



**Protecting animals for
generations to come**

Make a positive difference to the future of animal welfare in New Zealand

As a fellow animal lover, thank you for seeking a very real way to make an impact on the future of animals.

Since its establishment here in 1872, SPCA has helped millions of animals. It's a great achievement but the simple truth is that this work would not have been possible without New Zealanders like you. Your generous support brings hope and security to animals who may have otherwise only known a life of pain and suffering.

A gift in your Will is a really special way to continue this support. Your legacy will provide protection to the thousands of vulnerable animals that need SPCA every year.

Together, we can give a voice to animals, help those who need it most and protect those that cannot protect themselves. We can create a better New Zealand for animals.

A special last act of kindness

A gift in your Will to SPCA is a fitting way to celebrate the love and companionship animals have brought to you during your lifetime. By doing so you will have a lasting impact on animals in need and help to ensure that New Zealand's most cherished charity will always be here to help animals.

SPCA receives only a very small amount of government funding to help us in our essential animal welfare work. We rely on the generosity of animal lovers just like you, to support animals through the precious gift they leave in their Will. We simply could not operate without you.

Gifts of all sizes make a huge difference and literally save the lives of countless animals every year.

If you want to help animals after you have gone, now is the time to prepare your Will to remember them.

We speak for those who cannot speak for themselves

Before you decide to leave a gift in your Will to a charity, it's important you know they're strong and reliable, and will be here long into the future to ensure your wishes are honoured.

Founded in 1872, SPCA has been protecting the nation's animals and we have grown to become New Zealand's leading animal charity. We've survived and thrived as an organisation through the generosity of our supporters, combined with highly professional governance and excellent financial and organisational management.

“With your generous support, we will be here for New Zealand's animals for the next 140 years, and beyond.”

