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Yannone, Lyndsay

From: Call, Planner On
Sent: Monday, June 1, 2026 5:55 AM
To: Yannone, Lyndsay
Subject: Fw: support/LLDCU-2025-35

Good morning Lyndsay,

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Kind Regards,

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Thank you!
Amy Sanz
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I have been following Stefanie with Crossed Paws for years. Her life is all about the weak, abused, unwanted animals. She goes out at all hours of the night and day to rescue an animal. She knows what she is doing and she does it

good. She has saved so many animals, mainly dogs. She loves them and they love her. She gives them a chance that someone else didn't. She is a no nonsense person because she is fighting for the animals. She does all of this either using her own money or donations. I only wish I could do what she does. She is an awesome rescue and I am so glad she is in this county. We need her.

Amy Sanz

Sent from my iPhone



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Whom It May Concern,

I am writing to provide a character reference for Stefanie and Crossed Paws Pet Rescue.

I have been involved with Crossed Paws Pet Rescue as both a volunteer and foster for approximately ten years. During that time, I have had the opportunity to work closely with Stefanie and observe firsthand the dedication, compassion, and integrity she brings to animal rescue every day.

Animal rescue is often a challenging and emotionally demanding field, requiring countless hours of work, difficult decisions, and an unwavering commitment to the welfare of the animals in care. Throughout the years I have known her, Stefanie has consistently demonstrated that commitment. She has always prioritized the health, safety, and well-being of the dogs entrusted to her rescue.

As a foster and volunteer, I have personally witnessed the level of care provided to the animals. Stefanie works tirelessly to ensure dogs receive appropriate veterinary care, proper nutrition, safe housing, and the opportunity to find loving, permanent homes. She takes the responsibility of caring for these animals seriously and approaches every situation with compassion and professionalism.

What has always stood out to me most is her willingness to go above and beyond for animals in need. Whether dealing with medical cases, behavioral challenges, or emergency situations, she consistently puts the dogs' best interests first. Her dedication extends not only to the animals but also to the volunteers, fosters, adopters, and supporters who help make the rescue's mission possible.

Over the past decade, I have seen firsthand the positive impact Crossed Paws Pet Rescue has had on countless animals and families. Stefanie's leadership, work ethic, and genuine compassion are a large part of that success.

I am grateful for the opportunity to have worked alongside her and would confidently recommend Stefanie and Crossed Paws Pet Rescue. If additional information is needed, I would be happy to provide further details regarding my experience with the organization.

Sincerely,

Tori Thompson
Volunteer and Foster

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To: Yannone, Lyndsay
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Good morning Lyndsay,

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To Whom It May Concern,

I am pleased to provide this letter of recommendation for Stefanie Badillo of Crossed Paws Pet Rescue.

My family has had the privilege of working with Stefanie through the adoption of our dog, and my mother also adopted a dog through her rescue organization. Through these experiences, we have seen firsthand the exceptional care, dedication, and integrity Stefanie brings to animal rescue.

Stefanie is deeply committed to the well-being of every animal in her care. She goes above and beyond to ensure that rescued pets receive proper veterinary care, including vaccinations, spaying or neutering, and any other necessary medical treatment before adoption. Her attention to detail and commitment to responsible rescue practices are evident in every step of the adoption process.

What impresses me most is her genuine concern for finding the right match between pets and their new families. Stefanie takes the time to learn about both the animals and prospective adopters to help ensure successful, lasting placements. She clearly prioritizes the long-term welfare of the animals rather than simply placing them as quickly as possible.

Stefanie's compassion, professionalism, and dedication have made a positive impact on countless animals and families, including ours. We are grateful for the care she provided and the wonderful pets she helped bring into our lives.

I wholeheartedly recommend Stefanie Badillo and Crossed Paws Pet Rescue. She is a person of outstanding character who consistently demonstrates responsibility, kindness, and a genuine commitment to animal welfare.

Sincerely,
Ginnie Chapman

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Good morning Lyndsay,

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Good Evening,

This letter is to support Crossed Paws Pet Rescue (Stefanie Badillo)

I've known Ms. Stefanie since 2016. I followed the rescue page on Facebook, and quickly became a supporter. The endless hours, love, and care that Ms. Stefanie gives to ALL of her animals, is like no other. I donated personally, and even had a "give back to the community fundraiser" at my employer (Coca-Cola, Auburndale) where Crossed Paws was nominated and chosen to receive a donation, from money raised amongst the employees.

My father's health isn't the best, and unfortunately he had to make the decision to let his fur baby cross the rainbow bridge. After a some time of healing, Ms. Stefanie helped him find his perfect companion.

She doesn't just place dogs in homes, she thoroughly finds the right home, to assure the dogs won't end up back on the streets.

