



# Humane Society for Inland Mendocino County

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# PAW PRINTS

*"Our lives are in your hands"*

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### **Board of Directors**

Kether Sprague, President  
 Mac McAlister, VP  
 Joe Hurlbut, Treasurer  
 Julie Dauer, Secretary  
 Holly Bennett  
 Rhonda Hurlbut  
 Robin Ingram  
 Tracey McNamara  
 Jaime Wilkes  
 Robin Ingram  
 Teresa King-Interim  
 Juanne Hayes-Interim  
 John King-Interim

### **All Star Team**

Jenny -Admin Director  
 Becca - Dog Kennel Manager  
 Suzanne - Cattery Manager  
 Rafael - Animal Care Technician  
 Cole—Animal Care Attendant  
 Emily - Animal Care Attendant  
 Jaz - Animal Care Attendant  
 Lyra - Animal Care Attendant  
 Slater - Animal Care Attendant  
 Thomas - Animal Care Attendant  
 Alex - Maintenance

### **Monthly Meeting**

3rd Tuesday of each month  
 6PM via ZOOM

## Mendocino County Soccer Academy

We were contacted by the Mendocino County Soccer Academy for some community service work, and we thought an art project to brighten our shelter and bring some beauty to our boring 'ol fences would be fun for everyone.

Here is what they had to say:  
 "The girls are committed to service and decided to contact the [Humane Society for Inland Mendocino](http://www.hsimc.org) to learn how to help. Turns out a mural needed to be painted.



The kiddos met several times to plan their design and showed up on a Friday to put their plan into action!

The day was capped with pizza and a rousing game of telephone.

Thank you, Humane Society, for the great work you do and for creating space for our kids to get involved!

Thank you Mendocino County Soccer Academy for giving back to your community and painting a beautiful mural at HSMC!



### East Hill Saves the Day (and lots of lives)



Every year, we take in over a thousand animals. The majority of these animals are unaltered when they come to us. That is hundreds of cats and dogs to spay and neuter before they find homes.

Our veterinarian Dr. Chana and her team at East Hill Veterinary Clinic, spay and neuter hundreds of cats and dogs for our shelter, making their adoption possible.

Early this year, we found ourselves in need of even more help with spays and neuters because there was a spike in unaltered animals. So, Dr. Chana has generously set aside a full day, once a week, to spay and neuter as many animals as she can for us.

We are quickly catching up and spayed and neutered animals are being adopted nearly as fast as they come in.

We would like to make a big *shout out*, a huge *thank you* and express our undying gratitude to **East Hill Veterinary Clinic** for always being there and making our world go 'round.

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### Just a Little Tippy Kitty

By now you must have heard about a special little kitten called Tippy. But if you haven't, here is her story:

Tippy came to us at the age of four weeks old, skin and bones, extremely anemic, dehydrated and covered with fleas. But what stood out the most was her inability to stand or sit up without falling over. She was immediately fostered by our Cattery Manager and seen by our veterinarian, Dr. Chana.

After battling with her anemia and malnutrition, Tippy was diagnosed with Cerebellar Hypoplasia; a neurological condition that makes her feel constantly off balance.

Tippy spends her days playing, eating, and getting some physical therapy and workout time with her foster family to help her walk someday.



Her story started out pretty bleak, but this girl has the will to keep going and gets stronger every day. Go Tippy we're there for you!!

## Parvo Puppy Update (Bear & Ayda)



Brother Bear and Ayda have been doing amazing since leaving VCA PetCare East Veterinary Hospital in Santa Rosa.

We are so thankful to VCA's dedicated medical team for taking on these pups and getting them out of the danger zone. In addition, these pups had two amazing foster homes in which to recuperate.

Thank you Samantha G. and family for caring for these two precious pups when they were released from VCA PetCare and thank you Eliza G. and family for taking these pups in for the last weeks of recuperation.

The pups are getting stronger day by day, eating like champs and finishing up all their meds. These two have turned the corner and are enjoying being feisty silly puppies who love, love, LOVE to play!

**THANK YOU** to everyone for **YOUR** support to save their lives!!!

## Kitten Season is Upon Us

Around this time every year, we are preparing for kitten season. Well, this year, it started in February. A whole three months early according to previous years. So far we have received orphaned bottle babies, and many heavily pregnant cats, three of which have already given birth!

Kitten season is here... and it is going to be a big one.

Here is where you come in: The majority of the cats we take every year are kittens. Hundreds of them, so we need foster homes, short and long term. Bottle baby fosters and senior cat fosters.

