

Our History

The establishment of Toronto Humane Society was inspired by an anonymous \$2 donation to aid an old, worn-out workhorse in 1887. Today, we are still helping to improve the lives of animals. Now located at 11 River Street, our facility is where animals in need receive food, shelter, enrichment, and medical care. We continue to strengthen the human-animal bond, not just for the animals in our care but through a variety of public services that attend to the needs of animals in our community too.

Why the Human-Animal Bond is Important

It's a bond like no other, and it's the reason we get up in the morning.

If you love animals as much as we do, you understand why we work so hard to provide the best life possible for the animals in our care and the people who bond with them. It's our expertise at every step of the journey, combined with the loving homes provided by people in our community that complete the circle. From the very moment an animal comes into our fold, their wellbeing is our priority.

Support Us

- Donate
- Become a Humane Champion
- Become a Volunteer
- Become a Foster
- Become a Member
- Become an Advocate
- Attend our Events
- Shop at our Pet Boutique

Everyone can contribute in their own way!



Contact Us

If you have questions, please let us know. Our staff can provide information on a variety of subjects including help finding a lost pet, choosing a pet companion or dealing with behavioural issues. Visit www.torontohumanesociety.com or call us at 416-392-2273.

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Improving the Lives
of Animals

Our Purpose

Human-Animal Bond

The Human-Animal Bond positively affects lives in countless ways. For people, connecting with and caring for an animal creates healthier and happier homes. For animals, living in a caring relationship with a human means a life where pain, injury, and disease are addressed and healed, and they are continually well loved.

Ensuring Access to Care

A common barrier which pet owners face is accessing pet care services. We provide solutions to this challenge through direct service provision, collaborating with private sector & remote communities, raising awareness of payment plans, advocating for pet insurance, and other cost mitigation strategies. Additionally, we explore new treatments that improve welfare at a lower cost to ensure people in-need know where and how to access help for their pets.

Reducing Animal Homelessness

We have developed many programs and services to help combat Animal Homelessness, with a goal of finding homes for homeless animals and preventing animal surrenders. There has been substantial progress made towards eliminating pet homelessness across North America, driven primarily by strong advocacy for spaying and neutering and Adopt Don't Shop campaigns. Toronto Humane Society has developed many programs and services for pet parents that focus on strengthening and preserving the human-animal bond in effort of keeping pets with the people who love them.

Traditional Animal Sheltering

Sheltering allows for animals to receive direct, supportive care from medical professionals when not appropriate in a foster setting. In our sheltering programs, the animals we care for do not have homes. With that in-mind, it is our expertise at every step of the journey, to provide world-class enrichment and to maintain high standards of care to achieve optimal comfort during an animals temporary stay.

Community Food Bank

Toronto Humane Society operates a pet food bank seven days a week, 365 days a year, that supplies pet food to individuals, local humane shelters and cat colony caretakers. We understand that from time to time, anyone can fall on hardships. By giving back to the community, we are able to help keep pets and families together, while preventing animals from entering the shelter system.

Public Training and Community Support

Through humane, compassionate, trust-building exercises, our certified training professionals work to strengthen the bond you have with your animal. In-person or virtual, in a group setting or one-on-one, we strive to provide you and your pet with the tools needed to live your best life together.



Public Veterinary Services

Affordability is one of the largest barriers that prevents pets from receiving medical care. At Toronto Humane Society, we operate a Public Veterinary Service Clinic to offer accessible wellness services and care to pet owners of all income levels. Spay/neuter surgeries, vaccines, dental services, flea/tick prevention and wellness check-ups are some of the many health options we provide.

Community Sheltering

Our community sheltering efforts, also known as our Foster Program, focus on animals who are likely to spend more time with us than those who may be adopted quickly. This program also assists pet owners who may be facing a crisis – sudden homelessness, a hospital stay, or financial hardship and are seeking urgent, temporary placement for their animals. Our foster animals receive ongoing care and support from loving foster parents and Toronto Humane Society staff while they prepare for adoption or to be re-united with their loving family.

Pet Parent Support Network

Our Pet Parent Support Network takes a structured approach to ensure that each Pet and Guardian receives the support, advice, and service they need – services and support to build, maintain, and strengthen the Human-Animal Bond. Whether you are in-need of pet supplies, alternatives to pet relinquishment, seeking advice to manage a certain behaviour or have stumbled upon a stray or wildlife, our team is here to help.

Visit www.torontohumanesociety.com to learn more about our services.