Pets Returns to Help Keep Compassionate Pet Support Close to Home

Collingwood, ON (April 14, 2026) - More than a fundraiser, Walk for Pets is a response to the growing need for compassionate pet support close to home. Taking place Saturday, June 13th at Harbourview Park in Collingwood, the annual event brings the community together to support pets and families across South Georgian Bay.

As the Georgian Triangle Humane Society's (GTHS) largest fundraising event of the year, Walk for Pets helps fund programs and services that pets and families across the region rely on, including animal sheltering, adoption support, accessible veterinary care, and services that help keep pets and people together. At its core, Walk for Pets brings people together to move with purpose, raising critical funds to support pets and families across South Georgian Bay.

"Walk for Pets is one of the most meaningful ways the community can show up for the GTHS," said Karen Marsh, executive director of the Georgian Triangle Humane Society. "Every person who registers, fundraises, donates, or comes out on event day is helping make compassionate care possible for pets and families across South Georgian Bay. Walk For Pets is not only a fun and uplifting event; it reflects something even bigger - a community that cares deeply and shows up when it matters."

Funds raised through Walk for Pets help make the GTHS's programs and services possible year-round. Annually, the GTHS performs more than 3,000 spay/neuter surgeries and administers over 1,700 rabies vaccinations as one of the only accessible companion hospitals serving Bruce, Grey, and part of Simcoe County. The organization also finds loving homes for nearly 1,200 animals, keeps 3,000 pets with their families during times of crisis and emergency through its Access to Care services, and reaches more than 4,000 youth through Humane Education Programs that help cultivate empathy, kindness, and respect for all living beings.

This year also marks the second consecutive year that Owen & Associates is returning as title sponsor of Walk for Pets.

"Owen & Associates is proud to return as title sponsor of Walk for Pets for a second year," said Steven Owen, President, Owen & Associates. "This event is such a great example of people coming together in a positive and meaningful way. It gives participants a chance to have fun, get involved, and directly support the important work the GTHS does for pets and families across the region."

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Walk for Pets welcomes walkers, runners, and families of all ages and abilities for a full day of activities. Dogs who enjoy being out in a crowd and are comfortable around other dogs are welcome, too. Event highlights include the 2.5K Walk, 5K Fun Run, kid zone, food trucks, and the return of the Rainbow Bridge memorial installation, which offers participants a meaningful way to honour pets who have been loved and lost. Side Launch Brewing Company will also be onsite with a beer garden, and the afternoon will feature live music by Geneviève Cyr.

Last year, Walk for Pets raised more than $130,000 in support of GTHS programs and services. This year, the organization is encouraging individuals, families, businesses, and community teams to register early, start fundraising, and take part in one of the most meaningful ways to support pets and families across South Georgian Bay.

Walk for Pets 2026

Saturday, June 13, 2026
Harbourview Park, Collingwood
9 a.m. to 2 p.m.

To register, start a team, or learn more about sponsorship opportunities, visit **gths.ca/walk-for-pets** or email **events@gths.ca**.

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About the Georgian Triangle Humane Society

The Georgian Triangle Humane Society is a non-profit charity serving South Georgian Bay through animal sheltering, adoption, community veterinary care, humane education, and access-to-care programs that support pets and the people who love them. Through compassionate, community-based services, the GTHS helps animals in need while working to keep pets and families together whenever possible.

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