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Sleeping With Paws For a Great Cause

St. Louis, Mo (February 24, 2023) - According to a study by ASPCA, 23 percent of dogs and 31 percent of cats are obtained through shelters or humane societies. Therefore, it takes many hours of work to give these animals the best living conditions possible before their eventual adoption, especially for non-profits.

You can help by joining us on March 25, 2023, for CARE's Shelter Slumber Pawty! For 24 hours, participants eat, sleep and 'pawty' with animals at the shelter. The Pawty will be streamed on Facebook and Instagram, giving the public a glimpse into shelter life and encouraging viewers to donate for a great cause.

The Shelter Slumber Pawty is a collaborative fundraising event that brings together animal welfare organizations to raise funds and awareness for shelter animals. Since 2017, the Shelter Slumber Pawty has raised over \$600,000 for homeless pets. This is CARE STL's third year participating in this international fundraiser, and our goal is to raise \$20,000 for our Emergency Medical Fund. Fundraising begins on March 3, so give a gift of any amount to help us reach our goal.

"The Shelter Slumber Pawty is an innovative, fun event that unites the animal welfare community and sheds much-needed light on this lifesaving cause," says Valerie Strobo, CARE's Executive Director. "You can either join in the fundraising or enjoy the Pawty's activities from the comfort of your own home."

Center for Animal Rescue and Enrichment of St. Louis (CARE STL) is a 501c3 nonprofit organization serving as the official No-Kill animal shelter partner for the City of St. Louis Animal Care and Control. We provide animal regulation services and work with the City of St. Louis to enforce Title 10 of the City of St. Louis Ordinance relevant to animal care and control. We also embrace the No-Kill equation and follow the guiding principles of no-kill shelters. We work with a network of community partners, business sponsors, adopters, donors, and volunteers to advocate for animal welfare. CARE STL exists to create a supportive community rooted in collaboration, compassion, and caring, for people and animals. www.icarestl.org

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