

Shuswap & the BC SPCA: Community Update



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About the BC SPCA

- Established in 1895 by provincial statute
- Covers the entire province of BC
- 490 staff and nearly 4,000 volunteers
- 80,000+ donors
- 48,000+ animals cared for each year
- 9,000 cruelty investigations each year
- Registered charity
- No ongoing federal or provincial government funding



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Our Mission and Vision

MISSION: To Protect and Enhance the Quality of Life for Domestic, Farm and Wild Animals in BC

VISION: To inspire and mobilize society to create a world in which all animals enjoy as a minimum,

five essential freedoms:

1. Freedom from hunger and thirst
2. Freedom from pain, injury, and disease
3. Freedom from distress
4. Freedom from discomfort
5. Freedom to express behaviours that promote well-being



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Our Organization Today

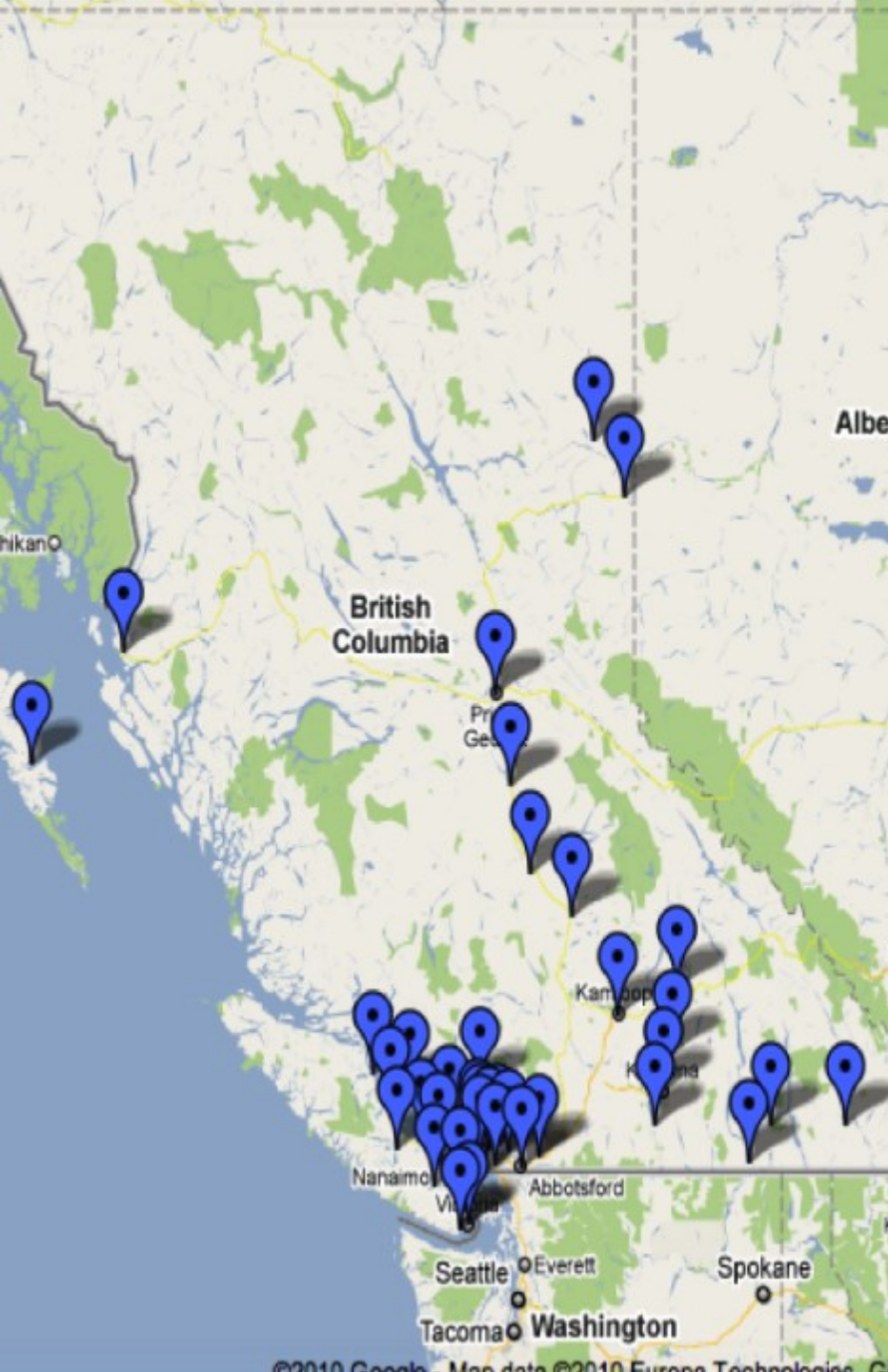
FACILITIES:

