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## **Fall Newsletter**

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## **Animal Cruelty Named Top Education Priority**

In September, the CVA Board of Directors agreed to make animal cruelty a major education initiative through 2022. In CT, 80 percent of animal cruelty cases are either dismissed or not taken up by the courts, according to a 2018 CT General Assembly Office of Legislative Research report, the most current available data. Clearly this must change.

Even though Desmond's law has had a positive impact on the disposition of many animal cruelty cases, overall CT statistics are grim. It is well documented that animal abuse and domestic violence are linked and as domestic violence cases increased during the pandemic, we can assume that animals also suffered.

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## It's the Perfect Time to Get to Know Your Legislators

With the next legislative session just a few months away, we'd like to encourage our supporters to take this opportunity to get to know your lawmakers now so you're ready to reach out when the 2022 session gets underway in February. We talked to a few of our seasoned advocates for some ideas on how to get started.

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## What to Do With an Injured Animal?

Fall brings darker mornings and earlier evenings, the times favored by animals on the move and those migrating and getting ready for winter. Collisions between vehicles and large mammals like deer are more common in October and November than at any other time of year, according to the Federal Highway Administration. Do you know what to do when you come upon injured wildlife?

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## Growing the Grass Roots



CVA was delighted to be back at public events this fall, raising awareness of the organization and its mission. Our volunteers were well-received at the six animal-friendly events we attended, signing up many new animal advocates to our ranks. If you know someone who cares about animals and would like to help influence state policy, they can visit the CVA website to sign up.



## All the Colors of Fall in This Vegan Ratatouille

Look at the beautiful fall colors in this popular vegetable dish! It's a delicious melding of flavors with some autumn veggies tossed in. Ratatouille is vegan by nature – so no adjustments needed. Even if you have your own recipe, give this version a try. And remember to **share your favorite vegan recipes at [info@ctvotesforanimals.org](mailto:info@ctvotesforanimals.org).**

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