



Humane Society for Inland Mendocino County

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PAW PRINTS

"Our lives are in your hands"

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MONTHLY MEETING

3rd Wednesday of each month
6pm at Redwood Valley Grange

TRASH PANDA

In early March, a woman brought a very skinny, matted little cat to us in a box and said she had found her in a garbage can. We don't know what she was doing there but knew that she had to have the name Trash Panda. Right when we saw her, we knew that she needed some extra care.

A couple of days later she went to East Hill Veterinary Clinic to get a full checkup. While there, we found that Panda was FeLV positive, severely anemic, and even jaundiced from her lack of nutrition. While she was a bit of a mess, the news wasn't all bad. With supportive care, she could have the chance to make a full recovery and live as a healthy FeLV cat.

Trash Panda is currently improving greatly and continues to win hearts everywhere with her grumpy little face and loving personality.



*Thank you everyone who supported her care,
Trash Panda is doing and feeling so much better.*

DOG & PUPPIES transferred to BERGIN UNIVERSITY



The shelter/rescue semester is officially underway! [Bergin University of Canine Studies](#) partnered with two orgs for this one. [City of Clearlake Animal Association](#), who supported this new momma's family in getting her off the streets and into a home to raise her pups, and [Humane Society for Inland Mendocino County](#), who is supporting their pathway from nowhere to go to adoption.

Shoutout to the Bachelor of Science students taking this momma and pups with just 24 hours' notice! She's on the right track thanks to a whole team of amazing people.

LONG TERM CAT ADOPTIONS



This year, of over **80 cat adoptions**, **17 long-term cats** who have been at the shelter for 200-484 days have been adopted. These cats came from a little bit of everywhere, from loving homes, found as strays and transferred from other rescues.

We are so grateful to have helped them finally find their places to be forever. Each cat who is with us for any length of time gets individualized care and is loved by every staff member until they find homes of their own.

So next time you are in the Cattery, don't forget to visit the ones who have been there longer than most.

Spread the word because we know that their homes are out there somewhere.

ANNOUNCING “KATIE”



We would like to formally announce our newest member in the FeLV (Feline Leukemia) Cottage. Katie was a stray that was taken to a local rescue to be spayed. While there, they had found that she was FeLV positive. Right away they knew to call us because she would fit right in with our other two FeLV cats.

Katie is 3 years old, petite and super sweet. Anyone who took her home would be a lucky family indeed.

Don't forget that FeLV cats have their **adoption fee waived!**

If you can't take one home, don't worry they would love to have visitors any time of the day.

Highlights (continued)

This is Happy Feet! Recognize Him?

Happy Feet had been with our friends at Animal Control since November of last year and they reached out to our team to help assess his quality of life.

Happy Feet is partially blind and has neurological issues which makes him a special case, but his spunky personality shows us he doesn't know he's different.

Within the first few hours of being with us, Happy Feet had a bath and then zoomed around the play yard!

He is so happy to have space to run around and explore, he would stay out in the play yard for hours if we let him.

Happy Feet is currently settling into a foster home while we assess his needs and see what we can do to help him live his best life.

HAPPY FEET



MEET HANNA



As most of you know I am Hannah Soderquist (Roberts). I am a Senior at Ukiah High School. My Senior project has been wrapped around the Humane Society for Inland Mendocino County. It started with wanting to rebuild the barn they keep the dogs in when the weather is unfair. It quickly became bigger than that. It transformed into an all-around fundraiser. I have come face to face with so many challenges so far. Everything from breaking my nose, being forced to stay away due to the weather, and school mixed with a little bit of life in general. You see, on top of this project I have had to juggle the normal amount of classwork, personal relationships, homework, extracurricular activities, work, mental health, etc.

It has been tough. But my attention is still dialed in on these dogs, this place, and the wonderful people who keep it running. I have created online flier designs, merchandising designs, social media posts, etc. I also have spent time volunteering physically at the Humane society. I have been in the mix with shy dogs, outgoing dogs, I have seen dogs grow and change, be adopted, become social. And so much more.

