



**The Canadian Foundation  
for Animal Assisted Support Services**

## **CFAS**

### **Vision Statement**

Our corporate vision is being the philanthropic leader that supports the innovation, coordination, and integration of Animal-Assisted Support Services within Canada's health-care, social services, corrections, and justice sectors.

### **Mission Statement**

Our mission is to build healthier and safer communities, for both people and animals, by investing in the human-animal bond, one of Canada's most precious natural resources.

**CFAS is a National Public Health Disability Foundation**

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# Animal-Assisted Support Services

**Animal Assisted programs, services and activities involve partnerships with animals in treatment or for assistance to improve functional capabilities, quality of life, and social inclusion©.**



**The Human-Animal Bond – One of Canada's Most Precious Natural Resources**

## An Aspiring Vision



***That as many people and animals as possible experience love just for being through the human-animal bond experience.  
Why is this important? Because love changes everything.***

## We aim to:

1. Unite stakeholders to identify core values and common priorities.
2. Stimulate collaborative action in the spirit of cooperation.
3. Inspire a consistent level of quality, safety and fun around animals.
4. Support related charities and those they serve.
5. Ensure the sustainability, credibility, and availability of exceptional Animal-Assisted Support Services to vulnerable populations.
6. Carry out the Foundation's charitable programs and activities through research, education and community engagement.



# Outreach Scope

## Visible and Invisible Disabilities, Chronic Disease & Workplace Injuries

### Animal Assisted Support Services

- Animal-Assisted Therapy/Activities
- Equine Facilitated Learning
- Equine Leadership Development
- Equine Wellness (clinical model)
- Guide and Assistance Dogs
- Hippo-Therapy
- Military Assistance Dogs
- Service Dogs
- Therapeutic Riding
- Therapeutic Farms
- Trail Riding



### Range of Disabilities & Impediments

- Chronic Illnesses
- Developmental Disabilities
- Brain Injuries
- Hearing Impairments
- Mental Health Challenges
- Mobility Impairments
- Substance Abuse / Addictions
- Visual Impairments
- Workplace Injuries...

## Member of the Health Charities Coalition of Canada



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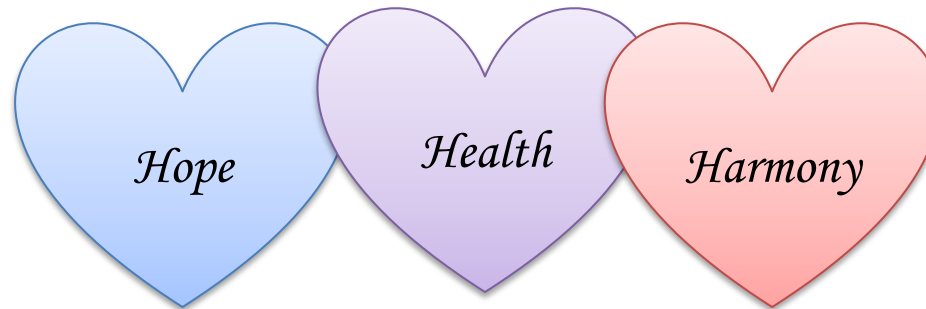
# Gap Fillers and Dot Connectors



