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



HUMANE SOCIETY FOR INLAND MENDOCINO COUNTY

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PUP PUP's (aka SUKI) ADOPTION



I just wanted to send over a thank you and express some gratitude. Sunday my partner and I stopped in late in the day and ended up leaving with Pup Pup hoping she would be a good fit for our fur fam, and she has been nothing but wonderful joy and excitement. She is getting along with both Karlos and our 3 cats. She's learning to walk on a leash quickly (photo attached) with the help of Karlos leading the way. She slept all of the 2.5-hour drive home. She is the most precious little peanut and we couldn't have had a better shot at an addition to our family and life. Thank you and your entire staff for helping us leave with a new family member.

This brings me to my next point.....The way everyone at your facility treated us kindly and kept us informed of procedures due to Pup Pup being a recent intake was outstanding. We received many apologies for not being able to follow standard procedures of our current dog, Karlos, to meet a new intake was so much appreciated. I can't express how many times I've been into a shelter and have been turned away for little mishaps that don't fit their standards, but your willingness to find your dogs a new and loving home blew us both away.

Your facilities were clean and well kept. Everyone staying late to do anything possible to provide good homes for the pets you're sheltering. The information you provided us to take home, and setting up follow up appointments to ensure they are going to the correct, and a good, place. It's all very welcoming and humbling knowing there are good establishments out there providing for our fur friends in need.

I could go on and on about how wonderful the entire experience was. We can't thank you enough. Pup Pup did, after many transitions, end up with a new name, Suki. She is still learning it but is very attentive to both my partner and I, I have no doubts she will catch on soon!

Thank you and your entire staff loud and kindly, your professionalism and gratitude has most definitely not gone unnoticed. I hope this email finds you all well and we will be in touch to ensure Suki is well taken care of and loved here in our home. - Micah C.





THE FeLV COTTAGE HAS A REVOLVING DOOR

Chandler started off in our FeLV Cottage in September 2021 and spent nearly two and a half years onsite before he was adopted in January of 2024. Unfortunately, due to his family having a big lifestyle change he came back to us in July. Little did he know, Chandler was only here to stay for twelve days! A previous FeLV cat adopter had heard that Chandler was back and came down as soon as she could to take him home. Chandler now lives with HSIMC Alumni Bug and his forever family.

Our FeLV Cottage is empty again! And after adopting out 12 FeLV cats since 2021, we are confident that we can help save more. We have extended offers to other facilities to transfer in any FeLV cats that would fit in our program and we may be receiving another FeLV cat soon.





FIREFLY'S JOURNEY: FROM EMERGENCY TO RECOVERY



In early July, Firefly was brought to us from Calpella after encountering a serious complication while giving birth. One of her kittens was obstructed, leading to an emergency situation. The team at East Hill Veterinary Clinic quickly performed a c-section, but unfortunately, Firefly's kittens did not survive.

Despite the setback, Firefly is now recovering well after months of hernia repairs and drain replacements. Thanks to the dedicated care of one of our medical fosters she is steadily improving and will soon be ready for adoption. Stay tuned for updates on Firefly and other pets awaiting their forever homes.

Thank you to everyone who supports our mission and makes it possible for us to provide critical care to animals in need.

MR. MAN, MS. MA'AM and FIP

Mr. Man was a happy little kitten living his best life in his foster-to-adopt home with his sister, Ms. Ma'am when one day his family noticed that he was not doing very well. Right away we noticed that something was wrong and got him to our vet as soon as they opened. Mr. Man was diagnosed with FIP (feline infectious peritonitis), a formerly fatal infection.

Luckily, there is now a treatment for FIP and Dr. Chana started treatment for him right away. Within 24 hours Mr. Man started feeling better.

A few weeks later his sister also came down with FIP and once we obtained the oral treatment both she and her brother were reunited in their foster-to-adopt home.

Today their people report that they are responding well to the treatment and are happy, healthy kittens.





