


WE'RE MAKING A DIFFERENCE IN THE LIVES OF CHILDREN AND PETS

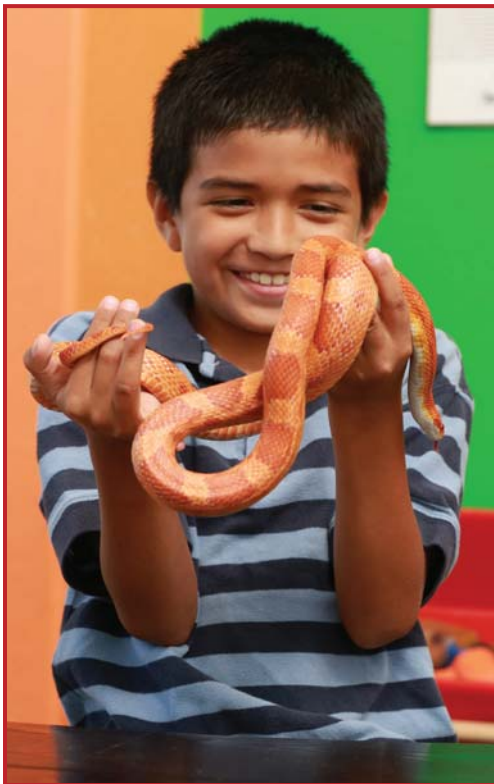


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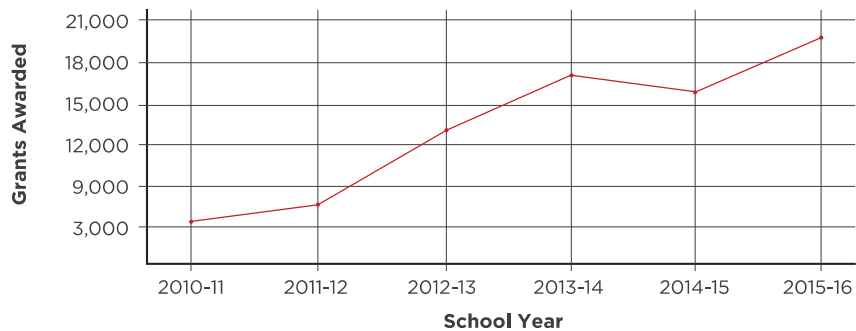
Pets in the Classroom has provided more than

 **90,000
GRANTS**
to teachers and positively impacted
**3.5 MILLION
CHILDREN** 



Loving a pet is a simple concept many of us remember from our childhood. Teachers confirm classroom pets have a lasting impact and offer substantial benefits to the learning process that go far beyond the school year. The Pets in the Classroom program, supported by the Pet Care Trust, has demonstrated that pets bring out students' creativity, stimulate learning and improve classroom socialization. Pets also promote a sense of responsibility, empathy and compassion for all living creatures. These are necessary skill sets the digital age has negatively impacted that we are reestablishing successfully through this program.

Growing Demand From Teachers



Since 2011, Pets in the Classroom has worked diligently, with limited resources, to bring pets to classrooms throughout North America. While 90,000 grants to teachers reaching 3.5 million children is fantastic, we are just scratching the surface. We know there are more than 67,000 elementary and middle schools out there, thousands of teachers who are hungry for the benefits a pet can bring to their classroom, and millions of kids who have yet to experience the benefits and joy of a classroom pet.

How Can You Be A Part Of This Fantastic Program?

We need your monetary support to ensure that no teacher is denied the opportunity to make his or her classroom a better learning environment with a pet through the Pets in the Classroom program. With your generous support we can help more children develop the important skills we know they will need to be successful in their adult lives. Please open your checkbook and make a donation to The Pet Care Trust today! Children all over the US and Canada will be forever grateful.



Why the Program Matters

✔ **Pets Improve a Classroom's Environment**

Not only do pets bring a new excitement for learning, but they provide a warm and welcoming environment for students. Pets also make it easier for students to connect with their teacher and classmates by giving them a shared common interest.

✔ **Pets Provide Educational Benefits**

Over half of teachers enrolled in the program tell us they teach formal lessons that utilize the classroom pet in a purposeful way. Pets can be incorporated into lesson plans, bringing science lessons to life, improving language skills when a child reads to the animal and much more.

✔ **Pets in the Classroom = Pets in More Homes**

The program brings pets into the lives of children and families, and it has a demonstrated positive influence on children's overall attitudes for pets. Studies have shown that children exposed to pets in a school setting are more likely to be pet positive as they grow older, multiplying the program's impact.

✔ **Pets Promote Human and Animal Interaction**

Pets offer students new experiences (particularly for those who do not have pets of their own), eliminate unfounded fears of animals among children, build a sense of responsibility and lead to long-lasting animal bonds.

✔ **Pets Build Self Esteem**

Helping to take care of a pet gives children a sense of pride and accomplishment that can lay the foundation for increased confidence and compassion in other aspects of their lives.



We Need Your Help to Keep Pets in Classrooms

By supporting Pets in the Classroom, you have a chance to make a difference in the lives of children and pets. Your donation ensures the program continues to expand and responds to growing demand, allowing even more teachers across the country to participate.

Donate

Please help us reach our goal of funding 50,000 new classrooms in the next two years. It only takes \$125 to sponsor a classroom. Together, we can bring pets into the lives of millions of children who, without this program, might never interact with a pet.

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100 percent of all donations go directly to support efforts to bring pets to classrooms near you!