



## **BIDEAWEE LAUNCHES PREVENTION AND WELLNESS SATELLITE (PAWS) PROGRAM IN WANTAGH**

### **New facility consolidates care of all Bideawee incoming pets and ensures their good health and care for placement in forever homes**

Bideawee, one of the country's oldest and most respected animal welfare organizations, announced today the official opening of its new Prevention and Wellness Satellite Program (PAWS) at its Wantagh Campus for Pets and People.

In keeping with Bideawee's tradition of service to the people and pets of Wantagh and Central Long Island, the innovative and cutting-edge PAWS program will consolidate and centralize short-term isolation and care of all incoming cats and dogs to our adoption centers in New York City and Westhampton. By moving the responsibility of caring for incoming pets to Wantagh, Bideawee will have added room at its other locations for the adoption of healthy animals, and especially from local municipal shelters so it can place them in loving homes.

"We are delighted to begin this relocation to the Campus for People and Pets," said Bideawee president and CEO Nancy Taylor. "It provides space for the isolated pets in a more modern, expansive, and environmentally-friendly setting, decreases the spread of disease and ensures a dedicated staff to provide appropriate care of the animals.

"When pets arrive at Bideawee they go through a 14-day process to ensure they are in good physical and behavioral health so they can be placed with forever families," she added. "And, if a pet needs extra or private medical attention, Bideawee is always ready to provide that."

It will continue to share space with Last Hope Animal Rescue and Rehabilitation, a partnership that was created last year to expand services and best utilize existing space in Wantagh. Additionally, Bideawee will be outfitting a new commercial van with customized cages that ensures the safe transport of the animals to each location.

For more information please visit: [www.bideawee.org](http://www.bideawee.org)

**About Bideawee:**

Bideawee, which means “stay awhile,” in Scottish, is one of the country’s oldest and most respected animal welfare and pet adoption organizations. Founded in 1903, Bideawee has been cultivating and supporting the life-long relationships between pets and the people that love them for more than 100 years. Bideawee provides an array of high touch services including adoption centers, animal hospitals, pet therapy programs, and pet memorial parks that serve pets and pet lovers on their lifelong journey together. Bideawee is a not-for-profit 501(c) 3 humane animal organization and 100% of Bideawee’s funding comes from private sources. Bideawee operates one facility in New York City and two on Long Island, one in Wantagh, and one in Westhampton. For more information visit: [www.bideawee.org](http://www.bideawee.org).