ADOPTION UPDATE: DIRT LITTER!



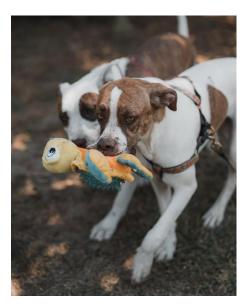


On July 9th the Dirt Litter Turned One and to CELEBRATE their Foster Mom invited everyone over for a Birthday Bash! A few of the littermates were able to attend and much fun was had! How cool are these pictures?!

Have you been following the Dirt Litter since before their arrival when Mama Mirabel and Sister Isabela were found in the wilderness, miles and miles from civilization? If so, hasn't it been incredible to watch these pups grow?!

Cheers to Many Years!

Adoption Success Stories Start at HSIMC



FRIENDS HELP FRIENDS SPAY CATS



Thanks to the unwavering support of Dr. Burns and the dedicated team at Mendocino County Animal Care Services (MCACS), we successfully spayed and neutered 74 of our cats in August. Among those were 32 kittens, each had been waiting in their foster to adopt homes to be altered before their adoption.

The teamwork between HSIMC and MCACS was truly inspiring. The efficiency and compassion shown by Dr. Burns and the clinic team ensured that these cats received the care they needed and were ready to embark on their journey to forever homes.



We couldn't have achieved this without the collective effort of our friends and partners. Your continued support helps us create a brighter future for our furry companions.

Thank you Dr. Burns and Mendocino County Animal Care Services (MCACS) for being a crucial part of this success story. Together, we make a difference, one cat at a time.



VOLUNTEER / FOSTER

VOLUNTEER WITH US

Volunteer orientations are held on the first Thursday and last Sunday of each month at 11am, so be sure to mark your calendars! We're eager to welcome new volunteers to join our team.

Right now, our shelter is overwhelmed with animals in need and could really use more helping hands to provide the care they deserve.

Volunteers can help change that!

Our volunteers play a crucial role in keeping the dogs and cats at the shelter happy, healthy, and ready for adoption.

With a full team of volunteers, we're able to provide better care and accomplish so much more. Just a few hours of your time each month can make a big difference—not only in the lives of our animals but also by easing some of the stress our team is currently facing.

NOW IS THE TIME TO JOIN US!

When attending orientation, be sure to wear closed toe shoes and bring some treats if you are able to! Orientation is around 1 hour long and we have made some changes to help make it easy for everyone to get in the groove! For more information, please visit our website:

https://mendohumanesociety.com/sign-up-today

FOSTERING IS A BLESSING

Fostering provides our animals with love, warmth, comfort, safety and new experiences.

If you have the time and space and would like to help an animal in need, please visit our website to learn more and submit an application.

We want to keep our animals as comfortable as possible and having them in a foster home helps us learn so much more about their personalities.

We can provide all the supplies, you provide a temporary loving home.

Contact us to Foster :

Wed-Fri 1pm-5pm

Sat-Sun 11am-3pm

707-485-0123 ext 302

Dogs/Puppies: kelsey@hsimc.org / Cats/Kittens: emily@hsimc.org

https://mendohumanesociety.com/sign-up-today

FOSTER WARNING:

Before fostering animals from Humane Society for Inland Mendocino County, please be aware of the following potential side effects:

- **Feelings of Overwhelming Love**: You may experience a profound sense of affection and attachment toward your foster animals. Symptoms include spontaneous smiling, frequent petting, and a deep bond that forms quickly.
- **Increased Companionship:** Expect a notable increase in companionship. This can result in daily interactions with a loyal and grateful animal, leading to less loneliness and more joy in your home.
- **Frequent Laughter:** Be prepared for frequent moments of laughter caused by playful antics and endearing behaviors of your foster pet. This side effect is common and can be highly contagious.
- Enhanced Sense of Purpose: Many foster caregivers report a heightened sense of purpose and fulfillment from helping an animal in need. This may lead to a greater overall sense of well-being and satisfaction.
- Strengthened Community Ties: You might find yourself more connected with your local community through involvement with the shelter and fellow animal lovers. Symptoms include making new friends and expanding your social network.
- **Risk of Foster Failures:** Be aware that fostering may lead to an inability to say goodbye, resulting in permanent adoption. This side effect is known as a "foster failure" and is often accompanied by lifelong joy and a happy home for your pet. At HSIMC, we call these "foster success" stories!