- 29 community animal care centres
- 4 education & adoption centres
- 2 large animal seizure barns
- 2 volunteer-run branches
- 1 provincial call centre
- 10 satellite adoption locations
- 3 veterinary hospitals
- 2 spay/neuter clinics
- 1 wildlife rehab centre

PROGRAMS:

- Cruelty investigations
- Behaviour & welfare
- Scientific programs: farm & wildlife welfare
- Advocacy & humane education

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2019-2023 Strategic Plan

- Extensive public & stakeholder consultation
 - Public survey of 7,000+ people
 - 16 in-person, telephone or webinar conversations with 227 participants



2019-2023 Strategic Plan

PRIORITIES:

- **Protecting** animals from cruelty & neglect
- **Caring** for animals in the community & in our shelters
- **Inspiring** the public to take action for animals
- **Growing** our organization so we can do our best

Animal Cruelty Law Enforcement

- **100% donor funded**
- 32 Special Provincial Constables across BC
- The BC SPCA responds to nearly 9,000 animal cruelty complaints each year
- Toll-free hotline to report an animal in distress

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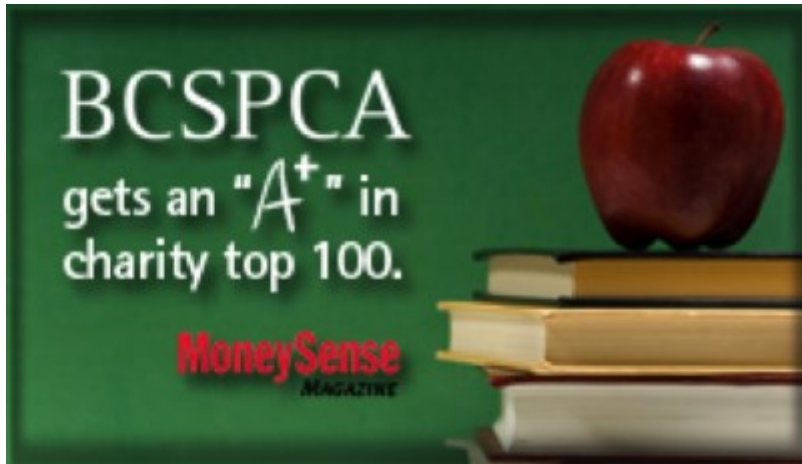
**Report animal cruelty
toll free in BC:
1-855-622-7722**

Learn more at sPCA.bc.ca/cruelty

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A Top-ranked Canadian Charity



- "A+" rating in the *MoneySense* charity top 100 awards



- One of only 45 Canadian charities to receive Imagine Canada accreditation

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BC SPCA and the Shuswap Community



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In 2018:

- BC SPCA took in **284** dogs and puppies and **465** cats and kittens from Shuswap region.
- Of **465** cats and kittens, **196** were surrendered by their owners and **269** were found as strays.
- Cat overpopulation is an issue across British Columbia – cats are domesticated pets, but often treated as if they are wild animals
- One unspayed kitten can have 400 offspring in 7yrs

