THE PEI HUMANE SOCIETY

APRIL 1, 2022 - MARCH 31, 2023



PEI HUMANE SOCIETY MISSION STATEMENT

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OUR VISION

The PEI Humane Society will provide leadership across Prince Edward Island, in ensuring the proper treatment of companion animals

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OUR VALUES

- Humane treatment and care for all companion animals
- Protection from and prevention of abuse and neglect for all companion animals
- Promoting informed and responsible ownership of companion animals
- Protecting public health and safety relating to companion animals
- Promoting the continued health and safety of employees and visitors to the PEI Humane Society

SPECIAL THANKS TO OUR PARTNERS



PEI HUMANE SOCIETY 2022-23

A LETTER TO YOU

from your friends at the shelter

The 2022-23 fiscal year (from April 1, 2022 – March 31, 2023) was a demanding year for the PEI Humane Society. Coming out of the COVID-19 pandemic, the shelter was faced with challenges that impacted our operations and programming in new ways.

Of course, the most important piece of news to share is that site preparation began on our new animal shelter! As we end the fiscal year, we are beginning to see our construction plans take shape. This huge project will provide our organization over 17,000 square feet of Fear Free animal welfare space, dedicated to increasing our capacity to care for companion animals across the province.

Because we are building the new shelter at the back of our 2-acre property in Charlottetown, we are going to be able to keep our existing shelter building, as well. By having both structures dedicated to animal welfare, we will turn our existing property into the PEI Humane Society Campus – a real dream come true!

We do not know what we will use the old shelter building for yet, but we're working on ideas which could support our work into the next several years.

Though construction has not yet been completed, our impact is already growing. For example, Safe Haven, our emergency animal housing program, saw a huge increase in demand this year. We also began doing facilitated adoptions, which keep animals with their original owners while we hunt for a their new forever home, reducing stress and keeping animals where they belong: in a home.

This year has brought some significant changes to our work and has our entire team excited for what comes next. Throughout this report, you will learn about the successes and challenges we have faced in the 2022-23 fiscal year. We hope that as you read about our work you realize that we could not do any of what we do without your support.

Thank you!

INTAKES & ADOPTIONS

Our intake numbers will always differ from our adoption numbers.

The PEI Humane Society takes in many more animals each year than those that enter our adoption program. Stray animals, those needing emergency housing, or those brought to us through Animal Protection are all included in our day-to-day work and spend time in our care.



1036 Adoptions

SURRENDERING PETS WILL REMAIN FREE

The ongoing economic challenges facing our province have increased intakes over the last two years at the PEI Humane Society.

We understand the challenges facing Islanders and we will continue to keep surrenders free to help lessen the burden of those who choose to surrender their pets during these challenging times.

REDUCING BARRIERS

Our newest program for reducing the strain and impact of surrendering animals is facilitated adoptions. This works like a normal adoption, except that animals remain in their original homes while the shelter looks for a new family to take them in.

The shelter still provides healthcare and examines these animals, but they do not have to live at the shelter and therefore have a less jarring transition into their new home. 195%

increase in surrenders in the last two years

148

returned home

72

animals spent time in our Safe Haven program

ADOPTIONS SLOW

Adoptions were reduced over last year, but they also slowed down. Here's why that is interesting and what it means for our animals and for our work.

28 DAYS

the average amount of time an animal stayed in our care this year

LENGTH OF STAY

Last year (2021-2022 fiscal year), animals spent an average of 26 days at the shelter. This year, this number increased to 28 days.

The amount of time an animal remains in care is influenced by many factors. For example, an animal with more complex health or behavioural needs can take longer to assess and diagnose, therefore they need more time in care before going home. These animals can also take longer to get adopted, as their needs are more specialized.

CAPACITY CONCERNS

This year, we spent more days above our capacity than any year on record. This contributed to the increase in length of stay at our shelter. More animals means more work for our team and more work means the process to move an animal from intake to adoption can slow down.

HOW CAN YOU HELP?

Follow us on Facebook (PEI Humane Society) and Instagram (@pei_hs) to help our animals find their forever homes faster! You can make a difference to our animals by sharing their stories with your friends and family.

Telling their stories is our job, but we ask you to help spread the word!

Until one has loved an animal a part of one's soul remains unawakened.