We need volunteers to help us socialize all of the adult and senior cats that are overlooked by adopters during kitten season.



KMR kitten formula is in high demand as are Miracle Nipples and kitten wet food.

And as always, you can help by adopting. Adopting one cat saves two!

## Manina Harris



### *How long have you been volunteering at the Humane Society?*

This time around 4 years. 2011 - 2012 I was a volunteer walking dogs.

### *What do you do here?*

I was working full time and I would come on the weekends to walk dogs. I thought I'd do dog training when I retired. I was laid off from my job in 2018, and as soon as that happened, I took a nine-month dog training course. Briefly worked with puppy training in SF and then in Marin County. Then I got referred to HSIMC.

I had the book knowledge but needed the handling knowledge. I now understand what the body language means and am working on helping dogs transition through the changes caused by being in the shelter.

Sarah Thompson (K9 No Limits) has been a mentor to me and really helped many of us here on how to deal with challenging dogs.

I live in Redwood Valley with my dog Buddy who I got in 2019 from HSIMC and my long-term foster, Willow! She has come a long way. Both dogs have taught me **tons** about dog behavior.

What I've learned with training is trying to understand it from the dog's perspective.

### *Life outside of the shelter? What do you enjoy?*

I do art. I really enjoy that, and I study a lot of dog training stuff. My last working life was in textile design. I've been helping a designer with her textile creativity. Spending time with friends, hiking, hanging out.

### *What would you like people to know about the Humane Society?*

First step is to let people know *we're here*.

When we adopt or foster out an animal, we really want to support the transition. I get referrals all the time for adopters who need help. It would be great, with the resources here, for long term assistance to adopters to make sure it's a positive and lifelong relationship.

There are all kinds of opportunities here for volunteers to learn how to really understand how to help the animals.

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## Scott Ricetti and Vickie Adams

Scott and Vickie are the **best drivers** in the business, and we love seeing them every week for our veterinary runs. Always so calm, cool, and collected during the loading and unloading of dogs and cats.

Scott regularly handles our Willits vet runs but also takes on trips to Santa Rosa, Lake County and Fort Bragg as needed. The vet runs are so important for the health and well-being of our animals, and we are so thankful to have Scott and Vickie on our transport team!

Thank you Scott and Vickie for always going the extra mile, literally, for HSIMC - we appreciate you!!!

## Volunteer Corner



We have more dogs onsite than we have had in the last two years!

We need dog walkers to keep them happy and enrich their lives! Not interested in dog walking? We have kitties to cuddle with too! And don't forget the never-ending laundry scene.

There are so many ways to help, we rely on volunteers to make the most out of each day and we are looking for new faces to join our team! Come to our next orientation!

Orientations are held the first Thursday of every month at 11 am and the last Sunday of each month at 11 am. We hope to see you soon!

Photo credit goes to our wonderful volunteer: Michael Surman Photography

## Foster Corner

### FOSTER AND FALL IN LOVE! 🥰

When Marilu and Bill picked up Buddy, who was heartworm positive, in order to give him a break from kennel life they said the famous last words... "we can only keep him for a few days"!

Well, the days turned into weeks and the weeks turned into months and he started to fit right in. Buddy was lovingly cared for by the Paulson family through all his treatments, they loved his sweet nature and helped him succeed when he struggled with separation anxiety.

Here we are 3+ months in, Buddy is done with his heartworm treatment and officially a part of the Paulson family!

Sometimes you meet a dog, and you just can't imagine life without them!

We love our foster team! Whether you foster for a few days or end up with a life time friend it's all a part of the magic we are trying to create for our homeless friends.



## JOIN OUR FOSTER TEAM

Contact our dog team:  
707 485 0123 ex 302  
[dogteam@hsimc.org](mailto:dogteam@hsimc.org)  
[dogfosterteam@hsimc.org](mailto:dogfosterteam@hsimc.org)

Contact our cat team:  
707 485 0123 ex 305  
[catteam@hsimc.org](mailto:catteam@hsimc.org)  
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## Special Benefactors (AKA Angels of HSIMC)

It is all about the animals and we have some Angels that are always there for us and are helping push HSIMC to the next level so we can be there for the homeless animals in our community with upgraded facilities, equipment, funding for veterinary care and other special programs that make HSIMC unique.

Thank you for standing by us and thank you for believing in our mission and what HSIMC stands for.