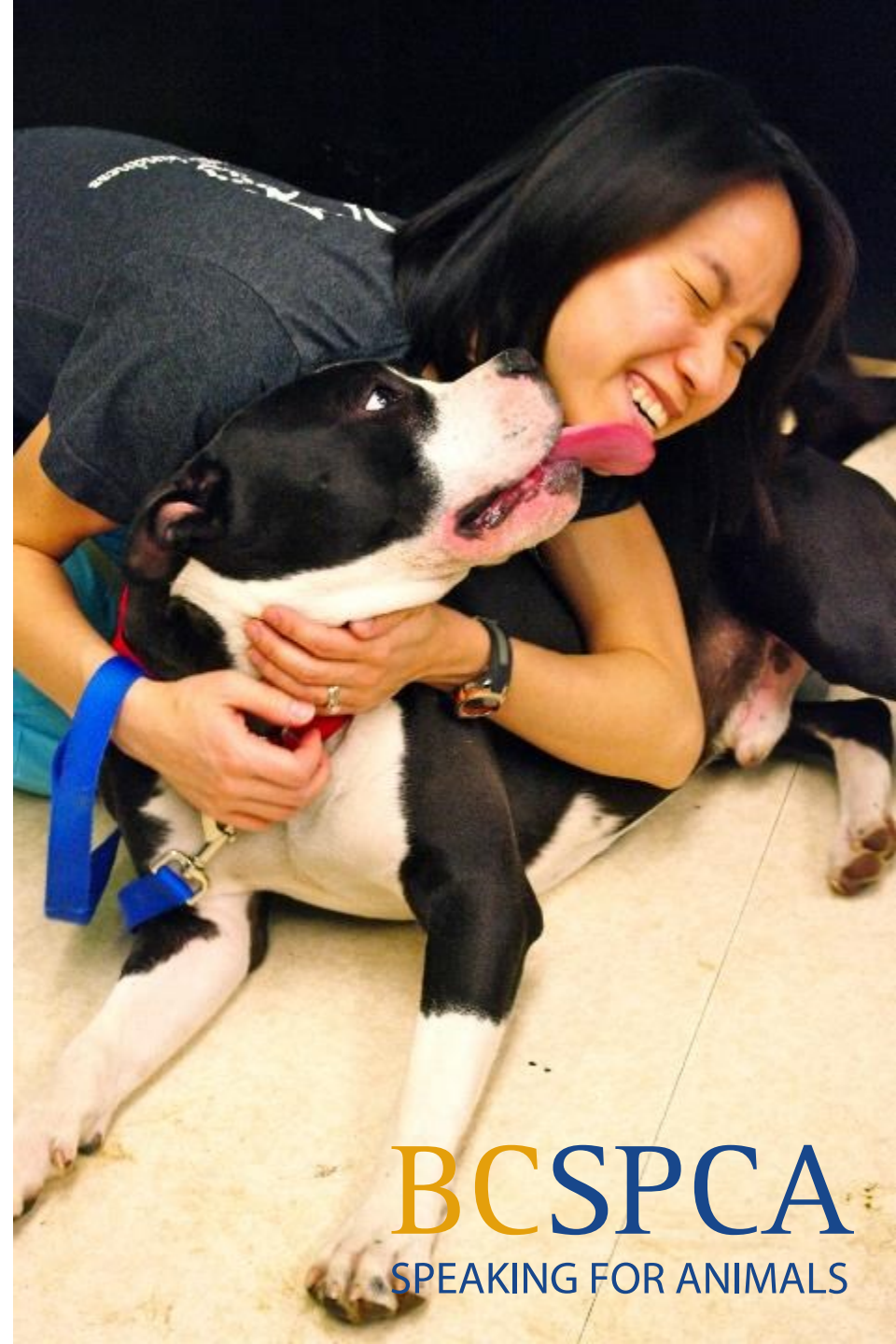


Staff and Volunteers

Our staff and volunteers work tirelessly to prevent animal cruelty, promote humane education, and ensure animals find homes.

We have:

- 2 full-time, 3 part-time, 3 casual staff
- 62 volunteers



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Revenues

1. Adoption fees
2. Service fees like dog boarding
3. Donations
4. Kennel sponsorships
5. City of S.A. and CSRD allocations
6. Fundraising events



Costs

- Caring for an animal includes: spay/neuter, microchip, parasite treatment, medical care, sheltering and overhead (staff time for welfare monitoring, housing, feeding, accounting, PR, & fixed facility costs (heat, lights, vehicles))
- What it cost to run our shelter in 2018:
Over **\$578,449**
- Cost of spay/neuter assistance program **\$90,000**
- Cost of animal medical needs like dental surgery: **\$32,000**

Community Services Offered

- Rehoming and providing care for stray and owner-surrendered domesticated animals
- Housing animals affected by animal cruelty/abuse
- Compassionate boarding of animals for victims of domestic abuse or wildfire evacuation
- Daily dog boarding
- Spay/neuter education and assistance
- Humane youth education
- Adult education at community events
- Community food bank support
- Assisting local dog control service agency