In Case of Overwhelming Love:

If you find the love too overwhelming, adoption services are available to make your foster pet a permanent member of your family.

For more information on fostering and to discuss your potential side effects, please reach out to our foster team:

Dogs/Puppies: kelsey@hsimc.org

Cats/Kittens: emily@hsimc.org

A NEW INITIATIVE to keep dogs in homes - GOODPUP!!



Humane Society for Inland Mendocino County is excited to announce our partnership with the GoodPup dog training app! GoodPup offers customized, affordable, positive dog training that you can access from the comfort of your home, at a time that works for YOU.

We are really excited about the possibility of better-behaved dogs! (And fewer dogs that need new homes due to behavioral issues.) GoodPup offers one week of free training; there is no obligation, and users can cancel at any time. Here's what else to know:

• If you've ever adopted a dog from HSIMC, you can sign up for the GoodPup app, and get a lifetime discount off their services. (This is good for HSIMC fosters, volunteers, and staff members, too.)

Here is the code to get started: <u>https://links.goodpup.com/shelter/</u><u>MendocinoHS</u>

• If you haven't adopted from HSIMC but are still interested in the training, please visit: <u>https://links.goodpup.com/shelter/MendocinoHSTraining</u>

For everyone who keeps up with GoodPup beyond the first week of training, HSIMC will receive \$40 from the company – whether the dog is from us or not! These funds will help us with our behavior program so we can continue to support the needs of our dogs who are onsite or in homes (Remember, that first week is free.)

We live in a rural community with limited resources to sound training techniques. We love that this virtual training experience can help people and their pups from the comfort of their own home.

We hope this helps some puppies learn how to be good dogs, and also helps some old dogs learn new tricks! Thank you, GoodPup!

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, 55 gal Black Trash Bags, 32 Gallon Clear Trash Bags, 13 gallon trash bags

For the Cats

KMR Kitten Formula, Miracle Nipples, Dry Cat/Kitten Food, Canned Cat/Kitten Food, Probiotics, Catnip,Toys, Hammocks, Cardboard Scratchers

For the Dogs

Puppy Pads, Good Quality Dog/Puppy Food, Canned Dog/Puppy Food, X-pens, Wire Crates, Martingale Collars, Probiotic Capsules, Kongs, Leashes, Wire Crates

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.

Charlotte Oeding, Fred Ehnow, Julie Golden, Joe & Rhonda Hurlbut, Stephen McGrath, Paul Shimmin, McCarty's Auto Body Inc., Natural Solutions Wildlife Enterprises, Tom & Star Gilley, Carrie Gillespie, Nadine Johns, Marybeth Kelly, Christine Clark, Julia Knudsen, Mary & Donald Mitchell, Anonymous Donor, Sharon Garman, Creative Workshop, Myrna Hurst, Listen to Sleep, Shirlie March, Angie McCartney

Donations Made in Honor of People & Pets

Larcye Wright, Iker the Boxer, Jim Moorehead, Coal Leviloff, Ruby

Donations Made in Memory of People & Pets

Mary Purcell, Peggy Anderson, Erica Gonzales, Willie T., Pat Trujillo

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: <u>https://mendohumanesociety.com/vehicledonation</u>



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: <u>jking@hsimc.org</u>

Shout OUTS

A HEARTFELT THANKS TO COMMUNITY FIRST CREDIT UNION!



