

Harbor House of Central Florida built its Paws for Peace kennel on the domestic violence shelter's campus in 2012. Each April, the annual Paws for Peace Walk brings animal welfare and domestic violence advocates together in a fun- and fund-raising pet walk to raise money for the program. The 2018 event raised over \$50,000 to help keep pets and people safe in Orlando. These posters were distributed to encourage others to join the campaign.

“We are walking to...

give voices to the ones that don't have one or are too scared to speak up.”

— Donatella and her person Ted Maines,  
TED MAINES INTERIORS



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“We are walking because...

animals are often the first victims in a family.”

— Winston and his person  
Angel Buchanan, WELLS FARGO



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**FACT:** DOMESTIC VIOLENCE, CHILD ABUSE, AND ANIMAL ABUSE FREQUENTLY OCCUR SIMULTANEOUSLY IN A FAMILY.

**71%** OF SURVIVORS REPORTED THAT THEIR PETS HAD BEEN THREATENED, HARMED, OR KILLED BY THEIR PARTNERS.



“We are walking because... the on-site kennel at Harbor House provides safety for everyone.”

— Stoli and her person Christi Ashby,  
ORANGE APPEAL

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**FACT:** WOMEN WITH PETS MAY DELAY LEAVING A DANGEROUS ENVIRONMENT FOR FEAR OF THEIR PETS’ SAFETY.

**48%** OF SURVIVORS DELAY LEAVING A DANGEROUS SITUATION OUT OF CONCERN FOR THEIR PETS’ SAFETY.



“We are walking because... people who abuse animals don’t stop there.”

— Harpo and his person Erik Sandoval, WKMG

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**FACT:** INDIVIDUALS WHO COMMIT PET ABUSE ARE MORE LIKELY TO BECOME BATTERERS.

**PET ABUSE** WAS IDENTIFIED AS ONE OF THE FOUR SIGNIFICANT PREDICTORS FOR INTIMATE PARTNER VIOLENCE.

# “We are walking because...

intentional cruelty to animals is strongly correlated with other crimes, including violence against people.”

— Kylo and her person  
Maggie Mariolis,  
SEAWORLD



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# “We are walking because...

monsters aren't real, but humans are.”

— Roux and her person  
Michelle Sperzel,  
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**FACT:** ABUSERS INFLICT HARM ON A FAMILY PET TO DEMONSTRATE POWER AND CONTROL OVER THE FAMILY, ENFORCE SUBMISSION, PERPETUATE AN ENVIRONMENT OF FEAR, AND PREVENT THE VICTIM FROM LEAVING.