— SPCA Inspector Richie with recently rescued Lola





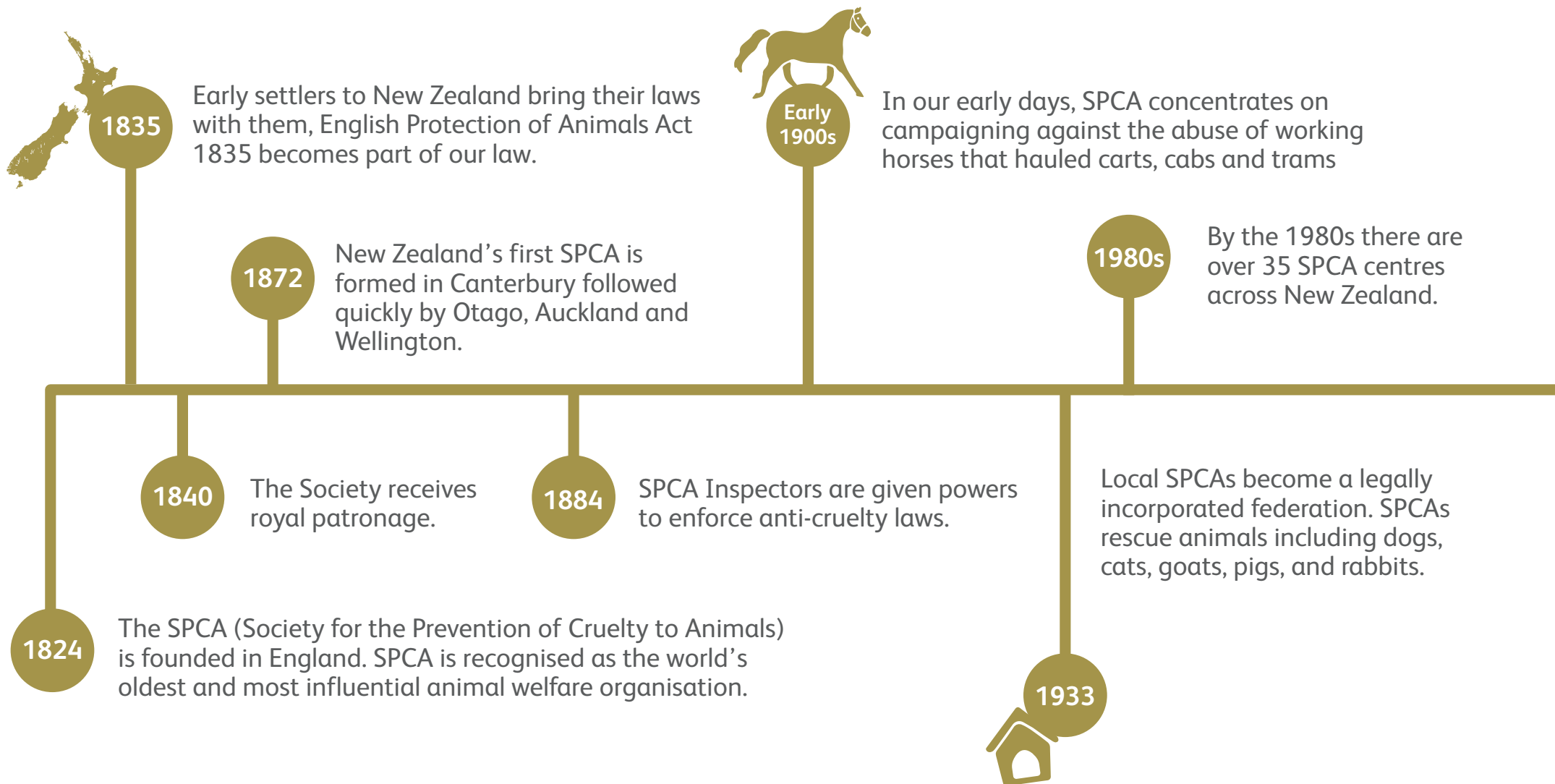
Our promise to you

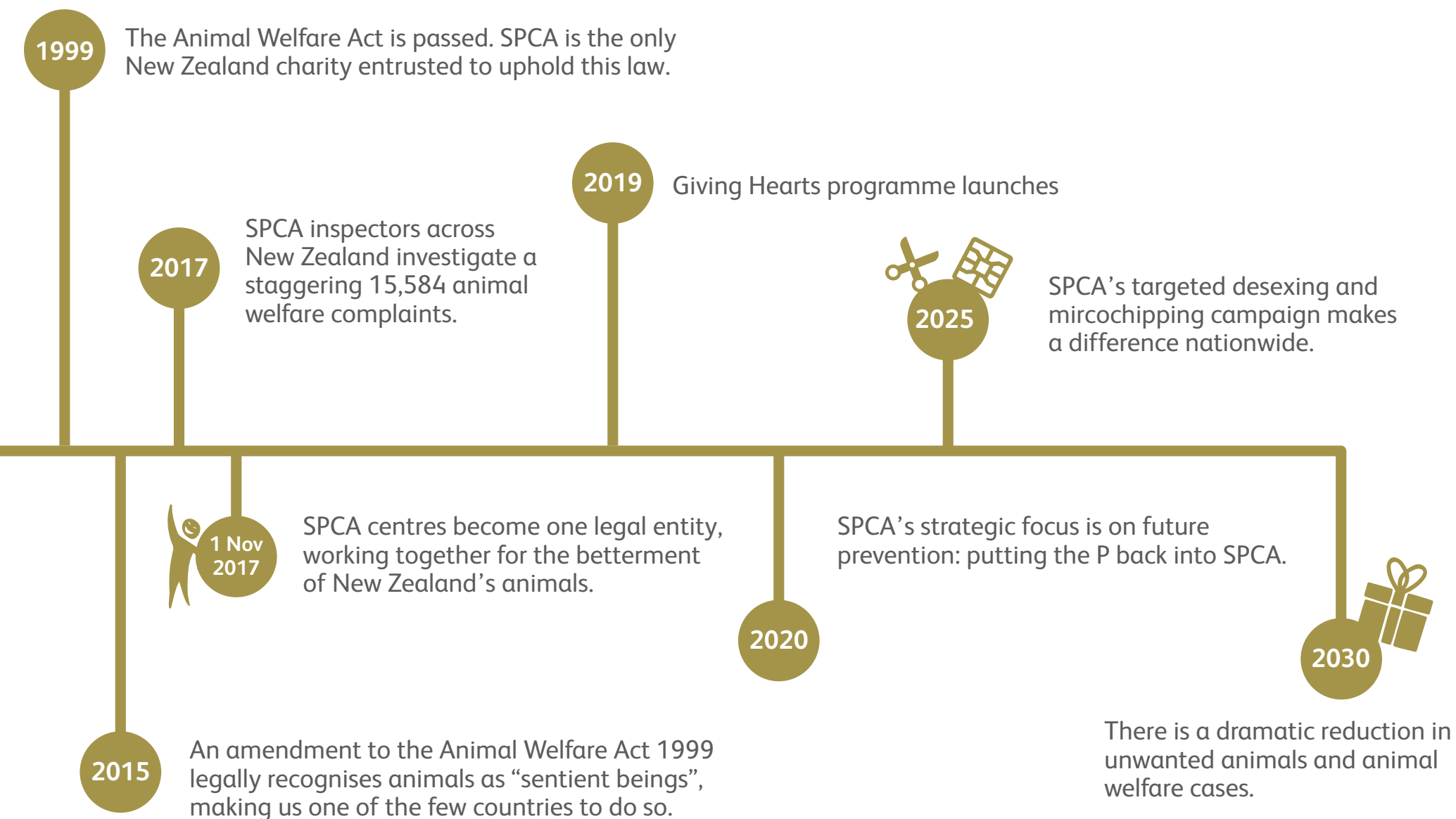
Should you choose to remember SPCA in your Will, these are the promises we make to you:

