Ann Graves, Director, Seattle Animal Shelter

Ann Graves began her career in animal welfare nearly 30 years ago as a volunteer at a local animal shelter. This experience compelled a pivot in career path and sent her back to college where she earned her BS in Zoology from UW in 1998. In November 2000 Ann joined Seattle Animal Shelter (aka Seattle Animal Control) as an animal care officer. Ann has occupied various staff and leadership roles in her time at SAS with the majority of her time spent in the field services unit as a commissioned officer, supervisor and manager.

**Professional training, certification and experience:**

Graduate Washington Animal Control Officers Academy (WACA) 2001

Graduate NCIS Levels I, II, III (Certified Animal Cruelty Investigator)

Completed Technical Large Animal Rescue June 2011

Completed Animal Crime Scene Investigation Class 2012 University of Florida

Completed Equine Investigation Academy Level I May 2013

Board member Washington Animal Control Association (2004 – 2009)

Board member Washington Federation of Animal Care & Control Agencies (2004 to 2012, 2016 to present)

Charter Member IVFSA (International Veterinary Forensic Sciences Association)

Member WSDA Washington Animal Rescue Management (WARM) Team

Guest speaker at the “Compassion for Animals Conference” April 2002

Guest speaker at the 2nd Annual Washington Hoarding Awareness Conference October 2015

Certified Legend Drug and Euthanasia

Certified Chemical Capture

Completed FEMA disaster courses

* EOC Management and Operations
* Animals in Disaster
* ICS 100, 200, 700, 800

Instructor for Washington Animal Control Officer Academy (WACA) since 2003

Instructor Large Animal Cruelty Investigation (report writing) 2007

Presenter Illegal Animal Fighting 2009 WACA Conference

Presenter Trends in Animal Sheltering 2011 WACA Conference

Presenter SKCVMA Animal Cruelty Seminar “Animal Control & the DVM” November 2011

Volunteer ASPCA FIR Team 2013 to Preset

Volunteer / Consultant Humane Society International (HSI) &HSUS -- Territory of Guam and CNMI (Saipan & Rota) 2014 – 2015

Named National Animal Control Association Animal Care & Control Employee of the Year 2016

Volunteer HSUS Spayathon for Puerto Rico Round 2, Aguada PR November 2018

Volunteer HSUS Spayathon for Puerto Rico Round 3, Toa Baja PR February 2019

Other Training:

Zoometric & Vector-borne Disease Workshop

ASPCA Animal Cruelty Investigations

HSUS Equine Cruelty Scoring & Investigations Training

HSUS Emergency Animal Sheltering Course

HSUS Disaster Animal Response Team Course

HSUS Investigating Illegal Animal Fighting

ASPCA Animal Cruelty Investigations Seminar

Ritual Crime & the Occult