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Imagine having to live on the streets starving, alone, without shelter like abused or stray animals. If you want to help improve their lives, here are a few positive ideas:

Keeping them healthy

Make sure that you give them food that keeps them healthy. If you're not sure what type of food to give them, simply ask a professional what they would recommend. You should also take them for a yearly checkup, doing that could prevent them from getting some kind of severe disease or spreading one. Taking them on walks gives them space to stretch and exercise.

Volunteering/Donating

Although animal shelters have many workers, they can't always handle all the animals on their own. You can help the shelters out and volunteer. Volunteering could help them greatly! Especially if you help take care of the animals or help clean up after them! If you don't have much time to really volunteer, you can also donate! Things like toys, money, food, and other things are very useful to them!

Give them a better life!

If you ever see a stray, immediately take them to a shelter or tell a trusted adult. That gives them the chances of getting a better life. When you take a stray to the shelter, try to put up posters about the animal. If nobody claims the pet, then the animal is free to have a new life and owner! If you ever see an animal being abused, tell somebody you trust and even the police.

Getting involved and helping animals is pretty rewarding if you really think about it! It could make you feel happy, and isn't that one of the best feelings? Doing any of these could improve the life of any animal!