

# The Animal Union Member Organization Agreement

I, \_\_\_\_\_, represent and am acting on behalf of the board of  
(print name)  
\_\_\_\_\_ ["the Organization"].  
(print organization name)

In order to receive funds through The Animal Union **the Organization hereby affirms and agrees to the following:**

1. The Organization is a 501(c)(3) tax-exempt organization.
2. The Organization is headquartered in Alameda, Contra Costa, Marin, Napa, San Francisco, San Mateo, Santa Clara, Solano or Sonoma Counties.
3. As of the date below, the Organization has no paid officers or staff. All persons working on behalf of the Organization are volunteers. This is reflected in the Organization's latest IRS Form 990 tax return.
4. The Organization will provide copies of, or links to, all documents and statistics requested by The Animal Union, as listed on the *Rescue Group Requirements* page of The Animal Union's website (TheAU.org/rescue-group-reqs).
5. The Organization will not discuss or disclose Animal Union-related information, meeting minutes or other internal business or communications with others outside of The Animal Union or the Organization without permission of an Animal Union board member or officer.
6. The Organization fully waives all liability and claims against The Animal Union, including its directors, officers, representatives, volunteers, partners, contractors, member organizations, and clients, for traffic accidents, moving or stationary vehicle violations, loss or destruction of personal items, loss of employment income, or bodily injury or illness suffered by those working on behalf of the Organization or others while traveling to or from or attending any meeting or function, performing any service, or participating in any capacity with The Animal Union.
7. Though The Animal Union will make every effort to raise funds on behalf of, or provide funds to, the Organization this Agreement does not legally bind The Animal Union to do so, nor does it guarantee funding of specific projects or expenses.
8. The Organization pledges not to use funds or other forms of support provided through The Animal Union for any person, persons or expenses other than the specific objectives or expenses for which the Organization applies.
9. By signing this Agreement the Organization becomes a member organization of The Animal Union until such membership is terminated in writing by either The Animal Union or the Organization.

\_\_\_\_\_  
(date)

\_\_\_\_\_  
(signature)

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(print name)