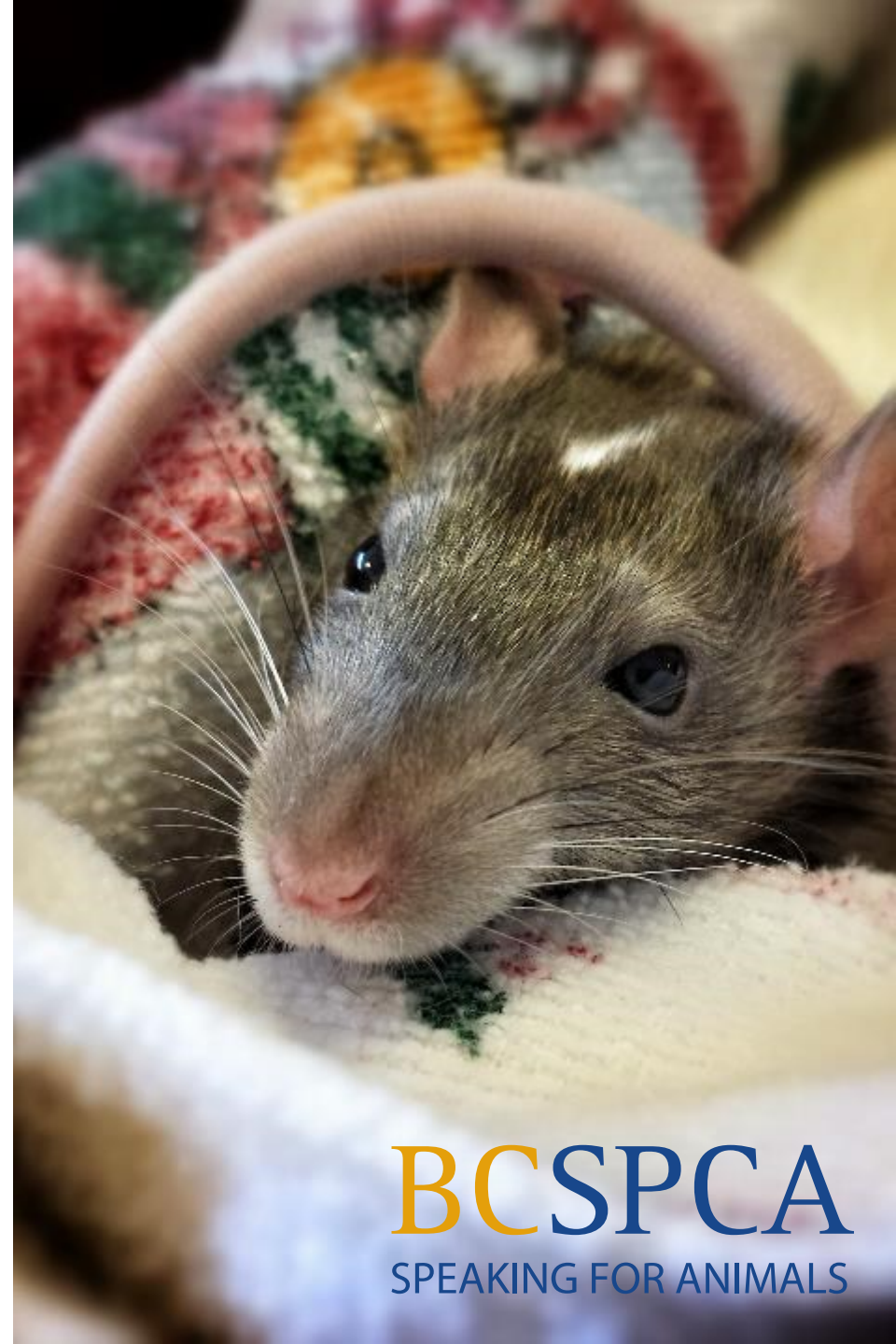
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Municipal Bylaws

The Model Animal Responsibility Bylaw is a 45-page document outlining bylaws that provide for public safety and humane treatment of animals.

