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Washington Animal Rescue League Shelter and Hospital

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71 O Street NW, Washington, DC

This stone building was constructed in 1932 to house the animal shelter and hospital operated by the Washington Animal Rescue League (WARL) (now known as the Humane Rescue Alliance).

Located at 71 O Street, NW, it was "the pivotal structure representing the development of the animal welfare and humane movement in Washington. This women-founded organization constructed the first purpose-built animal shelter in the history of Washington. WARL's animal hospital and shelter is the oldest surviving representative of a movement strong in early 20th century America and in Washington, DC to treat animals compassionately. The building is significant for history and architecture."

The structure is currently utilized by a non-profit organization for offices.

MORE INFORMATION:

Washington Animal Rescue League Animal Shelter and Hospital. DC Preservation League.

https://www.dcpreservation.org/current_issues/washington-animal-rescue-league-shelter-and-hospital/

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