We are beyond grateful to Community First Credit Union of Ukiah for their generous donation toward our Annual Kritter Karnival! This fun-filled event is one of the highlights of our year, bringing together our community to celebrate and support the animals in our care. Your support helps us continue to provide essential care, resources, and loving homes for animals in need.

A special shout out to Chandra B. and Rita S. for taking the time to visit our facility and personally deliver CFCU's generous contribution. We appreciate your dedication to our mission and the care you have for the well-being of our furry friends.

Thank you, CFCU, for being a true friend to the Humane Society and helping us make a difference!



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A BIG THANK YOU to MVOutdoor for Renewing Our Billboard!

We are thrilled to announce that MVOutdoor has once again renewed our billboard opportunity, and we absolutely love the new design! Having a billboard in Mendocino County is an invaluable gift that allows us to reach a wider audience, connect with potential adopters, donors, and volunteers, and ultimately, help save more lives.

MVOutdoor's kindness and generosity provide us with an incredible advertising platform that makes a real difference in our ability to serve the animals in our care. We are so grateful for their continued support!

Be sure to visit <u>MVOutdoor.com</u> for your outdoor advertising needs, and if you're driving North on the highway, don't miss our brand-new billboard on display at the Orr Springs overpass on the West side of the road!

THANK YOU, MVOutdoor, for helping us make a lasting impact!

CELEBRATING A LONG-TIME SUPPORTER: PARDINI APPLIANCE



Proud Partner of Humane Society for Inland Mendocino County At HSIMC, we are fortunate to have incredible community partners, and Pardini Appliance has been one of our most dedicated supporters. As a long-standing Business Partner, Pardini Appliance consistently demonstrates their commitment to the work we do for the animals in our care. Their support over the years has made a meaningful impact on our ability to provide shelter, medical care, and forever homes to animals in need.

What makes Pardini Appliance's generosity even more special is their *Pardini Pup Certificates*, which they offer to all of our dog adopters to use at their store. In addition, for every dog adopted, they donate **\$5 to HSIMC**, directly contributing to the well-being of our furry friends.

We are so grateful to Pardini Appliance for their unwavering support, and we look forward to continuing this incredible partnership for years to come.

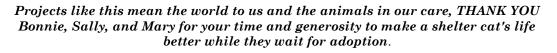
Thank you, Pardini, for helping us make a difference, one adoption at a time!

Shout OUTS

REDWOOD EMPIRE LIONS CLUB OF UKIAH & DFM AUTO REPAIR PARTNER FOR PETS

BIG THANK YOU to Bonnie and Sally of Redwood Empire Lions Club for sewing their big hearts out for our onsite cats. Together, with a fabric donation from Mary at DFM Auto Repair, 28 curtains were made and delivered to our Cattery!

At HSIMC, we are always looking for ways to make the time animals spend at our shelter as comfortable as we can. These curtains provide our cats with a safe space to hide when they need it most. The shelter can be a stressful place, and having coverage within their condo is essential for their well-being. Managing stress can be the difference between a healthy cat and a sick cat, and a simple, cost-effective curtain can make all the difference.





A HUGE THANK YOU to CREATIVE WORKSHOP!

Did you notice a difference in last quarter's newsletter? Well, that's because Creative Workshop printed it, and we couldn't be more excited to have their support. We are incredibly grateful to the amazing team at Creative Workshop, who have generously offered to print our quarterly newsletter. Their support helps us stay connected with our wonderful community and spread the word about the lifesaving work we're doing for animals in need.

Not only is their work top-notch, but the folks at Creative Workshop are some of the kindest and most thoughtful people we've had the pleasure of working with. Their commitment to helping local organizations like ours truly makes a difference.

Thank you, Creative Workshop, for your generosity and for being such an important part of our mission!

Wishlist

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 following links and check-out our Wishlists:



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

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

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!

Letter from our Board President

Dear Animal Lovers, Rescuers, Fosters, and Adopters,

Thank you for being part of this amazing "family"! My name is Teresa King, and I am honored to introduce myself as the new president of the board of directors for HSIMC. I've been volunteering here for over three years and have served on the board for much of that time.