My previous partner and I, also adopted 2 dogs from Crossed Paws. These dogs are all very well taken care of, up to date on their vaccines, and spayed/neutered. Their kennels are always clean, and if there's something in particular a dog needs, she gets it!

Ms. Stefanie Badillo, always does the best for all the animals in her care. Ive seen her in the swamps, under houses,,in traffic, in the dark..(some places, I wouldn't go in, in daylight) just to save a dog. She's truly "The dog whisperer"

Kimberly Singletary

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Good morning Lyndsay,

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From: Bonnie Binns <BBinns@CoveCommunities.Com>
Sent: Friday, May 29, 2026 4:21 PM
To: Call, Planner On <PlannerOnCall@polkfl.gov>
Cc: contact@crossedpawspetrescue.org <contact@crossedpawspetrescue.org>
Subject: support/LDCU-2025-35

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Good Afternoon,
Please find noted below a letter regarding Stefanie Badillo owner/operator of Crossed Paws Pet Rescue:

Bonnie M. Binns
9513 Fountain Terrace
Lakeland, Florida 33810
863-209-2887

May 29, 2026

SUBJECT: support/LDCU-2025-35

ATTN: PlannerOnCall@polk-county.net

To Whom It May Concern,

I am writing to provide a character reference for Stefanie Badillo owner of Crossed Paws Pet Resue and her organization that I have had the privilege of knowing and supporting since 2018.

Based on my adoption of my fox terrier, Foxy Joy in November 2018, I found her rescue to be compassionate, ethical, and committed to each pet's welfare. Her motto is: "My dogs come first, every time." Her efforts extend beyond basic shelter, encompassing medical care, behavioral assistance, and nurturing foster placements to maximize each animal's prospects for a healthy, fulfilling life. Stefanie's expertise in this area was highlighted on local news after she successfully caught a dog that had been on the loose for an extended period, even though Polk County authorities had been unable to do so.

The team, under Stefanie's leadership at Crossed Paws Pet Rescue, exhibits outstanding diligence in their adoption procedures by thoughtfully pairing dogs and pets with suitable families to promote enduring compatibility. Through transparent operations, adherence to ethical standards, and consistent advocacy for animal welfare, they have established credibility and garnered respect within the community. She has a fantastic policy where she will immediately take back a dog from her adoption that needs to be rehomed and has helped several senior residents in the Cypress Lakes Retirement Community.

I have observed dogs and pets entering in a state of fear, neglect, or injury and subsequently departing healthy, confident, and well cared for, demonstrating the organization's dedication and expertise. She never gives up on a dog!

I confidently endorse Stefanie Badillo and Crossed Paws Pet Rescue as reputable, reliable, and compassionate. I recommend them for partnership, grant consideration, or community support should the opportunities arise.

If you require further information, please feel free to contact me at 863-209-2887.

Sincerely,

Bonnie Binns

Satisfied Adopter since 2018

"Together we are better..."

John Paul Warren

Bonnie Binns, Courtesy Patrol Manager

Cypress Lakes Village

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Cell: 863-209-2887

bbinns@covecommunities.com



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Sent: Monday, June 1, 2026 5:45 AM
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Good morning Lyndsay,

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From: Jean Gallagher <gallagherjean9@gmail.com>
Sent: Friday, May 29, 2026 3:51 PM
To: Call, Planner On <PlannerOnCall@polkfl.gov>
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Hello, my name is Jean Gallagher.

I have been a Polk County resident since 2001. I wanted to take this time to let you know what a gem you have residing in this county (if you're not already aware).

Stefanie Badillo, founder of the Crossed Paws Pet Rescue, and her crew, have been doing an outstanding job helping stray, abandoned, and harmed animals. She and her helpers go out of their way to help these animals out of true love and respect for life. I have never met a more determined and fearless woman in all my days. I have seen her crawl under some of the scariest places, not concerned for herself, but concerned for the dogs, puppies and occasional cats. She doesn't hesitate driving miles to desolate areas to trap an animal in need.

Stefanie shows these animals the love they need, sometimes on their last days on earth. I don't know if the county can provide resources and assistance for her in any way, but she surely can use any help she can get.

She is truly an Angel on Earth!

Thank you for your time,

Jean Gallagher

Sent from my iPad

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From: Call, Planner On
Sent: Friday, May 29, 2026 3:28 PM
To: Simons-Irizarry, Lisa; Yannone, Lyndsay
Subject: Re: support/ LDCU-2025-35

Hello,

Please see attached thread. Please and thanks!