# The Victors Program Research Project

## Funded by Justice Canada's Victims Fund

*Canine-Assisted Community Transformation*  
*A Pathway To*







# Canine-Assisted Victim Services Snapshot



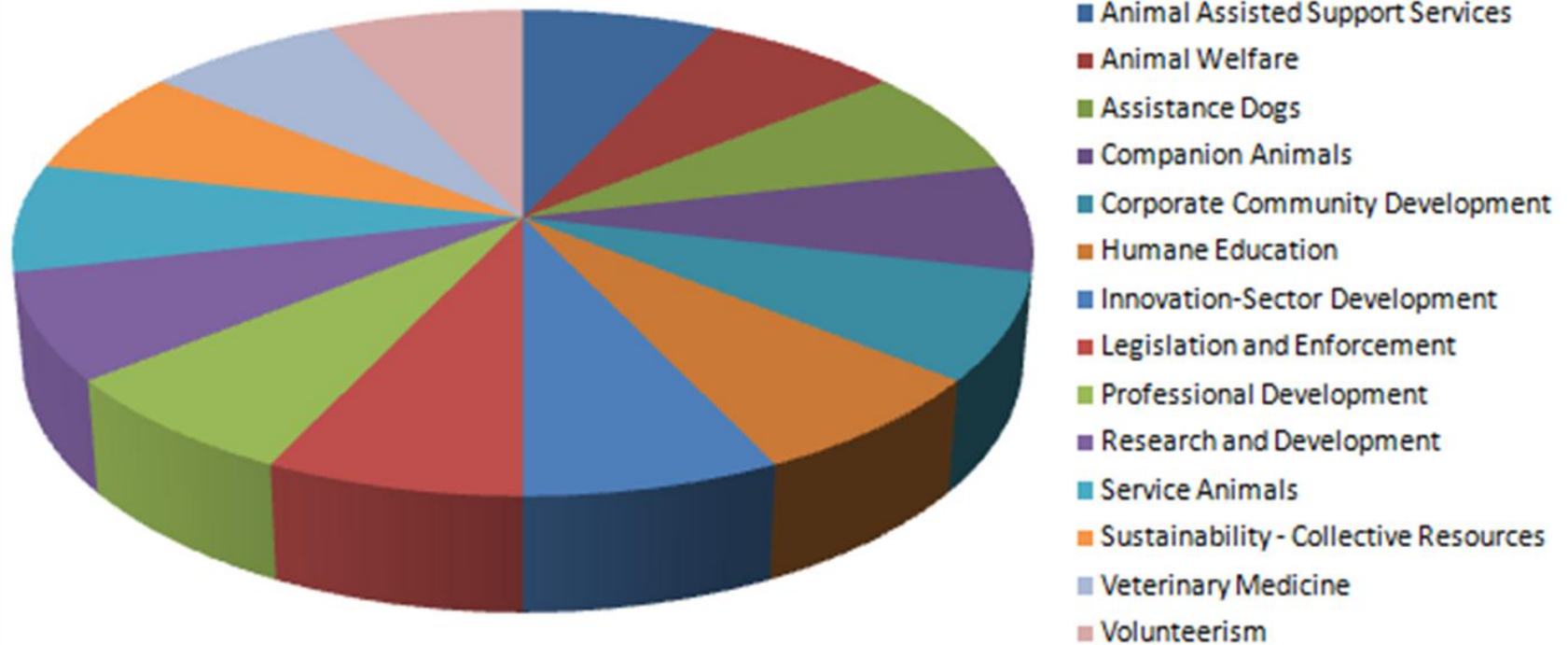
# Ask What's PawsAble!



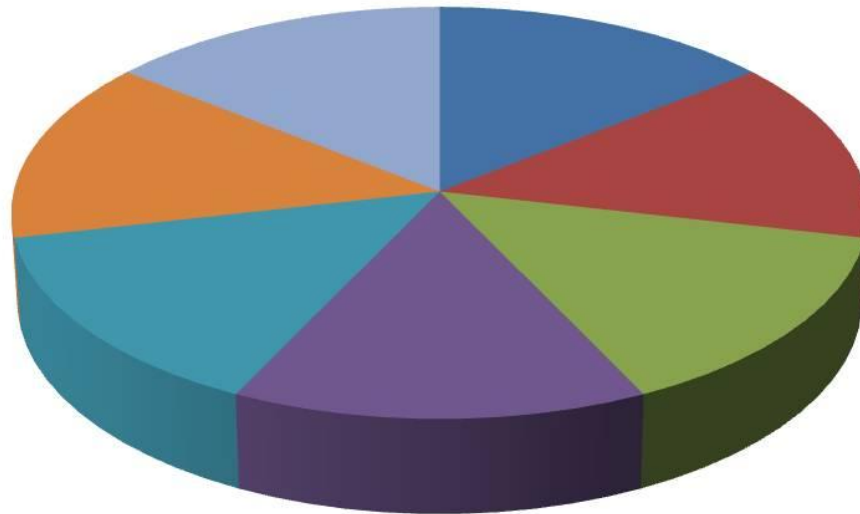
# CFAS' Integrated Vision

## A Catalyst for a Collective Call to Action

**The Human-Animal Bond Industry**



## Just Imagine!



- Relief of Poverty
- Sports and Recreation
- Advancement of Education
- Advancement of Religion
- Advancement of the Human-Animal Bond
- Public and Private Foundations
- Other Charities

# ONE HEALTH LENS

## A HOLISTIC INTEGRATED APPROACH



**Seamless ⇒ Sustainability ⇒ Stewardship ⇒ Social Impact**



# Imagine! A National Annual Grants Program by 2020



Listen to Me

Hear Me

Inform Me

Empower Me

Connect With Me

Engage Me



Prevention  
(Healthcare &  
Social Services)

