The HSUS is the nation's largest and most effective animal protection organization.

- Advocating for better laws to protect animals
- Conducting campaigns to reform industries
- Providing animal rescue and emergency response
- Investigating cases of animal cruelty and working with law enforcement
- Caring for animals through our sanctuaries and wildlife rehabilitation centers, emergency shelters and clinics.
- The nation's most important advocate for local humane societies
Recent NY State Victories:

Dog Fighting Penalties
Research Animal Retirement Act
Statewide Pet Dealer Regs
Shark Fin, Ivory, Rhino Horn Ban
Sale & Possession of Feral Pigs
Public Contact with Big Cats
Chronic Wasting Disease Regs
NYC Live Slaughter Market Moratorium
Mute Swan Management Plan
Local Tethering Laws
National and International Progress

Animal Testing

Farm Animal Protection and MA Question#3

Sea World & Ringling Bros.

Cracking Down on Puppy Mills

**Alaska National Wildlife Refuge Protection**
NYS Bills Defeated:

Ag-Gag
Trapping Snapping Turtles
Mourning Dove Hunt
“Linked” Snare Traps
Dogs as “Crops and Livestock Product”
Countless Accomplishments for Animals

Wild Turkeys Relocated from NYC to Upstate

Hurricane Sandy Response

Emergency Placement Partners

New York Blood Center Campaign

Coordination with Law Enforcement

Upstate Neglect Response
Where do YOU start?
Types of Advocacy

- Personal / peer-to-peer
- Protest or boycott
- Community education
- LEGISLATIVE!
Engaging Elected Officials

- **Call your legislator** – quick and most effective

- **Write your legislator** – email, fax, snail mail

- **Letters to the Editor** – create a public dialogue

- **Attend public meetings** and ask questions relating to animal issues

- **Have personal meetings** with legislative offices

- **Respond to action alerts sent by The HSUS**
What Can You Do RIGHT Now?

• Thank you notes or “no thank you” notes!
• Call to schedule district office meetings
• Attend a Town Hall meeting
• Volunteer with a campaign
• Review recent voting record and write LTE offering praise or holding accountable
• Plan to attend Humane Lobby Day
• Volunteer with a local organization or shelter
• Take action on state/federal legislation as requested
NYC Legislation - Intro 1233

NYC Public Hearing on Bill to Ban Wild Animals in Circuses

NYC Council Member
Corey Johnson
Intro 1233 Co-sponsor

THE COUNCIL
Committee on Health
Defeat S.372
Legalizing “relaxed” snare traps.
STOP S.J. Resolution 18

#attackonanimals
S.J. Resolution 18 will revoke the U.S. Fish and Wildlife Service (FWS) rule that would prohibit controversial and scientifically unjustified killing methods on over 76 million acres of federal lands in Alaska. Please contact your senator today to prevent wildlife from being hunted on federal refuges.
S.J. Res 18 would permit the following egregious hunting methods that the FWS rule bans:

- Using airplanes to scout grizzly bears for trophy hunters to shoot on land;
- Luring grizzly bears with rotting meat, grease and pet food to get a point blank kill;
- Killing wolf and coyote mothers and their pups at den sites;
- Killing hibernating black bear mothers and their cubs at the den; and,
- Trapping of grizzly bears and black bears with cruel steel-jawed leghold traps and wire snares.
Please make a brief, polite phone call to your U.S Senators:

"Please oppose Joint Resolution 18 which would revoke the FWS rule protecting wildlife on Alaska national wildlife refuges from cruel hunting methods."
Senator Charles Schumer
(202) 224-6542

Senator Kirsten Gillibrand
(202) 224-4451
The Trump Administration: What's in Store for Animals?
By Catskill Animal Sanctuary
Thursday, March 9, 6:30 PM – 8:30 PM

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