

# Students give back by helping animals

Two Incline Village students are taking part in Dance in the Sun for Animals, a nonprofit organization that helps kids help animals in need.



Rowan and Mary  
Jane Hatchett

Teacher Heidi Timinsky founded DSA with the goal of empowering children to realize that they can make a positive difference in the world through helping animals in need.

DSA is set up to run as a completely kid-powered organization. Children can take a hobby, interest, or event that affected them and an animal they care about, then set goals and make a plan to help. Once goals are completed, kids can download a certificate. Their stories, photos and artwork are uploaded to the website's Kids in Action page.

Rowan and Mary Jane Hatchett, students at Lake Tahoe School in Incline, recently launched DSA. Other students immediately began planning ways they could help animals. Ideas included a bake sale to raise money for a tiger sanctuary; having a garage sale and sending the proceeds to help snowy owls; volunteering at the local humane society; and using their allowance to help animals in the rainforest.

More info is online.