My husband, John (you may remember him!), and I moved to Redwood Valley in 2017, shortly before the Redwood Complex fire. Though it was a frightening experience, it deepened my resolve to give back to our new home in Redwood Valley and Mendocino County.

We originally moved from the Santa Cruz mountains to be closer to our daughter and her family in Cloverdale. Both John and I had been working in the tech industry, with my last 20 years focused on corporate tradeshows and events. Fortunately, I've been able to apply many of those skills to HSIMC, particularly in our fundraising efforts. I led the planning of the big gala event for the past two years—hopefully, you had a chance to attend!

Like many organizations, the pandemic has posed challenges for HSIMC. We've faced difficulties, as have many non-profits, but one constant has been the unwavering support of our community. Whether it's food, clean towels, or the time you dedicate to volunteering, you never fail us. We are so grateful for your continued support—thank you!

My Goals for the Year Ahead

As we move into the new year, I have a few goals to share with you:

1. Rebuilding Our Board

Due to various life changes, we've lost four valuable board members. I would love to see 2-3 new faces join us, people who have skills to support our mission of saving animals. If you're passionate about animal rescue and would like to get involved, please attend a board meeting to learn more. Being on the board doesn't require a lot of time or experience, just the commitment to help us continue navigating through both the good and challenging times.

2. Fundraising Chairperson Needed

We are currently without a fundraising chairperson, and I'm looking for someone to help lead our efforts in this area. This position is crucial for planning and directing our fundraising strategies. How can we best educate the public about the importance of spaying, neutering, fostering, and adoption? Where can we find donations and community support? If you'd like to explore these questions with me, I'd love to discuss further.

3. Grant Research Assistance

We also need someone who has experience—or the time to learn—how to research available grants. There are many grant opportunities out there for animal welfare organizations, and we need someone who can help us find and apply for them.

Let's Stay Connected

I look forward to meeting many of you throughout the year. Please don't hesitate to reach out with any questions or to discuss how you can get involved. You are always welcome at our board meetings, held on the 3rd Wednesday of each month at 6:00 PM at the Redwood Valley Grange (8650 East Rd., Redwood Valley).

Thank you again for all that you do to support HSIMC and the animals who depend on us.

Warm regards, Teresa King President, HSIMC Board of Directors teresa@hsimc.org



YTD SHELTER STATS: January 1, 2024 thru September 30, 2024

Shelter Stats: What Are We Doing?

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

2024 Intakes Breakdown as of 9/30/2024			
Total Intake:	Owner Surrender:	Rescue Transfer In:	
Dogs: 247 Cats: 378	Dogs: 119 Cats: 119	Dogs: 76 Cats: 3	
Strays:	Ferals: 79	Other Intakes:	
Dogs: 43 Cats: 156		Dogs: 9 CP Cats: 20 Born in Care	

2024 Outcomes Breakdown as of 9/30/2024			
Total Outcomes:	Return to Owner:	Rescue Transfer Out:	
Dogs: 248 Cats: 368	Dogs: 5 Cats: 2	Dogs: 12 Cats: 21	
Adoptions:	TNR:	Deaths:	
Dogs: 228 Cats: 314	*Not currently performing TNR	Dogs: 2 Euth, 1 DIC Cats: Died in care: 20 Euthanized: 6 Lost: 0	

Current & Future Events in 2024



Jack & Noel's Pumpkin Patch

IS HOSTING AN ADOPTION EVENT & CANNED FOOD DRIVE FOR HSIMC!

\$5 OFF TO ANYONE WHO BRINGS A CASE OF CANNED WET FOOD FOR THE ANIMALS



Join us for an afternoon of fun!

When: Where: Saturday, October 12th 9526 Laughlin Way 11am - 2pm Redwood Valley, CA

Pumpkin Patch

- Kids Activities
- Adoptable Dogs & Puppies



Current & Future Events in 2024



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#### Quarter Three Is A Wrap!

