



UUAnimal Ministry at OCUUC NEWSLETTER September 2025



Take Action



Protect Ocean Life from Offshore Oil and Gas Development

The administration and members of Congress are attempting to drastically expand offshore oil and gas development, while simultaneously seeking to dismantle safety regulations designed to prevent major oil spills like the Deepwater Horizon disaster, threatening not only ocean wildlife but also public health, coastal economies, and our global climate. In the face of this threat, a bipartisan suite of new bills has been introduced in Congress to protect our US coasts from offshore drilling — forever. Please urge your members of Congress to support these critical bills which would defend our precious marine ecosystems from dirty oil and gas.

[Sign the AWI Petition](#)

Good News for Animals

The number of small mammals raised for fur has fallen dramatically since 2014, when more than 140 million minx, foxes, chinchillas, and raccoon dogs were kept confined in stacks of wire cages and killed at six or seven months of age, for their fur. By 2023, that figure had dropped to 20 million — an 85% decline, according to data from the Humane World For Animals (formerly the Humane Society).

Many international fashion brands have made fur-free commitments, including Gucci, Prada, Armani, and Burberry.

<https://www.humaneworld.org/en/blog/closer-to-ending-fur-trade>

Animal Welfare Organization of the Month

PACIFIC MARINE MAMMAL CENTER

The Pacific Marine Mammal Center in Laguna Beach inspires ocean stewardship through animal rescue and rehabilitation, medical research, STEM education programs, and advocacy for a healthy ocean.

It is the only center in Orange County licensed to rescue and respond to sea lions, seals, sea turtles, dolphins, and whales.

Volunteers are a central part of the center, providing extensive animal care, community engagement, outreach, learning experiences, and other assistance with the mission of ocean conservation.

[Pacific Marine Mammal Center](#)

Pet Food Collection

We are continuing to collect donations on Sundays for the No Empty Bowls program of OC Animal Allies for homeless and low-income pet owners. Please bring unopened canned or dry pet food and also new blankets, toys, and leashes.

[Orange County Animal Allies](#)

UUAM Meeting in September

The UUAnimal Ministry group at OCUUC will be meeting on Zoom September 14 at 2:30. Come join in and help us decide on our next actions to help animals!

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