

## **Rescue Bank ® & McCollister's** National Pet Food Distribution Program



Each year, millions of pounds of pet food are donated by brand name manufacturers for delivery by Rescue Bank® to pre-qualified animal welfare non-profits throughout America. Operating on the national food bank model, Rescue Bank® depends on regional non-profit Affiliate Distributors to deliver donated pet food to rescues, shelters and social service agencies in their community. Rescue Bank® schedules and pays for the freight to deliver donations to a regional distribution center where it is picked up by pre-qualified non-profit groups. McCollister's in West Chicago, while partnering with CrÈme De La CrÈme Animal Foundation, is one of Rescue Bank's local Midwest partners!

For the 3<sup>rd</sup> time in under 6 months, McCollister's was the host to a pet food distribution that ultimately helped feed thousands of animals! On Saturday, March 7<sup>th</sup>, over 10 volunteers helped to successfully distribute over 80,000 pounds of cat and dog food to over 42 no-kill animal rescues! Rescue groups came to McCollister's from Illinois, Indiana, Michigan and Wisconsin. With the help of our warehouse crew, pallets of food that arrived the previous week were inventoried, divided and sorted to ensure that distribution day ran as fast and efficient as possible.

Without the help of McCollister's, thousands of animals would be denied the necessary feeding they deserve. Rescues can, in turn, spend more of their funding for care of the animals and to Spay and Neuter which will ultimately reduce the numbers of homeless animals.



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