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# A LETTER FROM OUR CEO

## AN URGENT PLEA TO SUPPORT THE HUMAN-ANIMAL BOND

Life is full of uncertainty.

I know this to be true, as I'm sure you do too. But this knowledge does not make coping with these times any easier. While we cannot turn our heads away from reality, it is important that we can look to things which calm us, keep us grounded, and provide us with much-needed perspective.

For me, I look to and find comfort in the bond my wife and I share with our cat, Sterling. She has a way of bringing us back down to earth. She is always with us. Relaxing on the couch, helping us in the kitchen, and snuggling at the foot of our bed.

Looking up at me while writing this, her low purrs the only noise in the room, I can't imagine my life without her comforting presence. To me, this is what the human-animal bond is – a reminder that, no matter what is happening around us, there exists an anchor in our lives, a bond to something pure. Amidst all the noise, it gives us pause and brings us back to ourselves.

### **Sadly, this bond has become unsustainable for a growing number of people.**

Rising inflation and the increasing costs of living are putting pressure on pet parents' wallets. These difficulties are compounded by an overwhelmed veterinary system – one in which mental health challenges, wage costs, and other resources are on the rise. People (and their pets) are feeling it. This has resulted in a growing number of pet parents —around 50 percent—without a relationship with a veterinarian. Without this vital relationship, pet parents do not have access to the services and support necessary for their animal's health and well-being.

Without the support to care for their pets, families are left with no choice but to say goodbye to them – a choice I can't imagine having to make. No person or animal should be denied the joy and comfort that comes from the human-animal bond. This declaration, this belief, is at the heart of Toronto Humane Society's 135-year journey of humane care: the sharing, strengthening, and preservation of a bond that can change all lives for the better.

The costs of everything are going up, leaving charities like ours with a difficult dilemma: people are no longer giving like they used to; while at the same time, a growing number of families need social services like ours. Animals are vulnerable; families are desperate.

### **Toronto Humane Society needs support.**

With 135 years of public service, advocacy, and industry leading care under our belt, we have everything we need to meet the challenges ahead and continue to keep families together. Well, almost everything.

I ask you, from one animal lover to another, to please consider supporting Toronto Humane Society and the human-animal bond we fight for. I know things are difficult right now for everyone. But even a small amount, either one time or monthly, will help fund everything from life-saving clinical care to essential support for families and their animals.

Sincerely,



Dr. Jacques Messier, DMV, MBA  
Chief Executive Officer



## OUR MISSION To improve the lives of animals

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# STATEMENT OF FINANCIAL POSITION

Year ended December 31, 2021, with comparative information for 2020

	2021	2020
<b>ASSETS</b>		
<b>CURRENT ASSETS:</b>		
Cash and cash equivalents	\$2,290,538	\$2,495,817
Accounts receivable	\$1,253,743	\$616,929
Prepaid expenses	\$70,240	\$100,658
	<b>\$3,614,521</b>	<b>\$3,213,404</b>
Investments and marketable securities	\$4,299,552	\$4,765,744
Capital assets	\$4,904,361	\$5,199,316
<b>TOTAL ASSETS</b>	<b>\$12,818,434</b>	<b>\$13,178,464</b>
<b>LIABILITIES, DEFERRED CONTRIBUTIONS AND NET ASSETS</b>		
<b>CURRENT LIABILITIES:</b>		
Accounts payable and accrued liabilities	\$1,032,452	\$1,237,450
Deferred contributions	\$156,875	\$56,875
	<b>\$1,189,327</b>	<b>\$1,294,325</b>
Deferred capital contributions	\$263,203	\$410,178
<b>NET ASSETS:</b>		
Invested in capital assets	\$4,641,158	\$4,789,138
Restricted for endowment purposes	\$370,000	\$370,000
Unrestricted	\$6,354,746	\$6,314,823
	<b>\$11,365,904</b>	<b>\$11,473,961</b>
<b>TOTAL LIABILITIES, DEFERRED CONTRIBUTIONS AND NET ASSET</b>	<b>\$12,818,434</b>	<b>\$13,178,464</b>

# STATEMENT OF OPERATIONS

Year ended December 31, 2021, with comparative information for 2020

	2021	2020
<b>REVENUE:</b>		
Fundraising, promotion and public education	\$6,074,121	\$5,962,630
Legacies and bequests	\$5,133,732	\$4,565,733
Other Income	\$729,027	\$1,800,794
Adoption of animal and related fees	\$718,727	\$1,081,328
Public veterinary services	\$615,702	\$667,079
Unrealized gain on investments	\$103,689	\$171,968
Amortization of deferred capital contributions	\$146,975	\$146,975
Realized investment income	\$254,923	\$140,532
	<b>\$13,776,896</b>	<b>\$14,537,039</b>
<b>EXPENSES:</b>		
Animal care and shelter services	\$8,997,114	\$8,741,677
Spay/Neuter Clinic expense	\$1,147,862	\$1,657,732
General and administration	\$1,306,474	\$1,354,478
Fundraising, promotion and public education	\$1,239,716	\$1,266,338
Communication and education programs	\$755,148	\$414,877
Referral care	\$76,052	\$121,035
Investment expense	\$37,587	\$37,460
	<b>\$13,884,953</b>	<b>\$13,593,597</b>
<b>EXCESS (DEFICIENCY) OF REVENUE OVER EXPENSES</b>	<b>\$(108, 057)</b>	<b>\$943,442</b>



