Maddie’s® Shelter Medicine Externship
Background Information for Student Applicant

About Maddie’s Fund

Founded in 1994, Maddie’s Fund® (www.MaddiesFund.org), is a family foundation whose mission is to revolutionize the status and well-being of companion animals. Its founders, Workday co-founder Dave Duffield and his wife, Cheryl, have endowed the Foundation with more than $300 million. Through fiscal year 2014-15, they have awarded more than $172 million in grants toward increased community lifesaving, shelter medicine education, and pet adoptions across the U.S. The Duffields named Maddie’s Fund after their Miniature Schnauzer, Maddie.

Maddie’s Fund is the fulfillment of a promise to this inspirational dog named Maddie and the creation of a goal towards achieving a no-kill nation where all healthy and treatable shelter dogs and cats are guaranteed a loving home. #ThanksToMaddie

About the No-Kill Movement/Philosophy


Many more resources relating to no-kill can be found here: http://www.maddiesfund.org/topic-evolution-of-the-no-kill-movement.htm

Shelter Medicine’s Role


Why Shelter Data?