

While 2021 was a year full of challenges, it presented a unique opportunity for Doberman Rescue Alliance of Wisconsin (DRAW). Founded in 2011, DRAW is a small group of dedicated volunteers who rescue homeless, neglected, and abused Dobermans, successfully placing over 100 dogs in new homes over the last decade. One very special foster home assists the majority of dogs that come through the program by providing shelter, care, and love while they await placement with their new forever family. To ensure each dog has the best experience possible, several upgrades were desired to make this special foster home more accessible while creating a more calming atmosphere for the dogs being fostered there. Enter the James E. Dutton Foundation. This Wisconsin-based charitable foundation awards grants for a variety of areas, including animal rescue, habitat conservation, improvement and restoration, and environmental education. DRAW applied for a grant for outdoor fencing to expand the exercise/play area, dog doors for easier access between the house and the play area, and privacy fencing to shield the dogs from the street noise and provide a greater sense of security. To their great surprise, the James E. Dutton Foundation awarded a grant to cover the materials needed to complete these three essential projects. DRAW volunteers will commence work this spring with an overwhelming sense of gratitude for the support of the James E. Dutton Foundation to help continue the mission of rescuing Dobermans in need. To learn more about Doberman Rescue Alliance of Wisconsin, visit the website at www.drawi.org or email info@drawi.org. For more information on the James E. Dutton Foundation, visit <http://www.jameseduttonfoundation.org/>.