



WASHINGTON METRO DACHTOBERFEST FOUNDATION



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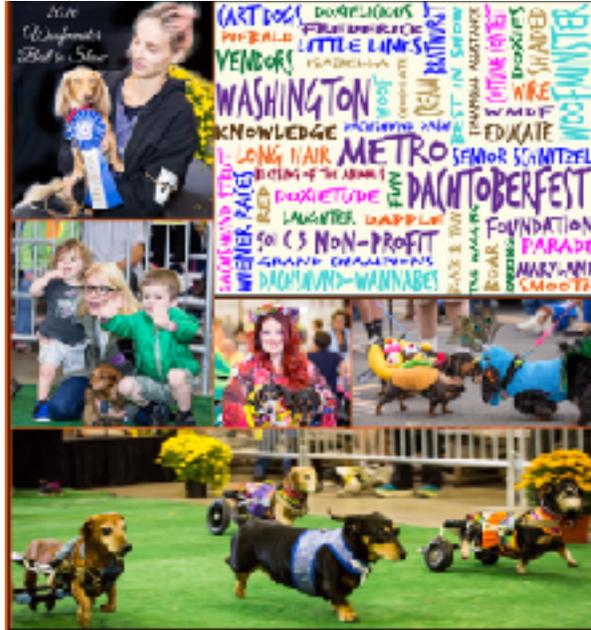
The primary mission of the Washington Metro DachtoberFest Foundation is to raise awareness of various health issues that dachshunds and other achondroplastic breeds face; to educate pet owners about preventive care and handling of their pets to minimize health risks, and to raise awareness of alternatives to euthanasia. Washington Metro DachtoberFest Foundation is planning its first continuing education conference for veterinarians in 2018. The conference will provide insight into breed specific veterinary issues. WMDF also hopes to start a small program for qualified rescue organizations to assist with extraordinary vetting expenses. By the year 2020, the Foundation hopes to be one of a few charitable foundations with the ability to provide financial assistance for qualified families, paid directly to veterinarians, for extraordinary veterinary care with the goal of avoiding surrender or euthanasia of the cherished family companion pet. We are a young foundation and are very much dependent on the generosity of corporate and individual donations.

DACHTOBERFEST

Washington Metro DachtoberFest, the largest dachshund festival in the Mid-Atlantic Region, is held the first Saturday in October every year at the Frederick County Fair Grounds in Frederick, Maryland. It continues an eighteen-year treasured tradition of bringing dachshund lovers together to enjoy a day of family-oriented doxie fun.

Last year the Fest attracted over 2000 dog lovers from more than 20 states, mostly East of the Mississippi, from Maine to Florida with the highest concentration of Fest Fans hailing from Northern Virginia, DC and Maryland. They were accompanied by close to 600 dachshunds and "dachshund-wannabes". Fest Fans enjoy the blessing of the animals, the Woofminster dog show, wiener races, costume parade and contest, Selfies with Santa, incredible raffles, Ask the Expert forums and shopping with over 30 dog-related vendors and exhibitors.

An ever growing and diverse group of sponsors and vendors are critical to the success of this year's Fest. We invite you visit our website to review our different sponsor levels and vendor options, each of which provide an opportunity to showcase your business.



The **WMDF Woofminster Dog Show**, an "unofficial" but highly regarded event to showcase everything that is so special about your dachshunds and dachshund-wannabes (all other breeds) regardless of their origin. Pure breeds, mixes, rescues, you name it, you're in! First place winners of each category will return for best in show. Be ready to show off your fur friend!

There is nothing better than wiener dog races and the **WMDF Dachshund Dash** is no exception. Some racing wieners speed off to the end of the 35 foot AstroTurf track once they zero in on their custom 'bait' whether it be a family member, a toy or a treat. Other doxies decide it is a social hour and hang around the starting gate mingling with the other racers oblivious to their owners calling out their names at the other end of the track, and still other doxies just mill around looking confused not sure what they are supposed to do -- they just know mom or dad took their leash away and lots of humans are laughing and cheering and gesturing. But heck, that's what makes the Dachshund Dash so much fun. You never know what to expect. Whether your doxie is a seasoned runner or a novice, wiener races never get boring.

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