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Fivecat Studio Partners with Pet Shelters to Collect Pillows for Puppies

PLEASANTVILLE, NEW YORK – November 12, 2008 – Fivecat Studio, a Westchester County based residential architecture firm has teamed up with [SPCA of Westchester](#) and [HI-TOR Animal Care Center](#) to promote their sixth annual Pillows for Puppies donation drive.

Clean, new or used pillows, blankets and towels may be shipped, delivered or dropped off at the firm's Pleasantville studio located at 48 Wheeler Avenue. The donation drive will continue until January 16, 2009. For more information, donors may call Fivecat Studio at (914) 747-1177.

"Since we started the firm in 1999, part of the mission at Fivecat Studio has been to contribute positively to our community and provide hope and support to those less fortunate. Providing a warm blanket or a soft pillow for a pet that will not have a home for the holidays is a simple way to make a difference," said Annmarie McCarthy, a partner with the firm. McCarthy has been active in animal rescue for more than two decades.



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The SPCA of Westchester was founded in 1883 by Ossining resident Mary Dusenberry after she observed horses being mercilessly whipped and beaten as they trudged up nearby hills to deliver heavy loads of coal. Together with caring friends, she obtained land on which to build the Society's first home and established a fund to be used to prevent cruelty to animals. The SPCA is still located on the same spot, making it one of the oldest landholders in Briarcliff Manor. It is the only humane society in Westchester County empowered to enforce laws relating to animal cruelty but receives no federal, state, or county funds. They rely solely on the financial support of people who care about the welfare of animals.

Founded in 1973, Hi-Tor Animal Care Center is the only animal care and control shelter in Rockland County and takes in approximately 2,500 animals each year. Hi-Tor is a privately incorporated, non-profit organization and is dedicated to preserving and improving animal life, promoting education through animal care and control, and providing a safe environment for all living creatures. They have a small paid staff, with a volunteer Board of Directors and a team of dedicated volunteers.

For more information on Fivecat Studio, please visit the firm's website at www.fivecat.com.