

# **AKC IMPACT IN NEW YORK**

The American Kennel Club (AKC) is a not-for-profit organization established in 1884 to promote the study, breeding, exhibiting, and advancement of purebred dogs. Together with our clubs and affiliates, AKC works to advance the health and wellbeing of all dogs, protect the rights of dog owners, and promote responsible dog ownership. We represent more than 5,000 dog clubs nationally, including **220 clubs in the state of New York.** 

The AKC sanctions over 22,000 dog events each year, which generate significant economic benefits to local communities in addition to the millions of dollars AKC dog owners in New York spend annually on their dogs.

#### **AKC DOG EVENTS IN NY (2022)**

**720** EVENTS

83,000 PARTICIPANTS



An increase of 16% in dog events and 30% in dog participation from 2021, respectively.

### DISASTER RELIEF TRAILER



AKC Pet Disaster Relief is a lifesaving program in which AKC Reunite® partners with AKC clubs to donate trailers stocked with equipment to help create a safe, temporary shelter for at least 65 pets before, during, and after a disaster is declared. The trailer's crates and generator can be set up as colocation shelters, where owners can evacuate with their pets, as well as emergency animal shelters for displaced animals.



# **\$2.15** million

## ECONOMIC BENEFIT OF DOG SHOW WEEKEND

Surveys demonstrate that exhibitors at AKC conformation dog shows spend an average of \$982 per show weekend. This means spending by AKC dog show exhibitors for a show weekend could inject more than \$2.15 million into the local economy. And because AKC dog shows are an educational and family-friendly event, large spectator gates can generate additional revenues for cities and towns statewide.

#### **AKC REUNITE ADOPT A K-9 COP GRANTS**

AKC Reunite® and AKC Clubs work together to fund the purchase of law enforcement K-9s for police departments around the United States.

### **NEW YORK POLICE AGENCIES THAT RECEIVED GRANTS**

TOWN OF KENT POLICE DEPARTMENT TOWN OF CARMEL POLICE DEPARTMENT RAMAPO POLICE DEPARTMENT TOWN OF CHESTER POLICE DEPARTMENT TOWN OF ULSTER POLICE DEPARTMENT TOWN OF WARWICK POLICE DEPARTMENT
ORANGE COUNTY SHERIFF'S OFFICE
WALLKILL POLICE DEPARTMENT
VILLAGE OF GOSHEN
ULSTER COUNTY SHERIFF'S OFFICE
NEW WINDSOR POLICE DEPARTMENT

#### SUPPORTING CANINE HEALTH RESEARCH

The AKC Canine Health Foundation (CHF) has invested nearly \$2.3M in canine health research at New York institutions state—wide through the support of 45 projects, research grants, and educational studies to benefit dogs at Cold Spring Harbor Laboratory, Cornell University, the Research Foundation of the State University of New York, and the Animal Medical Center. This research has spanned topics related to general canine health, blood disorders, cardiology, endocrinology, epilepsy, gastrointestinal disease, hepatic disease, musculoskeletal conditions and disease, neurology, oncology including hemangiosarcoma, lymphoma and osteosarcoma, ophthalmology, reproductive conditions and disease, and kidney and urological disease. There are currently 8 active grants which include a project studying the genetic mutational landscape of acute myeloid leukemia in dogs, microbial signatures of periodontitis in dogs, understanding immune—mediated hemolytic anemia, and the transcriptional profiling of canine soft tissue sarcoma. CHF prioritizes a One Health and comparative medicine research approach to diagnose and treat health conditions that affect both ends of the leash while advancing canine health for all dogs.

