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The Animal Assistance Foundation of Colorado Announces New Executive Director

EC Michaels brings more than a decade in animal welfare, leadership and public administration experience

November 19, 2020 Lakewood, CO – The Animal Assistance Foundation Board of Directors is proud to announce that EC Michaels is joining AAF as its new Executive Director. EC previously worked in various roles at the Dumb Friends League, the Foothills Animal Shelter and as a consultant to animal welfare organizations across the country.

“I am thrilled to join the Animal Assistance Foundation which is such a vital resource in advancing animal welfare across Colorado,” said EC Michaels. “I’ve had the opportunity to work with many animal welfare agencies throughout the state and I know the tremendous impact AAF has produced both through their strategic grant making as well as their thought leadership,” she added.

EC served as Assistant Director of Operations and Veterinary Services at Foothills Animal Shelter for two years. Prior to that she was a Transfer Manager for the Dumb Friends League where she also worked as a Foster Coordinator and Customer Care Technician during her tenure. EC has a certificate in Animals and Human Health through the University of Denver Institute for Human Animal Connection. She is completing her Master’s degree in Public Administration at the University of Colorado, Denver.

“EC not only has great experience in Colorado animal welfare but also a track record of building relationships and forming collaborations across the state,” said Donna Middlebrooks, AAF Board Chair. “She has an understanding of both the challenges as well as the opportunities in improving situations for pets, people and communities. We look forward to her leadership in advancing the mission of AAF,” she added.

EC lives in Denver with her fiancé and two rescue dogs, Lulu and Mortie.

The Animal Assistance Foundation

Formed in 1975, AAF is the only foundation devoted solely to advancing the welfare of companion animals in Colorado, serving as a resource and agent for positive impact through community investment, collaboration and leadership. AAF is a Socially Conscious Welfare Organization. For more information: https://www.aaf-fd.org/

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