

# Erie Puppy Mill Awareness

Action Committee  
Newsletter

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## Did you know...?

Erie Puppy Mill Awareness is so proud to be one of the organizations that has not only supported, but SHAPED #VictoriasLaw into what it is today! We've been on the ground level helping this law to take shape for just over 3 years! See the timeline of how Victoria's Law came to be on the top of our Facebook page!



## In other news....

- Humane Lobby Day 2019 (4/29) Harrisburg, PA-Animal welfare advocates (including our very own Laurie Craig) took to the Capitol steps to push for Victoria's Law, where PA Gov Tom Wolf was named 2018 Humane Leader of the Year.
- PA was once ranked 36th for animal cruelty laws in the nation; the state has now jumped to the top ten.
- 300 areas have now passed bans on the sales of puppies in pet stores. 2 bans (CA & MD) are statewide, and hundreds of others are local ordinances. New York is currently working on their own version of Victoria's Law, and Massachusetts is proposing a bill of their own.
- There is already a humane pet store model located in Harrisburg (Zoomania.)



Volunteer Spotlight is on both Laura & Chris Smith! They have helped at multiple events of ours so far and we are grateful! They are always willing to help where needed! Thank you both so much! Some info about this adorable couple:

They have 2 cats and 2 dogs, all rescues. They started volunteering because: "Our best friend Monica asked us if we wanted to help with an event because she knew we loved animals and we became hooked!" Their favorite events so far have been Wags, Whiskers, and Wine, and the most recent Cupids & Canines. During their spare time, they walk and play with their dogs, work on their house, volunteer, and wood-working.