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BIDEAWEE'S SIXTH ANNUAL HOLIDAY DRIVE FOR LESS FORTUNATE  
ANIMALS

Manhattan/Wantagh/Westhampton– 11/1/08 – Bideawee, **one of the nation's oldest humane organizations**, is hosting its Sixth Annual Holiday Drive to benefit less fortunate animals during this holiday season at our Manhattan, Wantagh and Westhampton locations. Donations needed are unopened dog/and or cat food and treats, new dog and/or cat toys, beds, brushes, meat only baby food and Yesterday's News brand cat litter. Recipients of the drive include Bideawee residents, animals of clients served by local food pantries and all-volunteer animal rescue groups.

Please drop off your donations in the holiday drive bins located in the Manhattan Adoption Center (410 East 38<sup>th</sup> Street), Wantagh Adoption Center (3300 Beltagh Avenue) or in the Westhampton Adoption Center (118 Old Country Road) between 10:00am and 5:00pm, seven days a week no later than January 1, 2009. For more information, visit our website [www.bideawee.org](http://www.bideawee.org).

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**About Bideawee**

Founded in 1903 by Mrs. Flora D'Auby Jenkins Kibbe, Bideawee, which means "stay awhile" in Scottish, is one of the oldest and largest humane organizations in the United States. Bideawee's three locations in New York, Wantagh, and Westhampton are home to approximately 250 to 300 animals at any one time and places thousands of dogs, cats, puppies and kittens in loving homes every year. The organization operates two full-service veterinary practices in Manhattan and Westhampton and is also home to two of the oldest and largest Pet Memorial Parks in the country located in Wantagh and Westhampton, NY.

Bideawee's Learning Centers in all three locations provide a wide range of educational programs and fun activities that help strengthen the bond between people and pets. Our mission is to promote and support safe, loving, long-term relationships between people and companion animals by providing a continuum of services and programs that are innovative, personalized and of high quality.

Bideawee is a not-for-profit 501 (c) 3 humane organizations and 100% of Bideawee's funding comes from private sources. For more information, please visit [www.bideawee.org](http://www.bideawee.org).