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ANIMAL PROTECTION

At the PEI Humane Society we strive to go above and beyond the requirements for animal welfare standards put forward by the Canadian Advisory Council on National Shelter Standards in the Canadian Guidelines for Standards of Care in Animal Shelters. These guidelines help us continue to have the highest standards of care.



HUMANE CASES

These are cases that involve officers assessing the welfare of a companion animal.

124 Dog Act Cases

PEI DOG ACT CASES

These cases vary greatly but involve issues directly relevant to the PEI Dog Act.

93 Bylaw Cases

BYLAW CASES

These cases involve municipalities in which animal protection are contracted for bylaw enforcement purposes.



CLOSED CASES

These are all of the above that have been completed. Some cases span over several fiscal years. Therefore not all opened cases will be closed in the same year.

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MEDICAL CARE & SURGERIES

One of the largest expenses the PEI Humane Society takes on each year are costs related to surgeries for our animals.

OAKLYNN'S STORY

Oaklynn, a 3-month-old chihuahua puppy, was surrendered to the PEI Humane Society with her two siblings. The puppies arrived at the shelter in a reusable shopping bag, covered in mud and feces, and very cold.

After a warm bath and a good cuddle, the puppies recovered from their traumatic arrival and went into foster care. Unfortunately, while playing with her siblings, Oaklynn got hurt and ended up breaking her leg in two places.

The shelter was quoted over \$5,000 to save her leg and we reached out to our community for support.

Islanders heard our call and rose to the occasion, raising over \$30,000 in just a few days for Oaklynn's medical needs. We were able to look after Oaklynn's needs, send her to her forever home, and look after two other animals with complex needs thanks to our incredible community's support.

Oaklynn is one example of how we could not do the work we do without your help. Your support means the world to us and our animals. 782 spay and neuter surgeries were completed for our animals this year

3212 medical procedures were performed for our animals this year

\$84,127.48

spent on medical needs this year





Animals are such agreeable friends - they ask no questions; they pass no criticisms.

GEORGE ELIOT

VOLUNTEERS MAKE OUR WORK... WORK!

Scott Lewis, a long-time volunteer at the shelter helps Kylie, a nervous Rottweiler relax amidst a sudden downpour.



OUR VOLUNTEERS ARE OUR HEART

If you're looking for a way you can make a significant and immediate impact at our shelter, we recommend you look into volunteering. Volunteers provide the following incredible supports for our shelter:

- Dog Walking
- Dog & Cat Socialization
- Cleaning & Organization
- Making toys (stuffing Kong treats, etc.)

Our volunteers undergo training, supported by our experienced professional staff of animal care attendants. The shelter does not set shifts for volunteers to come in. This means you can come by the shelter anytime we're open, around your schedule.

DO YOU WANT TO GET INVOLVED?

To sign up to volunteer, head over to our website and fill in the signup form. Our Volunteer Coordinator will be in touch to set up a tour to get you started.

You can find the sign-up form and all additional information here: www.peihumanesociety.com/volunteer/

Tucker (adopted 2022) & River (adopted 2023)

SUZANNE'S "FOSTER FAIL" CATS. BOTH ADOPTED FROM PEIHS.

FOSTERS SAVE LIVES AT PEIHS

389

animals spent time in our foster program this year

HEAR FROM A FOSTER: SUZANNE'S STORY

"Being a foster for the PEI Humane Society is an emotional journey that goes beyond just cuddling animals, although this is an unmistakable perk!

As a foster, you become a lifeline for the vulnerable and voiceless who arrive on the society's doorstep, in desperate need of a second chance. Each time you open your heart and home to a new placement, you help ease the burden on the shelter, enabling its incredible staff to focus on the urgent rescue, care, and placement of animals in need.

The work isn't always easy, as seeing injured, distressed, or abandoned animals can be challenging and, at times, heartbreaking. Yet, with the kindness and support from shelter staff to soothe anxieties and offer guidance, we become part of a team making miracles happen for little lives on a daily basis.

The shelter is committed to helping as many lives as possible, but it cannot do it all alone. By taking in even a few placements over the year, I'm helping make a difference in the lives of animals who deserve so much better while assisting the shelter to accomplish more with the resources available. My time as a foster has been immensely rewarding. I am proud to be part of the PEI Humane Society's foster community and grateful for everyone involved in this essential program." and the second s

The greatness of a nation can be judged by the way its animals are treated.