Thank you all for being a part of our nonprofit rescue community and following our stories. We hope you are all doing well and staying positive and safe as the world continues to change around us. Your continued support allows us to offer life-saving programs and resources, like the recent Kitten College event.

Kitten College is a nonprofit organization offering vital support to animal shelters and rescues working to save neonatal kittens. Through education, resource sharing, and training, they strive to decrease euthanasia while increasing the quality of life for these vulnerable felines.

Not only was our staff in attendance but so were several community members. We had 24 total participants come on site for education and training. Education plays a vital role in empowering our community to help care for the most vulnerable animals. Special thank you to Marnie Russ of Nations Kitten College and Erika Shaffer of Maddie's Fund for bringing Kitten College to HSIMC! If anyone is interested in the course, you can find more information here: https://university.maddiesfund.org/ products/taking-the-fear-out-of-bottle-feeding-and-basic-kitten-care

Now, let's dive into what's happening in the rescue community. We know the conversation tends to lead toward animal rescue organizations being overwhelmed by the number of animals needing support, a lack of resources, and the community not receiving the necessary help when stray animals are found.

These discussions are challenging because they highlight the significant obstacles we face. Every day, shelters like ours are at capacity, and we are struggling as we see longer lengths of stay and fewer adopters. We are continually faced with the heartbreaking reality of having to turn away animals in need simply because we lack the space and resources to accommodate them.

The rise in length of stay can be attributed to several factors. First, impacts of the economy have placed a significant strain on many families and as housing situations change we are seeing an increase in rentals that do not allow pets. This is forcing pet owners to re-home their animal or become homeless. For anyone to make a choice between keeping their pet or having a home is heartbreaking.

Additionally, the availability of low cost spay and neuter programs has become a growing concern. In September 2024, the Board of Supervisors for Mendocino County voted to utilize grant funds to purchase a new Care-A-Van. While there are many factors to take into consideration for Care-A-Van to build into a highly functioning program, we are hopeful for positive changes as MCACS on- boards this new opportunity.

We are also seeing a rise in the number of stray animals in our community and encourage pet owners to make arrangements to ensure their pets stay home. By securing your pets, you help keep them safe from the risks they face while roaming, such as traffic, wildlife, or getting lost. If you are experiencing challenges in containing or caring for your pets, we are here to help with advice, resources, and services designed to support pet owners in our community.

Despite these challenges, we are incredibly proud of the work we have accomplished together with your support. In the past quar-ter, we have successfully rescued 164 animals and re-homed 201 animals, providing them with the love and care they deserve. Our dedicated volunteers and staff have gone above and beyond, working tirelessly to ensure each animal receives the attention and medical care they need.

Thanks to the dedication of our community, we've made great progress, but our work is far from finished. The need for support continues, and we rely on our compassionate community members to help us continue our mission. Here's how you can make a difference:

- 1. Adopt: If you're considering bringing a new pet into your home, please consider adopting from a local shelter. By choosing to adopt, you are not only giving an animal a home but you also opening space for another to have a chance to find a home. You save two lives when you adopt.
- 2. Foster: If adoption isn't an option, consider becoming a foster parent. Fostering gives the animal a safe place to be while they wait for a home.
- 3. Volunteer: Our shelter always needs volunteers to assist with daily tasks, events, fundraising and animal care. Your time and skills are invaluable to us.
- 4. **Donate:** Financial contributions help us provide medical care, food, and shelter for our animals. Every donation, no matter the size, makes a significant impact.
- 5. Spread Awareness: Share our mission and stories with your friends and family. The more people who know about the challenges we face, the more support we can garner.

Together, we can continue to make a difference in the lives of countless animals. Thank you for standing by our side and supporting us in this vital work. We are grateful for your unwavering commitment and compassion to our cause and mission.



Jenny Hanzlik, Shelter Director

#### MISSION

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