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AAA



Emergency  
Preparedness  
(Justice System)

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Countering Crime  
(Public Safety)

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Animal Welfare

Husbandry

Training

Rescue

Vet Care

Insurance



Quality Assurance

Sector

Development

Credibility Chain

One Health, One Voice, One Community and One Continuum of Care

# What's Pa sible!

**Development of  
National Standards**

**Establish Best Practices &  
National Occupation  
Classifications**

**Manage Risk**

**Co-Create a Common Language**



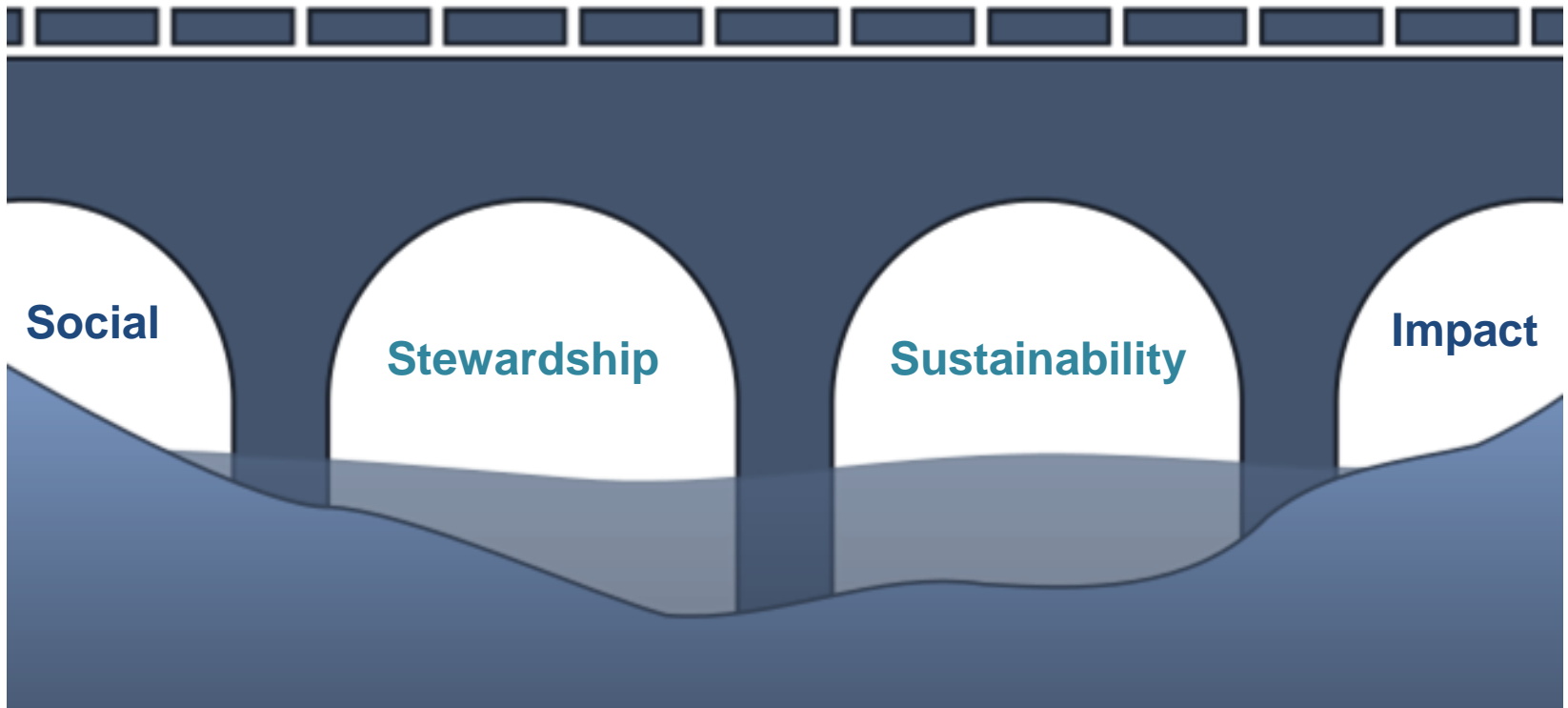
# PawsAble Next Steps

Host a 2017 National Conference

Roll Out the  
Guide to Canine-Assisted  
Community Transformation

# Innovation!

The result of fearing less and loving more.



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*‘What we do for ourselves die’s with us, but what we do for others is our legacy.’*

*Author: Joanne Moss, Founder and National Director*

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