MAHATMA GHANDI

FUNDRAISING

It costs over \$1,000,000.00 to run our shelter each year. We fundraise to support our important work.

CHANGING THINGS UP

During the COVID-19 pandemic, we had to look at new fundraising strategies. Because folks could not gather in public places, we were forced us to figure out how to support our work in new ways.

We decided to go digital and created our online photo contest. This fundraiser was lots of fun and had us laughing all summer long at the adorable and quirky photos sent to us by our community.

Now that the pandemic is behind us and we're looking to the future, we plan to retire this fundraiser and look at doing sometime equally fun during the summer months.

Make sure to follow our social media channels to be notified when we make the announcement!

INDEPENDENT FUNDRAISING

Are you interested in running a fundraiser for the PEI Humane Society? We would love to work with you to create an event that is fun and engaging for your customers, friends, or family.

Send us an email at **community@peihumanesociety.com** and we will help you plan and advertise your event!

\$15,907 Photo Contest

\$10,548

Kitten Shower

\$144,485 Annual Fundraising Campaign

\$25,410

Bake Sale

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Leaving a legacy you can be proud of is important. We thank those who choose to support our work in their Will and via planned giving.

MAKING A MAJOR IMPACT IN ANIMAL WELFARE

Over the half-century since the PEI Humane Society has been operating, planned and estate gifts have been an important part of ensuring our doors have stayed open.

These gifts make it possible for our shelter care team to purchase the supplies needed to offer individual care to all of our animals, regardless of their needs. This can be as simple as providing hypoallergenic food, or as specific as paying for a major surgery for an animal before they leave our shelter for their forever home.



\$58,225

A NEW KIND OF GIFT

The largest emerging trend in charitable giving in Canada is gifts of securities. Gifts of securities can consist of appreciated stocks, bonds, or mutual funds, given to a charity in your name. Like a donation of funds, these gifts are eligible for a tax receipt, and can be donated at any time!

The PEI Humane Society works with CanadaHelps to accept gifts of securities. This year, donations of securities bought necessary equipment for our shelter and supported the costs of several surgeries.

WANT MORE INFORMATION?

If you're interested in talking about how you can include the PEI Humane Society in your planned giving strategy, or in your will, we invite you to reach out and connect with our development and communications coordinator for a confidential chat:

Ashley Travis 902-892-1190 ext. 32 or atravis@peihumanesociety.com PEI HUMANE SOCIETY 2022-23

We received donations in loving memory of the following people and animals this year.

"Anne" Elizabeth Johnston "Heather" Lyn Gillis "Scotty" Alden Melvin Pierce Scott "Scotty" Alden Scott "Wendell" Gerard Toombs A. Bennett MacRae Abby Alauna, Fender, & Duke Albert Martin Alden "Scotty" Scott Alden Scott "Scotty" Alfred 'Fred' Doucette Aline Beaton Alistair & Sheila Stewart Allan David Collings Allan MacDonald Allan MacKenzie Allison Carr Amy Palmer Andrew Johnstone Ann Johnston Anna & Maurice Murphy Anna (Jean) Gregory Anna Meston Anna Shepherd Anna Stewart Anne Elizabeth Johnston Anne Johnston Annie MacPhee Arlene Helen Asling Art Lanigan Art Mitchell Arthur "Art" Lanigan Arthur Horne Arthur Lanigan Bailey Barb Roundell Barbara Helen Henry Beanie Maclellan Bear Bella! Ben Gallant Ben's Best Bud, Lyle Campbell Benjamin Joseph Gallant Benny & Sophie **Betty Bambrick** Betty Blake Betty Carolyn Stewart Betty Gillard Betty Osborne Betty Shepard Betty Shephard Betty Shephard Betty Tramley