Michael & Christine Griggs, Paul Shimmin, Joanne Collett, Elizabeth Weeks, Eddie Alexander, Sheryl Parker, Myrna Hurst, Karrin Palmer Family, Lisa Jordon, Jayme G., Patricia F., Chris & Debra G., Gray Family Trust, Claudia W., Kenneth & Karla K., Mobile Equine Veterinary, The Community Foundation of Mendocino County, Beckstoffer Vineyards, Sparetime Supply, East Hill Veterinary, Yokayo Veterinary, Anderson Valley Brewing Company, Pardini Appliance, Rainbow Ag, Care-A-Van, Drew Nicoll Home Selling Team, Bones Pet Rescue, Boles Heating and Air Conditioning Sheet Metal, Jessica C., Gilly Wood, Ken Fowler, Erica & Sergio, Pacini Wines,

### Donations Made In Memory of People

Janet Mahan, Donna Day, Jane Ruddick, Michael Hill, Robert Madlem, Suzie Ortiz, Grady, Bob Madelm, Bella, Betty White, Jean Donahue

### Donations Made in Memory of Pets

Bella, Grady

### Donations Made in Honor of People & Pets

Teresa King, Sandra Applegate

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## DONATE FOR CHARITY

Thinking of donating a vehicle? You can donate yours and support HSIMC!

**Donate for Charity** makes the process easy and they handle all the details.

Just submit your request and you too can donate a vehicle to HSIMC by following the link here:

[Vehicle Donation | Humane Society for Inland Mendocino County \(mendohumanesociety.com\)](https://mendohumanesociety.com)



## **Thank You B.A.S Roofing**

We feel so supported!! Thank you B.A.S Roofing for keeping our dogs warm and our shelves stocked!

B.A.S Roofing outfitted our dogs this winter with the warmest jackets, we received three large donations! With enough jackets to go around, everyone was fitted, and it has helped our pups stay warm during the cold, winter months.

Not only are these jackets effective in keeping our dogs warm but they are fashionable too!

Check out Roger That, he loves his gray and yellow jacket.

B.A.S Roofing also helps keep our shelves stocked with dog food and puppy pads, items that we go through very quickly.

We cannot thank Brian and Darlene enough, thank you for always thinking of HSIMC and the animals in our care.



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## **SPARE TIME SUPPLY is helping us be seen!**

Sparetime Supply in Willits has graciously donated a custom table cover and banner to be used for our events.

We truly appreciate the time and effort Michael, Emily & the marketing team put into designing the pieces for HSIMC!!

Thank you Sparetime Supply for this lovely gift!

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## **NAN Our Bow Designer Extraordinaire**

Thank you Nan Gauthier for all your hard work during wreath season last year!

We really appreciate the time you put into the project so we could have a successful and beautiful end of year fundraiser.

Thank you for helping make the fundraiser a success and for donating your time and the materials. We always receive so many wonderful comments on the bows and our customers love having options to choose from.

Nan made over 244 bows so our Elves could add a final touch to all the wreaths, swags and arches that were made last year. #OurSupportersRock

## STAFF SPOTLIGHT

### BECCA EDWARDS: Dog Kennel Manager

Have you met our Dog Kennel Manager, Becca? She is one of a kind and a driving force in the rescue community.

Becca joined our shelter in 2018 and jumped right into her role of saving lives and caring for the animals at HSIMC as the Dog Kennel Manager. She is someone you can always count on to be an advocate for the animals, to be the voice for the voiceless. Her dedication and resiliency saves hundreds of lives each year.

Becca has made it her mission to learn new methods and ways to help save as many animals as possible. She brought APA! (American Pets Alive!) into the picture and helped us structure our shelter to be a driving force for our community.

Becca also runs an amazing dog foster program that makes saving more lives possible and makes shelter life for many of our dogs more comfortable.

There is never a dull moment around here and Becca takes them in stride. She gives every dog her all and it shows. She has fostered Dugan, a special needs dog, for over a year and is determined to find him just the right home. Every dog gets an individualized plan for success, whether it be adoption or transfers into service dog schools.

We wouldn't be able to do it without her and are so thankful to have her here every day to do what she does best.



### SUZANNE COFFMAN: Cattery Manager



Have you met our Cattery Manager, Suzanne? Suzanne started working for HSIMC back in 2013, cleaning 1 day a week after having been a foster for several years, her involvement only grew from there.

As the Cattery Manager, she runs the cat show and saves hundreds of lives a year!

