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Dear Supporter,

Can the animals count on you? It's time for our 8th annual Paws for Pledges Radiothon where once again we rely on the support and devotion of our friends to help us continue the work we do; caring for the animals in and around the city who call us home for an undetermined amount of time. Once again, we will be supported by our good friends at Golden West Radio and will have Country 100 here at the shelter live from 6am – 6pm (with social distancing).

2020 has been a difficult and challenging year for all of us; around the entire world. The many financial challenges our friends have faced, so have we, here at the Moose Jaw Humane Society. Many of our fundraisers were cancelled this year as we wrapped our arms around the community and shared in their struggles. We worked with less staff and we worked with less money - but we worked none the less. The animals did not stop coming, the emergency treatments did not stop, the care of our guests, including long term guests did not stop. Animals still needed us, and the pandemic did nothing to quell that.

Now here we are weeks away from 2021

and we need to refill this year's bone-dry bucket, to ensure our continued ability to care for all the animals in need in our community. Animals like Crouton. Crouton came to us with a litter of kittens that were surrendered. The smallest and weakest of the litter, he needed special care as his chances were slim. With eye trauma too, it looked like we would be sending him to a foster home in vain, but, this little kitten had a fighting spirit and a great foster, who rallied him back to health and a round little belly. Soon Crouton was well enough to come back to the shelter. Though he had fought his way back to life and was doing well, his little eye was not healing, and it looked like a removal was his only option. By now, as you can imagine, he was becoming a fast favourite of the staff at the shelter and was once again taken into foster to allow him to gain enough strength to have an eye removal performed. We always fight to make removal (of anything) the last option but in this case for little Crouton, his eye was just too far gone. Fastforward a few weeks and Crouton was adopted as a foster fail and is living his best life ever in a wonderful home. The eye removal was a complete success and he will forever be a pirate for Halloween! YOUR donation saved his life!

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Looking back on this crazy year past, it would be amiss to not mention our sweet boy Rocky. Rocky came to us November 23 of last year (2019). A handsome Pit Bull mix of just over 2 years, he came into us as a "stray". With little training, and being super boisterous, we got to work right away with teaching him some manners. So eager to please was he we were sure he would find a home in no time. Not a good fit with small dogs or cats but a huge lover of people he was a favourite of the shelter staff. Then the day came, and he got adopted - Yay for Rocky! The celebration was to be short lived as Rocky came back to us once again: his new family just didn't work out. The days ticked on and turned to weeks, which turned to months. Rocky desperately wanted his own family, and we wanted that for him too. Many people would have given up on a 2.5-year-old Pit Bull who had been a stray and then returned. He could easily have become a statistic were it not for people like YOU. Your donation is what allowed us to keep Rocky in a safe and loving shelter for as long as it took for his forever to come. And it did, after 128 days Rocky was adopted again and is now living a wonderful life with his new family.

Speaking of time... Your donations give the gift of time to many animals. Like Cali and her baby Kitty. Cali came to us as a stray who was weeks away from

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giving birth. This is not uncommon in our line of work, we see so many momma cats come in who need a safe. warm place to have their kittens. All our pregnant mommas go out to our experienced fosters who then keep them safe and secure with the support of us. We provide everything the cat will need from the moment they head "home" till they come back to us. Cali was a small girl and struggled a bit giving birth. Little Kitty took her time coming into this world and wasn't breathing when she was born. Our dedicated and experienced foster knew what to do and rubbed the little kitten till it took a breath. That little kitten is here today, thriving, thanks to you. Her momma Cali is doing a great job and soon those kittens and her will be off to their forever homes. We have the time, we have the expertise, we have the supplies all because you and our other donors care.

There are so many stories, it's always hard to know which ones to share. These are just three examples of where your donation goes and what your donation does and the lives that YOU changed forever. Never underestimate the power of one person, every donation saves lives.

"No one is useless in this world who lightens the burdens of another." - Charles Dickens



Rocky



Buddy



Eva







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