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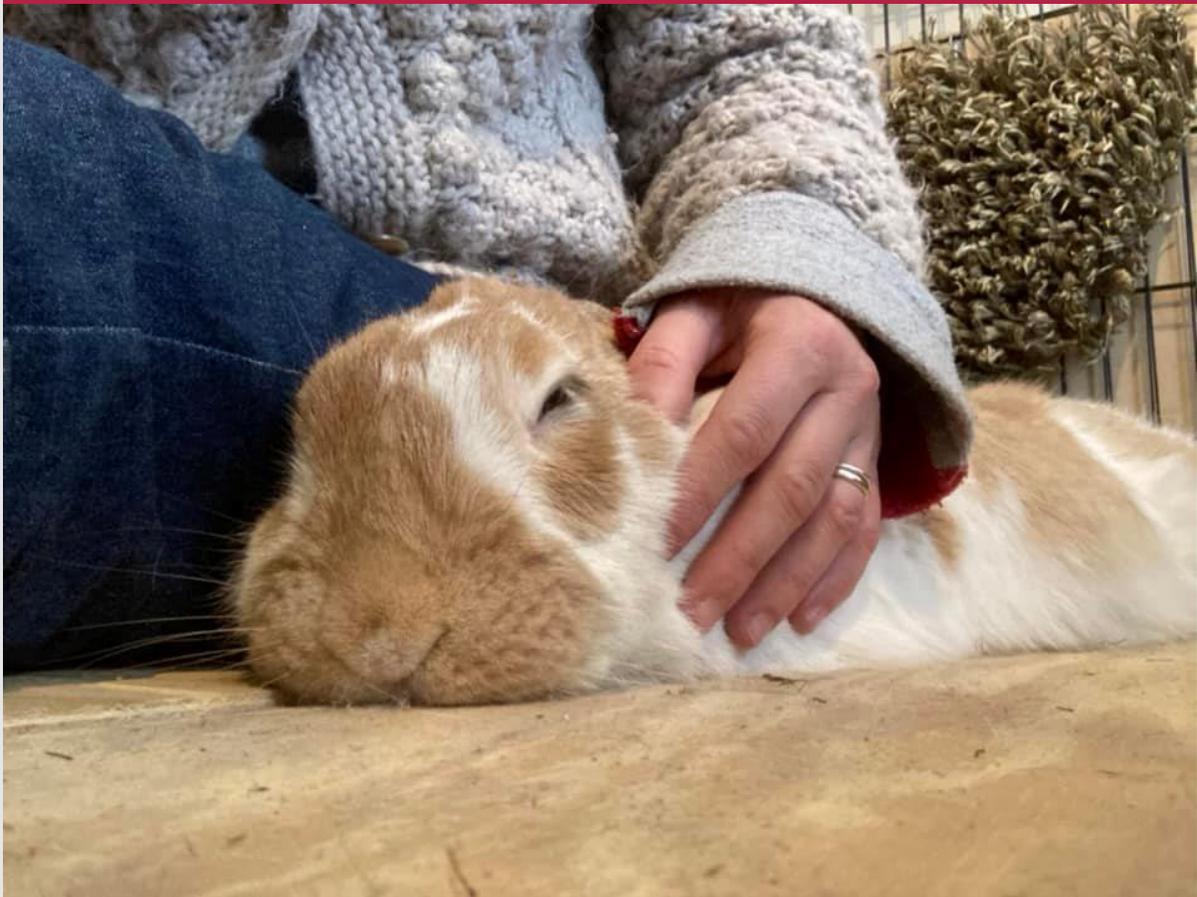
March 2022 Newsletter



CVA Works to Protect Rabbits, Bears, Dogs, Birds and More This Year!

For a short session, a number of animal-related bills have made it to the fore – if not yet the floor – of the CT General Assembly. Some are familiar, some are new, most are backed by CVA except allowing a bear hunt and processing rabbits for food in CT. Many of our supporters have joined in providing testimony for committee hearings on seven different proposals. Click on the links to see CVA's position statements or read more in the articles below.

- [Prohibit the Use of Wild Animals in Traveling Circuses \(HB 5293\)](#)
- [Expanded Killing of "Nuisance Wildlife" -- including Bears --: That Cause Damage to Poultry, Livestock and Bees.\(SB 244\)](#)
- [Require Adequate Shelter for Dogs During Weather Advisories \(HB 5170\)](#)
- [Allow Processing of Rabbits for Food \(HB 5263\) \(See article below.\)](#)
- [Ban Greyhound Racing in CT \(HB 5174\)](#)
- [Ban on Use of Rodenticides in Order to Protect Raptors \(SB 239\) \(See article below.\)](#)
- [Require Veterinary Reporting of Dogs Used in Dogfighting \(SB 235\)](#)



Factory Farming Rabbits in CT? No Way!

CVA supporters were appalled, as were most animal lovers in CT, that as the country recognizes the elevated role of rabbits as household pets, the Connecticut Department of Agriculture (DOAG) chooses to initiate a program that will expedite killing and processing of thousands of rabbits for food. Two committees of the General Assembly heard from animal advocates who said CT's agricultural policy was out of touch with the views held by the State's overall population.

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Joyful Jeannie photo courtesy of Seaside Rabbit Sanctuary for rescued meat rabbits where she now lives

Protect CT Raptors. Say 'No' to Rat Poisons.

A CVA-supported bill (SB 239) to prohibit the use of rodenticides (pesticides that kill rodents and endanger the birds who eat them) on state lands is moving through the legislative process. The original intent of the measure was weakened to include only more potent second-generation rodenticides, limiting its reach. The bill is a good first start, however, raising awareness of what rodenticides do to CT's birds of prey. CVA is monitoring the legislation, which now heads to the floor of the House. Watch for updates and Alerts in the coming weeks.



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Animals in Ukraine Need Your Help!



The Russian invasion of Ukraine has resulted in dire conditions not only for the people of that country, but for animals as well. Many Ukrainians are fleeing their homeland with only what they can carry; sometimes that includes a beloved pet. Many other animals, however, are sadly left behind. With an estimated 50,000 stray animals already in the streets of Ukraine, the nation's animal shelters are feeling the strain. Departing personnel and delivery of food supplies are among the biggest challenges faced by shelter staff. Those dedicated workers – and the animals – are grateful for your donations and support.

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to animals victimized by the war in Ukraine and encourage readers to do their research before making any donations.



Vegan Potato Pancakes: They're not just for Chanukah!

These potato pancakes are amazingly versatile. Eggless and dairy-free, they can be served for breakfast, lunch, dinner or as the perfect side dish to a main meal. And making them is easier than you think!

Don't forget to share your favorite vegan recipe. Email us at info@ctvotesforanimals.org.

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