Her dedication is unwavering and there is no case too difficult, Suzanne handles them all in her cool, calm, and collected way. From turning her kitchen table into a cat ICU, to making a wheelchair for a kitten with a neurological disorder, she is hard at work, helping HSIMC take on more cats than ever before.

Thank you for everything you do, Suzanne!



## STAFF SPOTLIGHT

### ALEX ALEMAN: Maintenance

My name is Alex Aleman. I began working at the Humane Society in July, 2021 as the maintenance man. Until I came onboard, any facility work was done by volunteers.

My first day on the job, I came in for an interview. Instead, I worked with many volunteers to load an 80' cargo container during a clean-up day! I knew this was not going to be a regular job!

I have lived in Willits for the past 19 years, originally from Mexico. I am married to Adriana and have two beautiful daughters, Allison (10) and Alejandra (16). I also have two dogs and two cats. I bring my daughters to the shelter on days when I am off to volunteer their time. I want them to know that helping others is rewarding.

Away from work, I enjoy helping my neighbors. Anyone who needs or asks for help, I am there. I spend as much time as I can with my daughters. Last November, we took a driving vacation to Texas. We experienced every kind of weather you can imagine!

The shelter always needs economic help. Everybody is busy, but we really appreciate volunteers. Even if you don't have time to volunteer, bringing supplies for the animals is great.

Come by and walk a dog, or just sit and talk to them and give them some compassion. You will meet dogs here that just need to find the right person to love.

Special thank you to Jenny and Becca and all the employees for accepting me and welcoming me from the beginning.

I love the people I work with and that is probably the best thing about my job!



## YTD Shelter Stats for 2022

To see HSIMC's full statistical breakdown please visit:  
[Dashboards | Shelter Animals Count](#)

	Intakes	Adoptions	Return to Owner	Transfer Out	Euthanasia/Died in Care	Currently in Foster
<b>Dogs</b>	163	142	4	6	2	85
<b>Cats</b>	144	126	3	11	12	19

## Remembering Mike Fesler...

This year started out with the huge loss of a great friend to animals in need in our community.

Mike Fesler had been fighting cancer for 2 years and oh boy did he fight, sadly he lost his battle with cancer in January of this year. Mike left us so many great memories and endless laughs!

Mike and his wife Steph joined the HSIMC board of directors in 2011, after getting involved with the shelter because their daughter Hilda worked here. Mike and Hilda had a one-of-a-kind relationship, and of course he would be there to support her on her new venture of saving animals in need.

It was here, at HSIMC, that he met their rescue dog Simon, and it was love at first sight. But that was just the beginning! Mike and Steph have been huge supporters of our shelter for the last 11 years, providing us with all the printing needs for our flyers, events, adoption packets, or anything we needed, at little or no charge at all.



At the board meetings you were lucky if you got a chance to sit next to Mike. He would have you laughing in no time as he mumbled jokes under his breath, he was always the life of the party, even if that party happened to be a board meeting. Mike loved to tease and joke around, but he also had a huge heart! His daughter Hilda remembers him as, “her best friend, biggest fan, safety net, moral support and a person that never gave up on her.

Maggie Weaver, our board president during his term, says, “her favorite memory of Mike was his love for the “Red Hat Ladies”. At our fundraising events they would reserve a table and he took great pride in helping seat them, he would escort them one by one to ensure they got there safely. Mike would schmooze them all night long, and I can only imagine the stories he would tell them, they adored him.”

Mike Fesler made you feel like everything was always going to be ok, he could put a smile on your face with just the mischievous twinkle in his eyes. Our hearts go out to his family and friends, and we will make sure we make him proud over here by continuing to do the work he loved and supported.

***Thank you Mike for being a friend to not only the animals but all of us here at HSIMC.***

***You will be missed.***

## Letter from our Board President

Dear HSIMC Members and Supporting Public,

Joyous Spring! The bees in the flowers are busy buzzing about, as are our dear staff and volunteers. Busy buzzing along from this to that, doing their best to meet everyone's needs. As we look ahead, we want to remind you of how important your donations are. Please enjoy our stories here in our newsletter as well as posted to our social media. These stories, and many more, are an example of your donations at work.

Kitten season has come early, and what better way to support the newborn kittens, and all our shelter pets, than by becoming a Member of our nonprofit organization. We have revised our membership program and continue to add and grow the benefits for our beloved supporters.

Did you know we are accepting Business Partnerships? You may have spotted the local business ads in our 2022 pet calendar. We are proud to offer a Business Partnership support level. Is your business interested in being a sponsor of the Humane Society for Inland Mendocino County? Please let us know.

