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9TH ANNUAL CATHERINE'S BUTTERFLY PARTY RETURNS TO NEWTOWN ON JUNE 7, 2025

Free Family Festival with Mega Pet Adoption Event Celebrates Compassion and Community

NEWTOWN, CT - The Catherine Violet Hubbard Animal Sanctuary is thrilled to announce the return of its beloved annual event, Catherine's Butterfly Party, now in its ninth year. This free, family-friendly festival with mega pet adoption event will take place on **Saturday, June 7, 2025**, from **12:00 PM to 4:00 PM** at the **Fairfield Hills Campus**, located at **3 Primrose Street, Newtown, CT**.

Held in honor of Catherine Violet Hubbard, a first grader who lost her life in the Sandy Hook tragedy, the event celebrates her enduring love for all animals. Catherine's Butterfly Party has grown into one of Connecticut's most anticipated community gatherings, drawing over 12,000 attendees annually.

Event Highlights:

- **Mega Pet Adoption Event:** Featuring over 25 animal rescue organizations with more than 200 adoptable animals, including dogs, cats, rabbits, guinea pigs, birds, horses, and more.
- **Educational Exhibits:** Wildlife, farm animals, amphibian and reptile ambassador educators, and K-9 demonstrations.
- **Family Fun:** Face painting, crafts, vendors, artisans, food trucks, live music, entertainment, and endless activities for kids.

Thanks to generous sponsors, Catherine's Butterfly Party remains **free to the public and participating rescues**, allowing animal welfare groups to focus on finding loving homes for animals in need.

“We are so excited to welcome back Catherine’s Butterfly Party this summer and gather again with the community in celebration of Catherine’s life and the animals she loved so much,” said Jenny Hubbard, president of the Catherine Violet Hubbard Animal Sanctuary and Catherine’s mother. “This event is always held near Catherine’s birthday and we can’t imagine a better way to honor her legacy of kindness for all creatures.”

Event Details:

- **Date:** Saturday, June 7, 2025
- **Time:** 12pm - 4pm
- **Location:** Fairfield Hills Campus, 3 Primrose Street, Newtown, CT 06470
- **Admission:** FREE for all ages

For more information about Catherine’s Butterfly Party, visit: CVHFOUNDATION.ORG

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About the Catherine Violet Hubbard Animal Sanctuary:

NATIONAL WINNER OF THE AMERICAN BUSINESS AWARDS 2025 GOLD STEVIE® AWARDS FOR NON-PROFIT ORGANIZATION AND THOUGHT LEADER OF THE YEAR

The Catherine Violet Hubbard Animal Sanctuary is nestled in the very heart of Newtown, spread over 34 acres of pristine farmland, breathtaking woodlands and rolling meadows. Visitors are welcome to explore the extensive hiking & equestrian trails, savor the 90,000 square foot pollinator habitat or have a quiet picnic at the pavilion. The sanctuary property is located at 8 Commerce Road in Newtown and is open to the public from dawn until dusk.

Created in 2013, the sanctuary pays tribute to the life of Catherine Violet Hubbard, a six-year-old victim of the Sandy Hook Elementary School tragedy. Through educational curriculum and community workshops, and a commitment to land stewardship and conservation, the sanctuary continues to make remarkable strides to keep animals free from harm in homes and native habitats. In addition, the sanctuary’s groundbreaking Senior Paw Project supports hundreds of senior pet owners residing in affordable and municipal housing communities throughout Connecticut and Massachusetts by providing monthly pet food delivered direct to door, veterinary well care/prescriptive support, and foster/respite care. From the sanctuary’s little lending library to goat yoga & llama hikes, to free and low-cost educational programs for families and children, it’s a destination for all.

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