



Pet abandonment remains an issue in Singapore and all around the world, up until now. Many innocent, harmless, loving animals are being subjected to this terrible fate every year, often undergoing cruel treatments as they are simply viewed as strays. With so many abandoned animals in desperate need of a home, Pet Lovers Centre (PLC) began their quest for helping stray cats and dogs in 2011, by letting animal organisations utilise space at The Pet Safari store to conduct adoption drives. Following the success of having re-homed 44 cats, the adoption drives were then conducted on the 1st Sunday of every month beginning in 2012. PLC collaborated with many more animal organisations in Singapore such as Animal Lovers League, Actions for Singapore Dogs and Cat Welfare Society to carry out adoption drives at different The Pet Safari branches and as the year progressed, these drives began to be held every weekend. As a source of motivation and guidance to the new pet owners for taking part in the long term commitment of owning a pet, PLC provided them with an "Adoption Starter Kit".

In 2013, Pet Lovers Foundation, supported by PLC, decided to bring this initiative to the next level. 113 sq ft of commercial space in the Kembangan area was allocated to serve as a permanent adoption centre for these abandoned dogs and cats, so that animal welfare groups will have a designated location whenever they need to run an adoption drive. The Adopt 1st! Centre (AFC), which opened in early October 2013, was indeed unprecedented in the pet industry!" In January 2015, another AFC opened in Eastpoint Mall. But from July 2015 onwards, AFC will be consolidated and operating only from Eastpoint Mall.