

Animal rights groups have no expertise in regards to any animal.

One of these groups is horribly misunderstood by the general public, and are masters at manipulating the media.

The general public in their willingness to help animals, donate millions of dollars a year to the Humane Society of the United States.

The Humane Society of the United States **is not a government organization**. Donations are not going to help local humane societies.

Funds are used to create propaganda materials that make their way into public schools. Some funds are being used to finance lobbying efforts to introduce legislation that will make animal products cost prohibitive to all but the wealthiest Americans. HSUS wants to put an end to all hunting, fishing, circuses; basically any endeavor that involves animals.

Thanks to their initiative, horse slaughter houses were closed throughout the United States. Now there are thousands of unwanted horses being turned loose.

If you want to help animals and not a political machine, please donate to your LOCAL animal shelters and breed specific rescue groups.

DFOW is a volunteer organization.

Members include individual pet owners and breeders, dog clubs, veterinarians, and breed specific rescue volunteers.

DFOW works with elected officials to try to help with laws that make sense and do not cause hardship on responsible dog owners.

DFOW's membership base consists of the most knowledgeable people in Wisconsin in regards to dogs.

We can provide elected officials with substantiated materials regarding the proper way to raise dogs; why breed specific legislation, mandatory spay/neuter, and pet limits do not work, and why intrusive laws can actually create public health risks by driving people underground to protect their pets.



The Dog Federation of Wisconsin is registered with the State of Wisconsin for lobbying efforts. Our lobbyist is Gary Goyke.

Please notify DFOW if your community is considering revising their existing animal code.

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Educational Series

“Who are the animal experts?”

Restrictive legislation is being introduced in many States by organizations that claim expertise in animal matters.

This brochure will explain why these organizations are not the experts and who the experts really are.

Who are the dog experts?

True dog experts come from many walks of life:

Hobbyists
Dog Trainers
Conscientious Breeders
Dog Clubs
4-H Children

Veterinarians that specialize in canine reproduction or genetics

These people understand canine diversity. They know that you cannot raise a toy breed of dog in the same manner as an arctic breed. Though there are areas in common, only a true canine expert knows these things.

When legislation is introduced by people that are not canine experts but snake oil salesmen, legislators would do best for their constituents by consulting with the true experts.



Irresponsible animal owners give animal rights groups the tools they need to spread their propaganda.

How many times have you heard of puppies being raised in deplorable conditions? That citizens must contact their legislators and demand that something be done?

The tools to do something are already in place. If anyone sells dogs for wholesale trade, or brokers, or has dog auctions, they must be licensed by USDA. USDA has standards of care that must be followed or the licensee will be fined and/or have their license suspended.

Wisconsin has existing laws that have been utilized to prosecute people who treat animals badly.

Breeders whose dogs are registered with the American Kennel Club must abide by AKC rules and regulations and are subject to inspection by AKC. The American Kennel Club will not tolerate kennels in deplorable condition or animal cruelty.

If you witness animal cruelty, contact your local law enforcement agency.

Who are the livestock experts?

When a person earns their livelihood from animals, they are the



experts. They have researched and studied what husbandry methods work best. Oftentimes they belong to agricultural co-operatives, sharing knowledge and methods with others in the organization.

These people understand what is best for their animals; they must in order to provide for themselves and their families. Poorly raised animals are not conducive for good business practices. Livestock producers, poultry and egg producers as well as dairy concerns are under attack by groups that claim they know what is best for THEIR animals.

Who are other animal experts?



These are the same type of experts noted under dog experts. Hobbyists, conscientious breeders, veterinarians that specialize in a particular species.

Insist that local government enforce existing law instead of creating greater tax payer burden by creating new laws.