It has been such a rewarding experience and I am so excited to see what else is to come. My project is not over yet and even when it is I am planning on continuing to be an extra leg for the HSMC to stand on. As of right now I am planning an event when the fields dry up, when the time is closer I will release more information.

I am also continuing to volunteer, research for resources, spread the word on social media, and bring in funds and people. My main focuses during this project are Money, Time, and Support. To achieve that I need the help of this community.

One of the many things I have learned from this project so far is that we need to support the people who are supporting these animals we love and want to support. Because we can easily lose focus on the fact that it isn't just a rescue, it is a business, this is these people's lives, careers, passions. We have to support them beyond our affection for the cute fuzzy faces. We need to come together. I unfortunately have not been able to spend as much time physically at the shelter as I hoped in the beginning. So, I have had to rely on the internet. So please, use the DONATE button on our website: www.hsinc.org and do your thing.

Get up and support this cause any way you can, donate, volunteer, foster, adopt, share, etc. or all of the above. Anything you can do is perfect. Because that is one more person giving time and support to not only my project, but this community, and the cute furry friends whose lives are in our hands.

VOLUNTEER WITH US TODAY!



Thinking of joining our volunteer team? Now is the time! Volunteer orientation is the *first Thursday and last Sunday of each month at 11am at HSIMC.*

We strive to make our animals stay as comfortable as possible and our volunteers help us keep the dogs and cats onsite happy, healthy, and adoptable.

We are able to provide much better care and get more work done when our volunteer team is out in full force!

Just a few hours a month can make a big difference in our animals' lives while also help relieve some of the stress that our team is currently under.

NOW IS THE TIME TO JOIN US!

For more information, please visit our website:

<https://mendohumanesociety.com/volunteer%2Ffoster>

FOSTERING

It's cold outside - and wet! Can you help our dogs by fostering?

Even a few nights of fostering helps keep a dog warm and dry when they might otherwise be cold and miserable on those nights! Give us a call, come by and meet new dog friends and help out if you can! You'll feel good and so will the dogs.

If you are curious about our foster program then sign up today!
Give us a call or visit us during open hours.

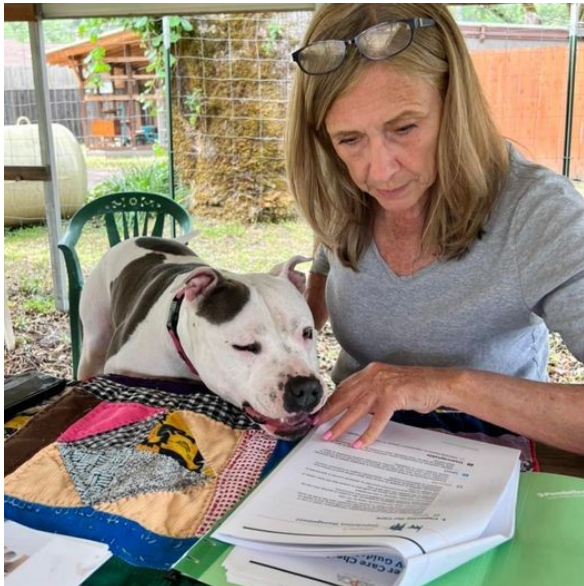
Wed-Fri 1pm-5pm

Sat-Sun 11am-3pm

707-485-0123 ext 302

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OH BEHAVE!



Did you know that HSIMC offers training and behavioral support to our adopters and fosters? In keeping with our mission: "to nurture, educate and engage the community in the care of cats and dogs in need", we have always tried to make sure people have this support but in the last year, we have been able to develop a team consisting of volunteers and staff who can address many of the routine questions that come up once a pet is brought into the home. Potty training, puppy biting, crate training, kids/dogs, dogs/cats, are some areas where adoptive and foster homes often need just a little help to make animals successful in the home.