- > We will always respect your privacy. Your Will is personal to you – and we will treat your details with the utmost confidentiality.
- > We understand your loved ones will always come first.
- > We know that leaving a gift to SPCA is a big decision – and a very private one – so you will naturally want to do this in your own good time.
- > We will use your gift carefully to ensure it has the greatest possible impact.
- > Where possible, we will keep you updated on the work we do – made possible with the generous support of New Zealanders like you.
- > We understand that your personal circumstances could alter and we respect your choice should you change your mind.



Our history and goals for the future







Your legacy will help animals who are hurting

**Every year over 40,000 animals come
through the doors of SPCA centres.**

These animals have been abandoned, neglected,
or abused. Some need surgery and extensive
recovery, others simply need a vet check up.

As a Giving Hearts member, your kindness will
give animals the love and care they deserve.

Best of all, you'll give these animals
a new life in a new home with a family.

Your legacy will break the cycle of cruelty

Together, we can make real change happen and create a community where all animals are treated with respect.

With your help, SPCA will work to break the cycle of cruelty and prevent animal abuse from ever happening.

Your legacy will educate our communities.





Your legacy will prevent suffering

**Desexing is a key priority for SPCA
– we believe it's the best way to
improve animal welfare in New Zealand.**

With your help, we'll offer desexing in communities where it's needed most. This simple procedure will reduce suffering and help prevent animals being abused and neglected.

Through the generosity of gifts in Wills our priority of a national desexing programme will become a reality.

Your legacy will create positive change

**Your gift will help SPCA advocate for
change in government and industry.**

You'll help strengthen animal welfare laws,
and ensure better protection for all
New Zealand's animals.

With your support, together we can give
future generations of animals a happier
and healthier life.

***“Every gift, no matter the size, makes a
difference to animals at SPCA. Every
gift saves lives.”***

— John, SPCA donor and volunteer





Your legacy will give justice to abused animals

Many people don't realise SPCA
is the only charity entrusted to uphold the
Animal Welfare Act 1999.

