

# Scottish SPCA receives £16,000 from the Tesco Bags of Help scheme



The Scottish SPCA has received £16,000 from the Tesco Bags of Help scheme for education support.

Scotland's animal welfare charity will be putting the money towards buying new equipment and teaching materials for their free interactive Prevention through Education programme for Scottish primary schools.

Scottish SPCA Head of Education and Policy Gilly Mendes Ferreira said, "We'd like to thank Tesco and each one of their customers who voted for us in their stores throughout Scotland, including the local South Queensferry and North Berwick branches.

"We speak to around 300,000 children each year through our free education programme. This interactive programme encourages children to think about what animals need and they learn how they can be responsible towards animals they come across including their pets.

"We don't receive any government or lottery funding which means we rely on the public to be able to continue our work rescuing and rehoming animals in desperate need of our help."

Tony McElroy, Tesco's Head of Communications in Scotland said, "Bags of Help has been a fantastic success and we've been overwhelmed by the response from customers. It's such a special scheme because it's local people who decide how the money will be spent in their community. We can't wait to see the projects come to life."

For more information on Scottish SPCA fundraising events please email [fundraising@scottishspca.org](mailto:fundraising@scottishspca.org) or call fundraising on 03000 999 999 (option 4).