The BC SPCA is available to provide expert advice on:

1. Dangerous dogs
2. Animal control and pound operation
3. Exotic animals
4. Cat overpopulation
5. Animal licensing and identification
6. Urban wildlife management

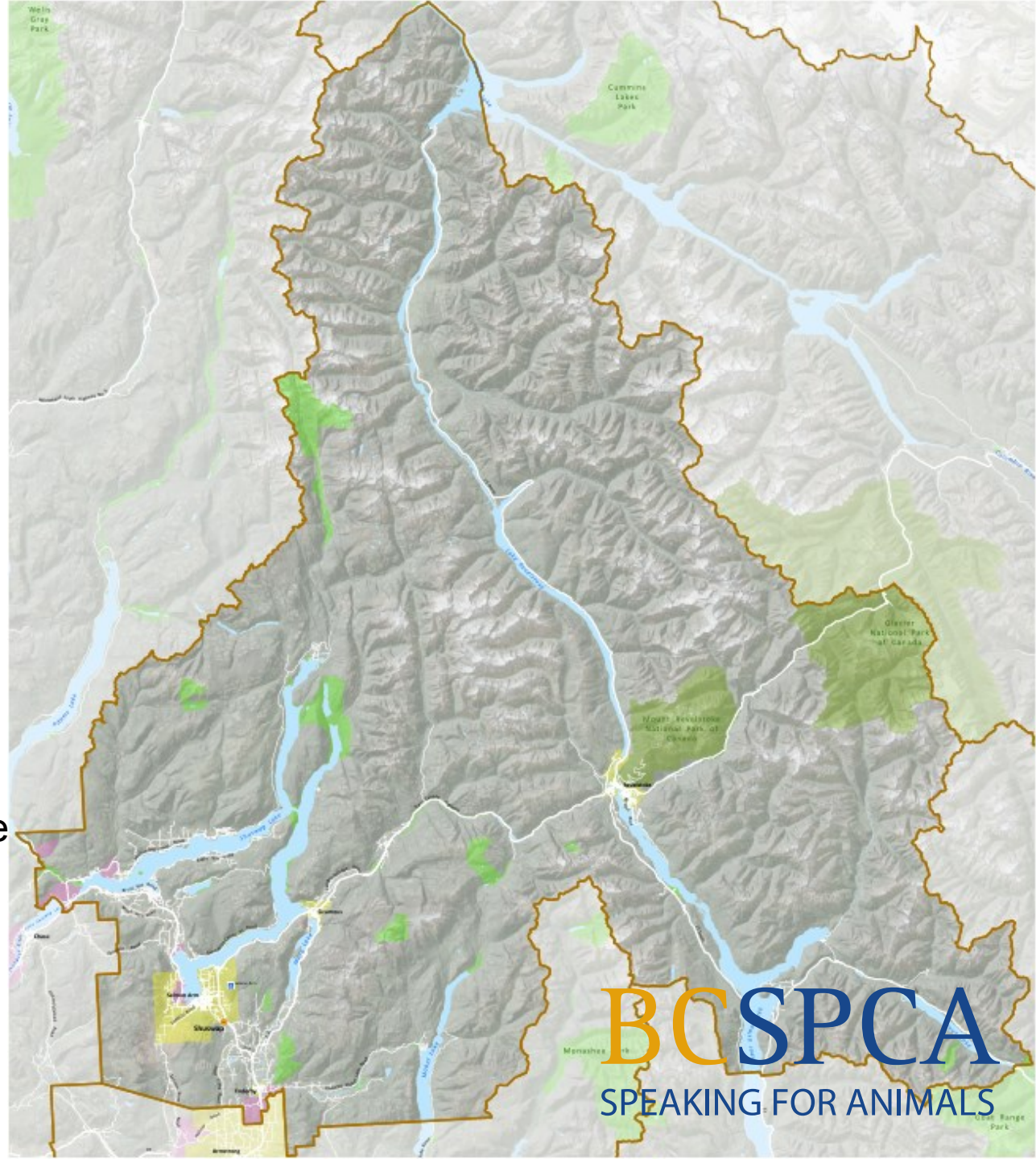


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Shuswap SPCA Warrant Area

We have just made revisions to our warrant area using the electoral area boundary so that the communities of Grinrod, Mara, and Enderby are included in the Shuswap warrant area now.

We were able to accommodate these changes while staying to the principles of aligning the warrant boundaries with municipal, district, or electoral boundaries.



How YOU can help:

1. We're interested in moving our branch to a new location!
2. Bylaw changes
3. Support fundraisers like Pawsta Night and Silent Auction and paws in the Parade
4. Volunteer!
5. Join our Community Council



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Thank You!

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