Through your donations, we have helped this team learn the most up-to-date, effective and humane ways to respond when things don't go as expected. We know that it can be hard sometimes to know what to do and some of what is available in the online world can be misleading at best and detrimental to animal welfare at worst.

We encourage you to reach out to us with your behavioral and training questions at behaviorteam@hsimc.org. Also, join our Facebook adopters' group "HSIMC Adopters" and foster page "HSIMC Foster Team" where you will see "Training Tuesday" posts each week. We are in the process of building on what we have started in this area so stay tuned! And if you want to help support this work, consider donating!

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.

Clay Nesbitt, Paws for Love Foundation, Paul Shimmin, Deborah, Julie, Ken Fowler Subaru, Jayme Goodale, Nana Chu, Tracey McNamara, Cora Saxton, Zsofia, Julia, Elaine Richard, Elizabeth Weeks, Gerald & Cheri Heffel, Christy & Mike Newell, Bobbi, and many anonymous donors.

Donations Made in Honor of People & Pets

(Ruth) Louise Harris, All Our Family Pets, Benji Allende, Polly Palecek

Donations Made in Memory of People & Pets

Donna Day, Viola Caddell, Sara, Masako

DONATE FOR CHARITY

Thinking of donating a vehicle?

You can donate yours through Donate for Charity and the proceeds will go to HSIMC!

Donate for Charity makes the process easy, and they handle all the details after you submit your request, you too can donate a vehicle to HSIMC by visiting our website: www.hsimec.org



ESTATE PLANNING

Consider Leaving a Legacy

Estate planning gives you the opportunity to control the distribution of your assets. Charitable giving allows you to make a significant difference, help your survivors know your wishes, and can help you achieve specific financial goals, such as reducing or eliminating tax liability.

Why You Should Consider HSIMC?

The decision to include the Humane Society for Inland Mendocino County in your estate plans creates a legacy, while showing a sincere commitment to the animals in our care. Your gift will contribute to the well-being of the animals while they are here and will help them find loving, permanent homes.

Please consider including HSIMC in your trust or will and create a legacy.

For more information, please email: jking@hsimec.org

Shout OUTS

KEN FOWLER AUTO CENTER - Share the LOVE!



The results are in!

Subaru donated \$8,358 from their Share the Love event this year and we would like to thank everyone who participated, we hope you are all enjoying your new vehicles.

And a BIG Thank You to the team at Subaru for all your work to make this a reality.

These funds will go towards animal care so we can continue our lifesaving work.

Thank you ALL for making this possible!

THE DIFFERENCE A FLOOR MAKES

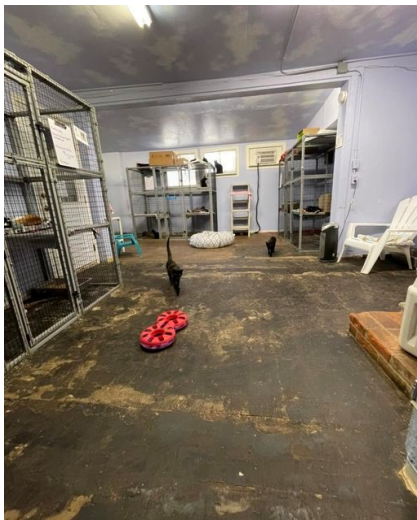
We are so grateful to have such an amazing community to support our rescue and help us turn our spaces into something beautiful and functional!

Our Cattery had a facelift and is looking better than ever thanks to Clay Nesbitt, Christine Cliburn, Healdsburg Floor Coverings, K2 Flooring, our amazing foster team and our wonderful staff.

A Grand Re-Opening of the Cattery is underway, more details to come!!



BEFORE



AFTER



Shout OUTS

THANK YOU MVOutdoor!