On average, SPCA receives over 100 animal welfare
complaints every day. But we receive very little
government funding to investigate these reports,
and rescue animals in need.

Your legacy gift will enable SPCA inspectors to
investigate animal cruelty, and seek justice
on behalf of animals.

***“As an SPCA donor I know I’ll help
be the voice for animals in court.”***

— Sue, SPCA donor and volunteer

Your legacy will educate the next generation

As a Giving Hearts member you'll help educate the next generation of pet owners in New Zealand.

The SPCA education programme reaches all 2,100 primary and intermediate schools in New Zealand. With your support, Kiwi kids will learn reading, writing, maths and more, while also learning about animal welfare.

A gift in your Will will help us to grow this programme in New Zealand and also spread it to our Pacific neighbours and build kinder, more compassionate communities.



The Giving Hearts Programme

When you pledge a gift to SPCA in your Will, we'll welcome you into the Giving Hearts programme - a special group of like-minded supporters.

Being a Giving Hearts member means we can say thank you in your lifetime and share our mutual love of animals together.

You will receive invitations to exclusive events, regular copies of Animals' Voice magazine and ongoing communications to keep you informed of our activities.

***“Leaving a gift for the animals is a privilege.
I know it will really make a difference.”***

— Jean, Giving Hearts member





Name an SPCA pet

We would also love your legacy to live on in a happy home. We will invite you to name an SPCA animal, tell us the story behind the name and we will share that with their new family.

Joining Giving Hearts will also help to give you peace of mind that your pets will be cared for after you go or when it becomes difficult for you to continue to care for them yourself.

Giving Hearts Animal Assistance Programme

If your situation changes and you can no longer look after your pet (for example you move into a rest home), you can call on us for special assistance.

Giving Hearts Pet Legacy Plan

This is where animals living at the time of your death, where no arrangements have been made for them, will be taken in by SPCA to find a loving home.

Making a gift in your Will

When preparing your Will, we recommend you seek the assistance of your family solicitor or a trustee company (such as the Public Trust or Perpetual Guardian Trust), to ensure your wishes are properly recorded.

You will also need to tell them what kind of gift you'd like to make.

The different ways you can make a gift in your Will to SPCA

There are a variety of ways to leave a gift in your Will to SPCA, depending on what suits you best:

Residuary Bequest – here you make a gift to SPCA of what is left over, or a percentage thereof (the residue) in your estate after all expenses and debts have been settled and your loved ones have been provided for.

Pecuniary Bequest – this means a specified sum of money in your Will is gifted to SPCA.

Specified Bequest – this is where a particular item of value (for example stocks and shares, property or works of art) is gifted to SPCA in your Will





In Memoriam Giving

A Memoriam Gift is a wonderful way to remember a beloved pet, friend or family member who has passed on. A donation to SPCA in their memory will help look after the daily needs of the animals in our care.

Many families choose to honour their loved one by requesting donations to SPCA in lieu of flowers at the funeral. A tax-deductible receipt will be sent to all donors. We can also send acknowledgment of contributions (name only, not amount) to the family or next of kin.

Other important information

SPCA is registered with the Charities Services, registration number CC22705.

***“I want my legacy to make
New Zealand a better place
for our animals.”***

— Peter, Giving Hearts member and volunteer

Our heartfelt thanks

Leaving a gift to SPCA in your Will is a big decision, and we appreciate you'll want to take your time to think it through first and share your thoughts with your family.

If you decide to go ahead, we'd be very grateful if you could let us know of your generosity by completing the accompanying Pledge form and mailing it back to us. Then we can thank you for your kindness and also give you the opportunity to benefit from our Giving Hearts programme.

If you would like to remain anonymous, we will make a note of that and absolutely respect your wishes.

Your questions answered

Everyone is different, and so are their circumstances, and it's important that the legacy you leave is right for you. If you would like to discuss our legacy programme further or if you wish to consider leaving a living legacy during your lifetime, please do not hesitate to contact us:

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