

Exciting news!

Green Mountain Animal Defenders has emBARKed upon a new project to help Vermont animals.



GMAD's P.A.W.S. [Providing All Weather Shelter] Project will provide doghouses for dogs in Vermont who are currently chained outside full time. GMAD is partnering with Burlington Technical Center and Friends of Vermont Dogs for this project.

The students in BTC's Principles of Engineering, Architecture and Construction are currently in the process of constructing four doghouses. Friends of Vermont Dogs has already identified two dogs who are in need of doghouses. The construction of the initial doghouse should be complete by the first week of February.

Here is how you can get involved and help make a difference in the quality of life for these dogs:

- GMAD needs volunteers to stain, paint and transport the doghouses.
- GMAD is solely funding the PAWS project, so donations towards materials are needed.
- Also, if you see a dog who is always chained outside with no shelter, please contact your local animal control officer or you can report your concerns to: www.reportanimalcruelty.com (*your report may be anonymous*)

Please note that a dog maintained out-of-doors must be provided with suitable housing that assures that the dog is protected from wind and draft, and from excessive sun, rain and other environmental hazards throughout the year.

GMAD is hoping to expand the PAWS project next year by building more doghouses and shelters for feral cats too. Please email us at Brenna@gmad.info for more information!