We received an amazing offer from MVOutdoor and are so grateful for the opportunity to have a billboard for HSIMC in Mendocino County. John, a Senior Account Executive with MVOutdoor, was wonderful to work with and the art department did a fantastic job in making our vision come to life.

This is an amazing gift, thank you John and MVOutdoor for giving HSIMC this opportunity!

*HSIMC's billboard is now on display and can be seen at the Orr Springs overpass,
West side of the highway as you are driving North.*



DONATIONS NEEDED

Thinking about donating to HSIMC? Well, here is a list of items we always need:

Standard Facility Items

Bleach (regular), Laundry Detergent (unscented), Paper Towels, Toilet Paper, Dawn Dish Soap, Nitrile Gloves (Med & Large), Printer Paper, Expo Dry Erase Markers, and Manila Folders.

For the Cats

Sunbeam Heating Pads (w/out auto shut off), KMR Kitten Formula, Miracle Nipples, Dry Cat/Kitten Food, Canned Cat/Kitten Food, Probiotics, Catnip, Toys, Hammocks, Treats, and Toys.

For the Dogs

Puppy Pads, Good Quality Dog/Puppy Food, Canned Dog/Puppy Food, X-pens, Wire Crates, Martingale Collars, Probiotics, Treats, and Toys.

Letter from our Board President

2023 ushers in the 30th anniversary of HSMC's establishment on Uva Drive in Redwood Valley, the purchase of this property was made possible by a significant donation from Beatrice Breeze, a longtime supporter. She stipulated that purchase of a property should be located proximate to serving both the communities of Willits and Ukiah. Today, while most of our adoption and services are focused in Mendocino, Lake and Sonoma counties, it is not uncommon for adopters to travel from anywhere within the state of California and surrounding states to seek out an adoptee. We are also extremely fortunate to have a large national presence as it relates to the generosity of our donors, even having supporters as far away as Europe and Asia, who make contributions. I think Beatrice is smiling down as she sees how her vision has evolved.

To celebrate our anniversary, we are having a gala dinner event at Barra Winery and Event Center from 5pm to 10pm on Saturday May 6, 2023. Attendance to this event is limited, due to space, so make sure you purchase a ticket, as this is sure to be a sell-out. There will be great food, good wine, beer, a signature cocktail, entertainment, an auction, a whole lot of fun, and a bunch of generous people in attendance. Go to our website for additional information.

In January and February, we completed the hardscape on our cattery remodel, all new flooring, baseboards and a complete interior painting, including a mural on the front entrance wall painted by our very talented employee, Jasmine (Jas). Alex "Superman" has built all new storage shelves and has plans for upgrading the doors and trim. The transformation is amazing and has only been possible due to our supportive community: Healdsburg Floor Coverings for supplying all of the materials, K2 Flooring for the amazing workmanship on a very challenging job and of course Clay Nesbitt for providing the funds needed to make sure HSMC could do this right. We have planned a grand reopening of the "New" cattery in honor of Dean Gross, it will now forever be known as "Dean's Cat House" with appropriate signage and homage to his legacy, stay tuned for the date.

This quarter I want to dedicate some space to one facet of our support team that is often overlooked but is significant in their contribution. You may notice around town that HSMC has many donation boxes on the checkout counters of our local businesses. Patrons of these businesses will contribute some change or a few bills. As insignificant as this can seem, these small donations add up and are a tremendous help. So, Thank You to the following businesses for allocating counter space and for their continuous support to our rescue efforts. **In Ukiah:** Friedmans, Mendo Mill, Forks Market, Big Daddy, Grow West, Whispering Winds Nursery, Black Oak Coffee, Windmills Café, Maple Café, The Barkery, Selzer Realty, Fidelity Title, Downtown Dogs, Slam Dunk Pizza, La Tre Clothing, Yakayo Vet and Rainbow Ag who also provides a donation bin for items. **Hopland:** Hopland Tap, who also hosts monthly Saturday dog adoption events and raises funds via raffles. **RV:** Dr James Plumb, Junkyard Boutique. **Laytonville:** Napa Auto Parts, Weather Top Nursery. **Willits:** Sparetime Supply, 101 Trailer, Ace Copy & Shipping, JD Redhouse, who also has a donation bin and Coast Hardware, who also supports us with onsite cat adoptions and raffle fund raising and Mendo Mill who also sponsor dog adoption events, raffles, and donations anytime we need anything!