We have a list of planned events and fundraising efforts calendared for 2022. The most current and updated information will be posted to our website on our EVENTS page. [www.mendohumanesociety.com/events](http://www.mendohumanesociety.com/events)

If you have questions, comments, concerns, or fresh ideas you'd like to share with us, I welcome your feedback. Please send a letter to 9700 Uva Dr. Redwood Valley, Ca. 95470

Or send an email to our Administrative Director, Jenny: [Admin@hsimc.org](mailto:Admin@hsimc.org)

Or to me, Board President, Kether: [Kether@hsimc.org](mailto:Kether@hsimc.org)

Sadly, we recently lost a dear friend of HSIMC. Long time Board member and supporter of homeless pets, Mike Fessler, passed away. Our condolences to Steph and the entire community. We grieve this loss and celebrate all you did to make this world brighter and better, Mike, thank you. We'll take it from here, rest in peace.

HSIMC's annual meeting is Tuesday May 17, 2022 @ 6pm at the shelter. Members of the Society are expected to vote "Yea" or "Nay" for current Board of Directors (BoD) up for renewal, as well as have the opportunity to vote to approve new BoD members. Members of the Society will receive the ballot by mail and can return it in person, or by mail, prior to the annual meeting in May, or you may choose to attend the meeting and vote in person.

Many thanks to Teresa King and Junanne Hayes-Reed for applying to fill vacant BoD seats. Already, they both have been immensely valuable additions to the Board of Directors as interim Directors. It takes many hands to make light work and these two ladies have stepped up in a big way already.

Thank you for your support of our life-saving work. Together We Save More Lives!

Be Well,  
Kether Sprague  
HSIMC President



### Furry Friends and/or Facility!

Check out our Amazon Wishlist and donate a much-needed item so we can continue saving lives!

We have two Wishlists going, one to support our furry friends and one to keep our facility operating.

For an added bonus, do your Wishlist shopping through [smile.amazon.com](https://smile.amazon.com) and Amazon will donate a portion of the purchase back to HSMC as part of their Charitable Giving Program.

Click the links below and check out our Wishlists:

Furry Friends: <https://a.co/4HHPNLN>

Facility Wishlist: <https://a.co/hd1bhVy>

We also have an ongoing Kitten Shower Registry on Amazon; you can find it here: [Amazon Custom Gift List](#).

If you are shopping locally, you can bring donations by the shelter during any of our open hours or shop at Rainbow Ag in Ukiah and leave your donation in our donation bin at the front of the store.





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## Memberships/Sponsorships/Pledges

Sign up or renew your Membership, Sponsorship or Pledge with HSIMC!

Your annual contribution helps to continue our mission to help as many animals as possible.

Please complete this form and return to HSIMC, sign up, or renew online at: [www.mendohumanesociety.com](http://www.mendohumanesociety.com)

### Membership Information

Date: \_\_\_\_\_

Membership Levels  
 (Please select one)

Name:	Associate: _____ (\$25/year)
Address:	Individual: _____ (\$50/year)
City:	Family: _____ (\$100/year)
State/Zip:	Sustaining: _____ (\$300/year)
Phone #:	Business Partnership: _____ (\$2,500/year or \$5,000/year)
*E-Mail:	Lifetime: _____ (\$5,000 once)
**Puppy or Kitten name submittal: (see membership tiers on back page)	Legacy: _____ (\$10,000 once)

### Other Annual Support Options:

#### Annual Dog Kennel Sponsorship: \$250.00

Renewal - The name(s) originally provided will remain.

New Sponsorship (Name or Business Name: \_\_\_\_\_)

#### Annual Cat Condo Sponsorship: \$100.00

Renewal - The name(s) originally provided will renew.

New Sponsorship (Name or Business Name: \_\_\_\_\_)

#### Spay & Neuter Pledge

Red \$100 / Black \$250 / Silver \$500 / Gold \$1,000 / Platinum \$2,500

### In Memory Options:

(Plaques will be displayed on our Memory Wall)

#### Honorarium/Memorial (\$50 minimum): Please specify amount \$ \_\_\_\_\_

In Honor of: \_\_\_\_\_

In Memory of: \_\_\_\_\_

#### Pet Memorial (\$50 minimum): Please specify amount \$ \_\_\_\_\_

In Memory of: \_\_\_\_\_

#### Our Mission

The purpose of this non-profit is to nurture, educate and engage our community in the care of cats and dogs in need, giving as many animals as possible a chance to thrive in loving homes.



