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Suncoast Humane Society Reopens

Irma may have been a beast of a storm but the Suncoast Humane Society is pleased to report that they were able to keep all 160 animals SAFE from her wrath.

Dedicated staff had prepared the aging shelter as well for the safety of the animals, and were able to check on their welfare as soon as the storm passed. All dogs, cats, bunnies, and birds were scared, but alive and well.

Suncoast Humane Society did suffer damage to property, roof and perimeter fencing. Clean up and repair will take some time to get back to normal.

Most importantly, the animals and staff are safe and sound.

Executive Director Phil Snyder said, “The safety of the animals were in a lot peoples prayers, especially with the condition of our aging shelter. We have a very compassionate and caring staff and volunteer group who jumped to the rescue following this scary storm.”

The Shelter at 6781 San Casa Drive in Englewood opened on Wednesday for business. The three thrift store in Englewood, Port Charlotte and Venice were all still without power. It will be determined soon when they will be back in business.

Suncoast Humane Society has been serving animals and people since 1971. Founded as Englewood Animal Aid Society, the organization’s services and programs were soon challenged to meet the demands placed on them by the pet over-population crises.
Expansions to their facility in Englewood during the 1980s and 1990s helped the Society to more effectively provide for a growing service area. To reflect the changes, the organization became Suncoast Humane Society. **Over time our service area expanded and is now Charlotte County, Sarasota County, the Boca Grande portion of Lee County and beyond.**

Visit our adoptable pets and learn more about Suncoast Humane Society online at www.humane.org, in person at 6781 San Casa Drive, Englewood, FL 34224 or at one of our many community events!

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