Recently Amazon announced that they were revising their donation program to no longer allow customers to determine where the contribution from their eligible purchases would be earmarked. In the future Amazon will make more select contributions to fewer, larger, national organizations. This was a growing source of funds for HSMC, and every little bit helps, so we will miss this opportunity.

Being on the Board of Directors for HSMC can be a very rewarding experience, but often between work, family, personal obligations and volunteer commitments, our board members, well..... just get burned out and need a break. We are always looking for new members, no experience necessary and we will help to channel your talents into how they can best contribute and be meaningful to the organization. If you want to explore this opportunity further, contact me. I'd be more than happy to help explain how you could help.

If you are not aware, HSMC is one of only a few local shelters that is equipped to house and support cats infected with FeLV. This feline leukemia virus is contagious to other cats, so those infected need to be isolated from the rest of the cat population. These cats must be kept indoors for the balance of their lives and live in homes where they are the only cat or with other cats also infected. Their life span can be reduced, and health problems sometimes develop. But if properly cared for, they live fairly normal and happy lives. Most shelters euthanize those infected, due to lack of isolation space.

Over the years HSMC has been able to provide a temporary sanctuary for these cats, until we are able to match them with the perfect adopter. I am very happy to report that over the last year we have found homes for 3 of these infected felines and now only have 2 left in our FeLV house.

On February 12 after 293 long days in dog care we found a home for Nina (Ninya). She now goes by Daisy, and we are happy for Kaelyn and her mom Christine who have provided a loving home for this special sweet girl. We can truly say it was love at first sight!



Furry Friends and/or Facility!

Have you seen our Amazon Wishlists? We receive many wonderful donations through this program and are so thankful for everyone who sends gifts to the dogs and cats and for our facility.

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

Click the links below and check out our Wishlists:



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



Facility Wishlist: <https://a.co/hd1bhVv>

We are also rehabbing our Barn and need 6 of these doggy doors:

<https://enduraflap.com/products/pet-door-for-doors?variant=42942573707494> (L or XL size)

The doors will help keep our Barn warmer in winter and cooler in the summer.

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

Thank you for your support and keeping our facility running smoothly!

YTD SHELTER STATS 2023

YTD Shelter Stats: As of 3/31/2023

To see a full statistical breakdown please visit: <https://www.shelteranimalscount.org>

Our live outcome rate for 2023 is: 93.75 (total outcomes includes both live outcomes and other outcomes)

	Total Intakes	Total Outcomes	Currently in Shelter	Currently in Foster
Dogs	120	134	18	63
Cats	104	110	89	8



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Memberships/Sponsorships/Pledges

Sign up or Renew your Membership, Sponsorship or Pledge with HSIMC, your annual contribution helps HSIMC continue the mission to help as many animals as possible!

Please complete this form and return to HSIMC or sign up or renew online at:

www.mendohumanesociety.com

Membership Information

Date: _____

Membership Levels (Please Select One)

Name:	Associate: ____(\$25/year)
Address:	Individual: ____(\$50/year)
City, State, Zip:	Family: _____(\$100/year)
Phone #:	Sustaining: ____(\$300/year)
*E-Mail:	
**Puppy or Kitten name submittal (Family & Sustaining Memberships):	

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): _____

In-Memory or In-Honor Options:

(Plaques will be displayed on our Memory Wall)

Honorarium/Memorial (\$100 minimum): Please specify amount \$ _____

In Honor of: _____

In Memory of: _____

Pet Memorial (\$100 minimum): Please specify amount \$ _____

In Memory of: _____

Spay & Neuter Pledges (annual pledge) – Helps Support the Spay and Neuter of Shelter Animals

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

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.