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From: Jenna Caley <millerslegacydogrescue@gmail.com>

Sent: Friday, May 29, 2026 3:23 PM

To: Call, Planner On <PlannerOnCall@polkfl.gov>

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Hi there, I am writing in support of Stephanie Badillo, and her business, Crossed Paws Pet Rescue. Stephanie is a wonderful human being and not only cares immensely for dogs, but for humans and her community. She has saved countless dogs over the years and helped countless people with their pets. She directly helps with the pet overpopulation crisis in the area through her mission of saving, vetting, and rehabilitating dogs. I have been partnered with her for several years and have been able to see her amazing work and heart first hand.

Jenna Snowman-Caley
Owner/Founder
Miller's Legacy Dog Rescue and Rehab
207-322-8742

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From: Call, Planner On
Sent: Friday, May 29, 2026 3:32 PM
To: Simons-Irizarry, Lisa; Yannone, Lyndsay
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From: Dollie Jenkins <dolliesjenkins@gmail.com>
Sent: Friday, May 29, 2026 2:51 PM
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It is my pleasure to write this letter of recommendation for Stefanie Badillo.

I have had the privilege of knowing Stefanie through her work in animal rescue, and I can confidently say that she is one of the most dedicated, compassionate, and hardworking individuals I have ever met. Her commitment to helping dogs in our community goes far beyond what most people would consider a volunteer effort, it is truly her life's passion.

Stefanie is honest, reliable, selfless, and fiercely dedicated to the animals in her care. She works tirelessly day and night to rescue, rehabilitate, and advocate for dogs that often have nowhere else to turn. Whether she is coordinating rescues, fundraising, educating the public, or providing direct care to animals in need, she consistently gives 100 percent of herself to the cause.

One of the most remarkable things about Stefanie is the trust and support she has earned within the community. She has built a strong network of thousands of followers and donors on social media who have witnessed firsthand her determination, integrity, and unwavering commitment to animal welfare. In addition, numerous businesses and organizations have chosen to support her rescue efforts through donations and fundraisers, which speaks volumes about the confidence others have in both her character and her mission.

Stefanie has a unique ability to make people feel like family. She is straightforward and honest, never afraid to speak the truth, but always does so from a place of genuine care and concern. Her authenticity, loyalty, and passion inspire those around her and have helped create a community of supporters who share her dedication to saving lives.

Without hesitation, I recommend Stefanie Badillo. She is a person of exceptional character whose compassion, work ethic, and devotion to helping animals make a meaningful difference in the lives of countless dogs and the people who support her mission.

Sincerely,
Dollie Jenkins

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LaDawna "Dollie" Jenkins

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"Above all, be the heroine of your life, not the victim."

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From: Inglima, Aleya
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Aleya Perreira-Inglima

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From: Jennifer Breton <jen112568@yahoo.com>
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Dear Sir/Madam, I am writing to express my support for Stephanie Badillo and Crossed Paws Rescue. I have been acquainted with Stephanie and her exceptional work with animals since before the establishment of her 501(c)(3) organization. Her unwavering commitment to the well-being of animals and residents in Polk County is truly commendable. Stephanie not only rescues dogs and cats from Polk County, but she also provides essential resources such as food, veterinary care, and education to pet owners to help them care for their animals. Her efforts in educating Polk County residents on proper dog and cat care are invaluable. Having been the founder and director of a rescue in Polk County for many years, I can personally attest to the level of care, dedication, and advocacy that Stephanie extends to the animals in Polk County, Florida. When my circumstances led me to relocate to Maine, I knew that Crossed Paws Rescue, under Stephanie's leadership, was the one organization we would continue to support. Stephanie ensures that the animals in her care are well-maintained, well-fed, and receive necessary veterinary attention and enrichment activities. Due to my confidence in Stephanie and Crossed Paws Rescue, I have facilitated networking opportunities with rescues in Maine to transfer dogs from Polk County. The feedback from Maine rescues who have collaborated with Stephanie has been consistently positive, highlighting the excellent condition and veterinary care of the animals. The closure of Crossed Paws Rescue would have a significant impact on Polk County, which is currently facing an animal crisis with one of the highest euthanasia rates in the state. Losing this vital resource would only exacerbate the existing challenges.

Should you require any further assistance or information, please feel free to contact me at your convenience.

