



“Whining” and Dining at the 11th Annual Hope Gala Join Operation Kindness for an Elegant Evening in Downtown Dallas

CARROLLTON, Texas (April 8, 2019) – [Operation Kindness](#), the original and largest no-kill animal shelter in North Texas, is hosting their 11th annual Hope Gala Saturday, April 27, at the House of Blues in Dallas.

The Hope Gala, Operation Kindness’ premier event, raises money to help provide medical treatment, rehabilitation, food and shelter to homeless cats and dogs in the Dallas-Fort Worth area. In 2018, Operation Kindness found homes for 4,825 animals. Since their founding in 1976, Operation Kindness has rescued and rehomed more than 105,000 cats and dogs.

“For the past 40 years, we have saved the lives of more than 105,000 animals, caring for an average of 300 animals daily with another 100 animals in foster homes,” said Natalie Buxton, Director of Communications, “We are currently under construction of our phase one, \$12 million capital campaign, where we are building a 14,600-square-foot animal hospital. The Hope Gala provides critical funding to save the lives of homeless pets in North Texas.”

The 11th annual Hope Gala is an elegant evening where guests enjoy a plated, four-course dinner with an open bar stocked with top-shelf spirits, live music from [Ricki Derek and the Vegas Six](#), dancing, a silent and live auction, and of course a few furry friends from Operation Kindness.

Join Event Chair and loyal advocate Joni McCoy for an evening full of festivities. Throughout the night, guests will be encouraged to participate in a grand raffle by purchasing tickets and choosing between two amazing giveaway items. As the evening comes to an end, one lucky victor and their guest of choice will have the opportunity to win a luxurious getaway in either the mountains of Jackson Hole, Wyoming, or the beaches of Santa Monica, California.

Hope Gala sponsors include: Silver Sponsors: Liz Morrow, Kristen and Mike Priest, and J&S Equipment Company and Bronze Sponsors: CityVet Addison, Recycle 2 Support, Kimberly and Keith Cross, The KSC Group, Darci and Randi Iola, Clarine Harp, Patricia and Donald Rowland, and Brooke and Greg Alexander.

Individual ticket prices begin at \$250 per person and a portion of the ticket cost is tax deductible. Private table sponsorships begin at \$1,000 and include premier seating, admission to the VIP reception and other amazing perks. All proceeds benefit Operation Kindness. Raffle tickets are available for \$50 [here](#). In over 40 years, Operation Kindness has never turned away an animal and will continue to serve the DFW pet



community for many years to come. For more information about the annual Hope Gala or to purchase tickets, visit support.operationkindness.org/hope19.

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About Operation Kindness

Founded in 1976, Operation Kindness is the original and largest no-kill animal shelter in North Texas. Its mission is to care for homeless cats and dogs in a no-kill environment until each is adopted into responsible homes and to advocate humane values and behavior. Operation Kindness has saved more than 105,000 animals since its inception. The shelter assists more than 5,000 dogs and cats each year, caring for an average of 300 animals daily with another 100 animals in foster homes. Learn more about Operation Kindness at <https://www.operationkindness.org> or on Facebook (<https://www.facebook.com/OperationKindness/>).

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