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## Membership Level Descriptions

### Associate (\$25/year):

Quarterly Newsletter

Non-Voting Member

### Individual (50/year)

Quarterly Newsletter

Votes in the annual May election for Board of Directors

### Family (\$100/year):

Quarterly Newsletter

Votes in the annual May election for Board of Director

Submit a name for a puppy or kitten \*\*

Invited to our annual “Thank You” event

### Sustaining (\$300/year):

All of family membership level plus:

Submit a name for both a puppy and kitten \*\*

2 - Raffle tickets to our summer raffle event

### Business Partnerships:

#### General Partnership (\$2,500/year):

All of sustaining membership level plus:

Submit a name for both a puppy and kitten \*\*

Business card or logo displayed on HSIMC’s Support page on our website

#### Sustaining Partnership (\$5,000/year):

All of Business membership level plus:

Submit a name for both a puppy and kitten \*\*

Event sponsorship recognition on event flyers

### Lifetime (\$5,000) & Legacy (\$10,000):

Quarterly Newsletter

Votes in the annual May election for Board of Director seats up for renewal

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Recognition plaque for our wall

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Dear Voting Member,

We are due to renew our Board of Directors Members. Please return your vote by May 13, 2022 Board Positions open for Election for 2022-2024

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### President: Kether Sprague (Incumbent)

“Foster family for HSIMC since 2019, has fostered over 100 animals for HSIMC, President of the Board of Directors since March 2020. Community Service is very important to Kether. She has been a registered Girl Scout and community volunteer for over 25 years. With a background in real estate and business development, as well as animal medicine, Kether has strived to make the Humane Society for Inland Mendocino County more financially stable, in addition to championing on behalf of the vulnerable animals in need. Kether is an advocate of the "no kill" mission, that means meeting or exceeding a standard of a live outcome of 90% or better for the animals in the shelter. She wholeheartedly believes in the power of serving people and the tremendous impact of goodwill each of us can have on our community.”

### Treasurer: Joe Hurlbut (Incumbent)

“I have served on the board for many years now. I was drawn to serve since I believe strongly in the cause of helping save the lives of our dogs and cats in Mendocino County. I am so impressed with how our community comes together to serve these animals in need. Due to my financial background, I have mostly served in the role as treasurer over the time I have been on the board”

### Human Resources: Holly Bennett (Incumbent)

“I have lived in Mendocino County for 12 years and am so grateful for the Humane Society for Inland Mendocino County. We have gained 11 furry family members from HSIMC over the last decade and I am honored to be a board member of this organization. I will continue to work hard for the animals in our community and hope we can grow enough to serve all of the homeless animals in our community.”

### Construction: Tracey McNamera (Incumbent)

“I’m a retired construction worker and have lived in Mendocino County for over 40 years. My mission is to use my experience to improve the comfort and safety of both staff and animals at HSIMC. I have made meaningful contributions to improving the facilities, including working with subcontractors, volunteers and staff on various projects.”





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### Interim Board Member: Teresa King

“I am fairly new to Redwood Valley (5 years) but have been involved with HSIMC shortly after we moved here, adopting a sweet seven year old dog whom we love! I decided to join the HSIMC board of directors because I felt my 20+ years of event planning would be helpful in their fundraising efforts. Also, as an involved volunteer, I hope to help the staff meet the daily challenges they face.”

### Interim Board Member: Junanne Hayes-Reed

“HSIMC is an organization near and dear to my heart. I am dedicated to supporting the shelter as much as I can and am determined to help us reach all of the goals we set our sights on.”

### Interim Board Member: John King

“I have been in Redwood Valley for nearly 5 years, previously in the bay area since 1973 in Santa Clara and Santa Cruz Counties. In a past life my career entailed 35 years in the Semiconductor industry, serving in management roles in manufacturing, sales and marketing. These days I grow grapes, make wine and find passion in life's simpler pleasures. I want to avail myself as a resource to HSIMC, together with the rest of the team anything can be possible!”

Ballots will be mailed at the beginning of April to current voting members.

Again, please **return** your vote by **May 13, 2022**.

The HSIMC's annual meeting is **Tuesday May 17, 2022 @ 6pm** at the shelter.

Thank you so much from us all for your support of our life-saving work!

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## OUR MISSION

### Our Mission Statement

The purpose of this non-profit is to nurture, educate and engage our community in the care of cats and dogs in need, giving as many animals as possible a chance to thrive in loving homes.

Join us in helping the animals by becoming a member!