Thank you for your time and consideration. Sincerely,

Jennifer White

jen112568@yahoo.com

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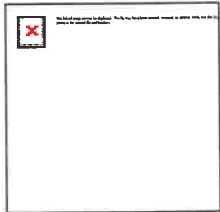
From: Call, Planner On
Sent: Monday, June 1, 2026 10:01 AM
To: Simons-Irizarry, Lisa; Yannone, Lyndsay
Subject: Fw: Support LDCU-2025-35

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From: Marsha Tynon <landonsnana2010@gmail.com>

Sent: Sunday, May 31, 2026 11:11 AM

To: Call, Planner On <PlannerOnCall@polkfl.gov>

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I am writing in support of Crossed Paws Pet Rescue in Polk County owned by Stefani Badillo. I have known Stefani over 15 years as we share a common love of animals. Her dedication to the rescue of injured, abandoned, dumped & surrendered dogs & cats on occasion is inspiring. She will stop at nothing to care for these animals, they receive vet care & nutritious food. Bottle feeding if required & any other special needs. She started small but as the need grew, she began searching for land to meet the needs of her rescue. She worked for months to build the proper space needed for her rescues. She works hard making sure each dog in her care is rehabilitated & healed from any injury & fed properly so they can be adopted to a loving home. The dogs are not given away, she has a contract & does background checks to make sure the dogs will have a safe home & will be loved & cared for. The dogs come first, always. Crossed Paws was even featured on a local television station. I am honored to know & support Stefani in her mission to ADOPT dogs who are rescued, NOT boarded. She is strictly non profit. I hope Polk County will recognize she is a non profit rescue not a boarding facility. Thank you for your consideration.

Marsha Tynon

-Lifelong resident of Polk County

-Retiree from Polk County Clerk of Court (35 years serving the people of Polk Couty)

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Yannone, Lyndsay

From: Call, Planner On
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From: Jan and Katie Blessed Be the Bullies <bbtboffice@gmail.com>

Sent: Sunday, May 31, 2026 5:14 AM

To: Call, Planner On <PlannerOnCall@polkfl.gov>

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To whom it concerns:

Our rescue has been working with Stephania Badillo at Crossed Paws Rescue for five years now. In that time, we have found her to be professional and caring. She saves the lives of countless dogs every year. Here in Maine, we have to follow very strict guidelines for importing animals and have never had any issues with any of the animals we receive from her. They are healthy and taken care of. Above all of that, they are loved. If there are specific questions or concerns that we can address, please do not hesitate to reach out to us.

Sincerely,

Jan E Clark

Administrative Assistant to Katie Liberty
Blessed Be the Bullies Rescue

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Yannone, Lyndsay

From: Call, Planner On
Sent: Monday, June 1, 2026 9:59 AM
To: Simons-Irizarry, Lisa; Yannone, Lyndsay
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From: David Douglas <destinysdaddy0418@gmail.com>

Sent: Saturday, May 30, 2026 6:10 PM

To: Call, Planner On <PlannerOnCall@polkfl.gov>

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I have personally known Stefanie Badillo for the better part of 20 years. When she first started rescuing and helping abandoned and mistreated dogs she only figured it would be just a few and be temporary. Unbeknownst to her and her family it would turn out to be a mission to save as many dogs as possible. She is putting her time and tears into this rescue and loves it all!! It is sad to see that so many of these dogs have been mistreated, beat, starved or just left abandoned out in the middle of nowhere. I myself, have 5 dogs. 4 of them have been adopted from Stefanie (Crossed Paws Rescue). These are now my family and I wouldn't have it any other way. Please understand that she is needed for these helpless animals that others had just thrown away. Thank you!!

David Douglas
863-514-4074

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Yannone, Lyndsay

From: Call, Planner On
Sent: Tuesday, June 2, 2026 9:07 AM
To: Yannone, Lyndsay
Subject: Fw: support/LDCU-2025-35

Good morning Lyndsay,

Please see email below.

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Please let us know if we can be of any further assistance.

Kind Regards,

Sheranda Robinson, Planning Technician

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Sent: Monday, June 1, 2026 11:20 AM
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To Whom It May Concern:

My name is Lisa Moon and I am this email as a character reference for Stefanie Badillo with Crossed Paws Animal Rescue.

I first heard of Stefanie many years ago when she started helping abandoned or lost pets. I thought she was a superstar back then, but she has far exceeded any human being's display of concern, care, love and compassion for animals. I have met her several times in person after assisting in rescues. Once, when a dog was dumped on a 34 degree night in the woods. I was out searching for this poor animal and she immediately came with a trap and we saved the dog in just a few hours. Polk County has so many desperate dogs, cats and other animals that are abandoned by their owners. She is their only hope. I support her 100 percent.

I have known her to go out in the middle of the night, in the freezing cold rain and to some pretty awful places to save a poor animal.

Animal Control is overrun, all rescues are full and the situation is dire! Stefanie tries her very best to help every animal in need. She has worked so hard over the years to create a safe place for these poor abandoned dogs. I am in awe of her. I have also seen her help people KEEP their dogs. She is kind and compassionate. She will always do what is best for the dogs. Stefanie is an angel on earth and one day in heaven she will be surrounded by thousands of souls that she has saved and loved.

Sincerely,
Lisa Moon