# TORONTO HUMANE SOCIETY

## BY THE NUMBERS

Our 2021 Impact



**1,500**

Over 1,500 animals were adopted into new homes.



Toronto Humane Society helped publish 4 medical studies that will help to Improve the Lives of Animals beyond our doors.



**3,000**

More than 3,000 pet parents were supported through our Pet Parent Support Network.



**500**

Nearly 500 families were helped through our public training services



**\$400,000**

Provided over \$400,000 worth of subsidized and free veterinary care. This includes preventative wellness services, dental, and spay/neuter surgeries. These essential services keep animals at home where they belong and out of the shelter system.



**700**

Through our Animal Transport and Relocation Program, over 700 animals were brought into our care who otherwise would have faced uncertain outcomes.



**200**

Over 200 animals were cared for through our Urgent Foster Care Program while their parents got back on their feet.



**42,000**

Supplied over 42,000 pounds of food through our Pet Food Bank.

# Coping with Uncertainty with a Love **Like No Other.**

Isolation buddies, exercise consultants, personal alarm clocks, home office managers – and emotional support

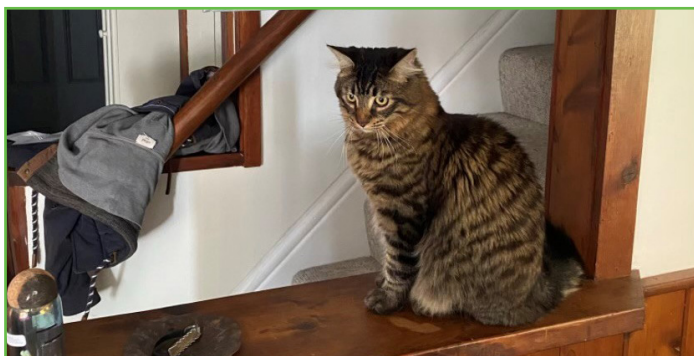
Since the beginning of the pandemic people across the country were trying everything to beat the quarantine blues. Flour and eggs flew off the shelves for baking, workout equipment was sold out everywhere, homes became greener with potted plants, and art supply orders were backed up for weeks.

Anxiety and stress levels were at an all-time high. Multiple research studies were conducted to try to help identify ways we can maintain better mental health during the pandemic. One study piqued the interest of the animal loving community; the study from the University of York that indicated that sharing a home with a pet appeared to act as a buffer against psychological stress during lockdown.

The wag of a tail, a little meow, the feeling of a wet nose nudging your arm – we know how much simple gestures of love from our pets can instantly improve our mood. But we had no idea how much we needed the unique human-animal bond during times of uncertainty.

Pets help us in ways that we might not even be aware of. For example, knowing that you have to feed, walk, or care for your pets gives many a sense of purpose and routine. Exercise is good for managing depression, and dogs in particular help their pet parents get out for daily walks. Even just having a pet opens dialogue with other pet lovers which could spark friendships and build a support network. Most importantly, their unconditional love shows us that we're not alone.

In 2021, over 1,500 animals were adopted from Toronto Humane Society and helped their new families cope with stress, anxiety, and uncertainty in their own ways – animals like Doc.



## Meet Rob and Doc

During the pandemic, Rob's job as a hockey coach went on hiatus. He was working less which meant he had a lot less income and his social life was affected too. He only left his home to pick up groceries or to go for a walk. In October 2021, he adopted a little, fluffy kitten named Doc.

"Doc has definitely helped with my mental health. COVID-19 has been hard, especially during the lockdowns, but one of the most rewarding things is when Doc decides it's time to cuddle," Rob shares. "He's a big cat and he'll randomly run across the apartment, jump up and plop into your lap, almost forcing you to pet his head by shoving it into your hand."

"As a kitten, he was pretty mischievous and loved to come up with new ways to get my attention. It was fun to try to figure out new ways to play with him, and hilarious to watch him chase his various toys around the apartment," he continued. "He loves to be near his humans. I can't imagine life without him."

Bringing a pet home won't make negative feelings simply go away, and should not replace the aid of professional help, but pets can help you cope. If you're prepared to make room in your life, the connection between you and your pet will change the both of you. There is nothing like the love you and your pet share.

