



DR. JON GELLER

# TOGETHER FOR PETS AWARD

Congratulations to a veterinarian who helps the pets of people experiencing homelessness across the country and has expanded his mission to serve displaced pets in Ukraine. He has received a \$10,000 grant from Blue Buffalo.

## WHERE DO YOU WORK?

*I am with The Street Dog Coalition, based in Ft. Collins, CO. We set up mobile clinics in multiple US cities.*

## WHY DID YOU BECOME A VETERINARIAN?

*I didn't decide to become a veterinarian until I was 38. I realized it was a profession that combined science and compassion. I went back to undergrad to get my requirements done, and graduated from vet school when I was 44.*

## WHAT'S YOUR PASSION?

*I love being able to help out on "both ends of the leash," whether that's here at home or in a place like Ukraine where pets and people are in desperate need of help.*

## HOW DO YOU MAKE A DIFFERENCE?

*I hope that by treating unsheltered pet owners with non-judgmental respect and by caring effectively for their pets, I can add dignity to their lives.*

## WHAT EXCITES YOU ABOUT THE FUTURE?

*My current focus is One Health, where pets and their owners can be cared for in the same setting.*



Blue Buffalo salutes the veterinarians who go above and beyond to advance the profession and improve the lives of our pets.