Betty White Beverly Ann Arsenault **Beverly Arsenault** Bill Knox Bob Leard Bob Leard Bobbi Jo MacWilliams Bodie (cat) Brandon Gallant Brenda Large **Brennan Watts** Carmel Ulric Carolyn Mary Rowe-Turner Casey, best dog ever. Catherine Hendsbee Cece Aylward Cecelia "Cece" Alyward Cecelia Aylward Chailo ladis Chance Charlie Cheryl Ann MacFarlane Cheryl MacFarlane Chip Sweeney Chris Cheverie Chrissy Cheverie Christina Koughan Christina Lea Koughan Christopher (Chrissy) Cheverie Cindy McGuirk Clarissa Alberta "Tessie" McCARVILLE Evelyn (Ebbie) Toombs Cora Anna Hardy Cuddles Dakoda McCormick Dakota Shamus McCormik Daniel Garbett Danny Ehler Daphne Kelly Darby Darlene Dunn Dave Hanson David Alfred Murray David Fildes David Hanson David W Hanson Dawson Peterson Deanna Trotta Debbie (Campbell) Bernard Denis Bright **Diane Furlong** Domi Murphy Don Burnett Don MacCormac Donald Burnett

Donald George "Don" MacCormac Donna "Darlene" Dunn Donna Maureen Curley Donnie Burnett Doreen Enman Doreen Georgie Enman Dorine P. Bryanton Doris Farris Douglas Sherren Dr. Greg Hood Dr. Rocky Campbell Duke Duke Eldon Doucette Elizabeth "Betty" Bambrick Elizabeth "Anne" Johnston Elizabeth "Beth" Margaret Mary Graham Elizabeth "Betty" Bambrick Elizabeth Ann Driscoll (nee Covle) Elizabeth Johnston Elizabeth McGuigan Elizabeth Monkley Ella Vera MacDonald Emily Dawn Smallman Emmie Erin M. Mullen Ernest Albert Butler Errol Myles Perry Ervetta Marjorie "Betty" Shephard Evelyn "Ebbie" Jean Toombs Evelyn Joan Haslam Everett "Mac" MacDonald Everett Charles MacLellan Everett MacDonald Everett MacLellan Everetta Betty Sheppard Faddy Azzom Moustafa Felix Forester Wendt Ferne Belle Gordon Finnegan Florence "Ruth" WHITEWAY (Stewart) Frank Calvert Frank Mcaulay Frankie Dewar Fred DesRoches Fred Doucette Freda Beaton Freda Ethel Beaton Frederick Robert "Bob" Leard Frederick Robert "Bob" Leard Fuzzy G. Don Burnett Gabby Ferretti

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Gail Charman Gail Ethel Doncaster GarthReginald Harris Garth Harris GaryHutt Gary Constable Gary the Pug Gary Wayne Hutt George "Grant" Somers George Donald Burnett George Poole George Whitlock Georgie Silliphant Georgina Gallant Gerald Bruce Gertrude Frankfurt Gilbert Egan Glen A. Rennie Glen A. Rennie Glen Mackay Jr Glenn MacKay Gloria Arsenault Gloria Edith Elizabeth MacRae Gordon Carr Gordon Farrar Gordon Huestis Grace Helen Paynter Jay Graham Batt Grant Gallant Grant Somers Grant Summer Greg Ellis H.G. Mattart Harley Fraser harley james patrick Harold Phillips Harry James Harry Morgan James Heather Gillis Heidi Woodhouse Helen McCarthy Helena Novozilova Henry Albert Gillian Ian Moore lan Stewart Fraser Ida Dianne Stewart Ida Stewart Iona Pound I. Royice Manderson Jack Brown Jack Roy Arbing Jagger & Lily James "Eldon" Doucette James Wallace Bryenton

Jamie Wallace Janette Cudmore lanette Cudmore **JASON ALBERT GAUDET** Jason Albert Gaudet lason Gaudet Jason William Keefe lean Anne Worth lean Gregory Jean Thompson lean Williams Jeanette , Cat - Sonny , Dog - Oreo lessie lewell Joanne Hughes John A Mackinnon John Alfred Doucette John Arthur "Art" Mitchell John Charles MacLean John Doherty John MacInnis John MacKinnon John Patrick MacInnis John Perry John Roberts John Thomas Kane Jonathan George Cantelo Jonathan MacAdam Jorja & Keelee Joseph Lawlor Josephine McInnis Joyce Coughlin Judith Dunsford Judy Callaghan June Marie Ellis Katherine Craig Smallwood Katherine Margaret MacCormac Katherine Rose Ann Smallwood Craig Kathryn Louise Rodd Kendall Drake Kenneth Ernest Rowley Kenneth Parker Kerri Wynn MacLeod Kevin Kiana M Maduro Laura Bertha (Misener) MacGregor Leith Clark Leonard Lutz Lillian MacDonald Lloyd "Teet" Gregory Lloyd Macphail Lloyd Teet (Gregory) Loretta DeRoches Lorraine MacDonald Louise MacClure