Current & Future Events in 2023

We have some exciting events happening this year, so mark your calendars and check out our Events Page on our Website for additional information: mendohumanesociety.com/events

Wags & Wines April 22, 2023 BARRA of Mendocino

30th Anniversary Celebration May 6th, 2023 TICKETS ON SALE NOW
Visit our website to Purchase tickets: www.hsimc.org

Jordan's Way May 17, 2023 Jordan's Way is returning to HSIMC!

Wags & Wines June 3, 2023 Campovida

Wags & Wines July 1, 2023 Caesar Toxqui Cellars



July 2023 Contest for the 2024 Calendar

Disc Golf Tournament SUMMER Disc Golf Tournament



October 2023 Kritter Karnival



November to December Wreaths & Swags - Winter



Quarterly Raffles with some really great prizes!

For more on our upcoming events head over to mendohumanesociety.com/events

If you have a youth group that would benefit or be interested in coming to HSIMC, we would be thrilled to host. A cornerstone of our philosophy is to try and give back and there is no better way to do so, then with our youth, the future!

*Please contact me, John King - President of the Board of Directors,
jking@hsimc.org and we will get it organized.*

30th Anniversary Gala
Humane Society for Inland Mendocino County

May 6, 2023

Hosted by **BARRA**
of MENDOCINO

5:00pm – 10:00pm

Appetizers, Dinner and Auction

Beverages available for purchase

[Mendohumanesociety.networkforgood.com/events/52848](https://mendohumanesociety.networkforgood.com/events/52848)

For tickets and more info

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What We’re Doing / Mission

Spring is here and we hope everyone is enjoying the beauty that new growth brings. The bursts of orange, purple and yellow we see painting the hillsides reminds us that spring brings new opportunities and we look forward to what this new year will bring for the Humane Society.

As we leave winter weather behind, in exchange for warmer days and nights, we must thank our staff, volunteers, and foster team for stepping in and stepping up to ensure our dogs and puppies are warm, dry, and safe. Winter is a challenging season and with limited indoor spaces, we really rely on our team for help. Thank you to everyone who has helped along the way - our team is small but oh so mighty!

Currently, we find ourselves in the midst of kitten season and our staff and fosters have been working around the clock to care for the kittens that have come to our facility. We are recruiting fosters for bottle babies and moms with kittens. If you have the skills or would like to learn, please contact our cat team for more information. We provide the supplies and support needed, getting cats and kittens off site is the best thing for them. Visit our website for more information: <https://mendohumanesociety.com/volunteer%2Ffoster>

On that note, we are always in need of donations and hope you check out our wish lists for ways to help. All donations go directly to the animals and I must give a special THANK YOU to Charmaine and Vicky, Clearlake Animal Association, for gifting HSIMC an incubator with humidity control and nebulizer. This large incubator will host several kittens or a mom and kittens. We also received two other incubators from Rebecca and Ann that will be wonderful for single kittens. Thank you all so much for giving us the tools needed to give our kittens the best chance of survival.

Speaking of survival, we received an 80k grant from the Community Foundation in September of 2022 and the funds could not have been presented at a more appropriate time. As many of you may remember, we stopped intakes for 6 weeks last year in an effort to reevaluate our capabilities based on resource and funding availability.

When the Community Foundation came through in September it was a saving grace. The grant is based on Animal Welfare and we have been utilizing the funds to cover medical costs for the animals. These costs consist of spay/neuter and other medical care the animals need - an expense that costs the shelter upwards of 180k per year, not including medical supplies that we source for onsite care.

Needless to say, we are very grateful for the Community Foundation and for every business and member of our community that comes out and supports the cause - thank you for caring about the animals and for helping us continue the lifesaving work we accomplish each and every day.

Thank you, *Jenny Hanzlik*



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