Lucas Lucy Lucy MacKenzie Lyle Campbell Lynn Lvnn lacobs M. Colleen Lewis Macy Maggie Pilote Makrk Murray and Lea Slany Malcolm Docherty Margaret Maughan Margaret Weahterbie Margo MacDonald Marguerite "Margo" MacDonald Maria Martins Marijka Wren Haines Marion Finlayson "Gram" Marjorie " Robbie" MacLellan Marjorie Bain Marjorie Bain Marjorie Hooper Dalziel Mark Howlett Mark Thompson Mark Vincent Thompson Mary "Minnie" Szwarc Mary "Ruth" Gurney (nee Murphy) Mary Butler Mary Catherine MacLean Mary Echlov Rosenthal Mary Florence Butler Mary Frances MacDonald Maureen "Moe" Elizabeth McTague Maureen McTague Merrill Condon Merrill Eugene Condon Michael "Mick" Dunn Michael Douglas Wilson Michael John McKinnon Michael McKinnon Michael Wilson Micheal Courtney Micheal J. Courtney age 28 Michelle Dawn Jackson Michelle Jackson Miss Sadie Adams Moxey Bowtel Murray Douglas Watson Murray Watson Nancy Adele Blaisdell Nancy Mary Martha MacKenzie Nancy Montgomery Nettie Lee Morine Nicholas Edward Clark Nick Clark

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Nik Marinosyan Noah MacKenzie Noreen Vanderlie Norma Jean Cutcliffe Olivia Jane Frankfurt Onnik (Nik) Marinosyan Oscar Bateup Ossie Belaire Ozzie Paddy Pat Murphy Patricia Yvonne Judson (Pat Steele) Patsy Cook Paul "Allan" MacDonald Paul Alan MacDonald Paul Winterhalder Peaches Pearl Williams Penelope Ella Pepper Pepper Marinosyan Peter and Pretty Kitty Phoebe Phyllis "Diddy" Wedge Phyllis Wedge Pippa, Buddy and Torry Raymond Brian Affleck Raymond H "Bud: MacDonald Raymond Stanton Clark Reg MacDonald Reginald MacLaren Rejane Bourassa Richard Eldon Rayner Richard Gordon Oxner **Richard Rayner Rick Adair** Riley Rita Dunn Robbie Gill Robert "Bob" Leard Robert Boudreau Robert Bruce "Rob" MacDonald Robert Dumas Robert Gill Robert Kent "Robbie" Gill Robert Leard Robert MacDonald Roddy Diamond Roderick Carl "Roddy" Diamond Ronald Austin MacIntyre Roscoe Sanderson Rose Doherty Rosemarie Bernadette Leroux Roxy Ru

Russell Kelly Ruth Whiteway Sally MacEachern Samson Samuel B. (Sam) Smith Sandra Landis Sandra Marlene Harding Sara Whiteway Sasha Foster Scarlet Scotty Alden Scott Sharon Ann Shadbolt Shirley "Glenn" Newcombe Shirley MacKenzie Stan "Brother" Peardon Stan & David Peardon Stephen Driscoll Sterling MacLure Sue Maclean Susan Brooke Brady Sweet William Sydney Bruce Sylvia Moore Tabitha "Tabby" Harding Tessie McCarville The Durly Durls Theresa Rooney Theresa Viola Acorn TOMASSO Tracy Kuhn Tuffy Vera Ward Virginia Ann Kopachevsky Walter Chandler Wayne Joseph Perry Wayne Schnare Wayne Waite Wendell Ellis Wendell Toombs Wicket William "Ivan" Doucette William "Brian" Watts William Millar William Murphy Willow Winifred Steele

We can judge the heart of a man by his treatment of animals.

IMMANUEL KANT