The unconditional love from a pet is truly like no other.





# Don't Leave Your Animals in *Hot Cars*

#StayCool

## Every summer we see this happening.

Headlines, stories, special features and excuse after excuse - pets are left in parked cars to die of heat exhaustion. The animal's owners may have just dashed into a corner store, ran into a friend's house for a minute or two, but they are forgetting the temperature in their vehicle multiplies at an alarming rate in minutes. Their car becomes an oven!

Gray skies or blue, sun or shade, hot, humid, mild, or breezy - it doesn't matter. Even with the windows rolled down. This is a real danger and cannot continue.

The new "Summer Advocacy T-Shirt" is made right here in Canada, are the perfect summer staple to raise awareness and help keep animals out of hot cars.

Purchase this life saving t-shirt and help raise awareness about keeping animals out of hot cars.

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# Celebrating 135 Years of Humane Care

We celebrate by looking back, and by looking forward at what's to come

Teaching your dog how to sit on command, watching your cat bat around a wand toy, playing indoor tag with your rabbit, hanging out with your guinea pig while getting some work done. These are all small, precious moments that celebrate the unique bond that you have with your pet. It is this very special human-animal bond that underlines everything we do.

## Our Humble Beginnings

It all started with a \$2 anonymous donation that was sent in support of a local horse that had been worked to the point of exhaustion.

The donation sparked a conversation surrounding the inhumane treatment of the city's "work animals". Donations continued to come in from other animal lovers until \$74 dollars was raised.

This charitable act would go on to inspire the launch, on February 19, 1887, of the *Humane and Children's Aid Movement in Ontario*. The name would soon change to "Toronto Humane Society" to reflect the broader mission in *becoming a leading voice for the development of the humane spirit in all affairs of life*.

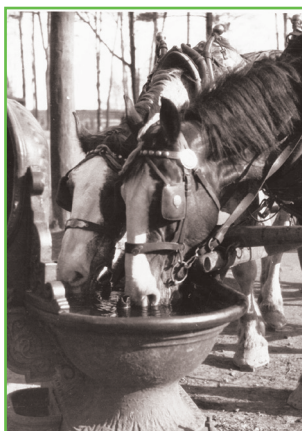
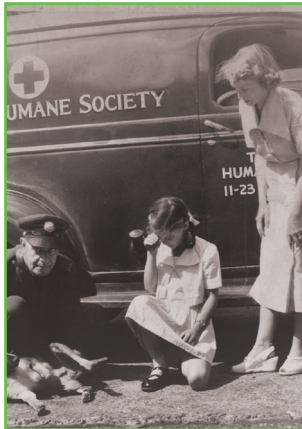
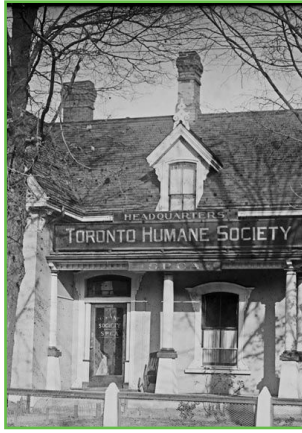
## Our Commitment Continues

From those first days in 1887 to now, we have committed ourselves to making the world a better place for animals and their caregivers. By leading our industry with best practices in all forms of care, we aim to not just react to vulnerability and suffering, but to influence and, eventually, eliminate the root causes of it.

**We do this by being more than an animal shelter.**

Toronto Humane Society provides veterinary support, shelter, care, training, and helps find homes for thousands of animals that come into our care. But we do more by providing a full range of services and programs that support pet parents and their pets - programs such as Pet Parent Support, Urgent Foster Care, and the Pet Food Bank.

These lifesaving programs and services help to reduce the number of homeless animals, keep more animals out of the shelter system, and keep pets where they belong - with their family. These are just a few of the many ways we advocate, promote, and strengthen the human-animal bond in our community.







### We Need to Do More

There's still a lot of work to be done. In 2020, over 64,000 animals were relinquished by their owners or found as strays in Canada, according to Humane Canada. And when considering the growing costs of veterinary care, which has left almost half of the population without an ongoing relationship with a veterinarian, these numbers will only increase.

Animals and their pet parents will continue looking for support and Toronto Humane Society will continue to answer their call.

In 2021, we found homes for over 1,500 pets, supported over 3,000 families through our Pet Parent Support Network, provided over 400,000 worth of subsidized and free veterinary and supplied over 42,000 pounds of pet food through our Pet Food Bank.

Ambitiously proactive and community-focused, we are committed to strengthening the human-animal bond, empowering pet owners, and improving the lives of animals everywhere.

This is what makes Toronto Humane Society like no other.

### Join us on Our Journey

We're asking animal lovers everywhere to join us in setting the tone for another 135 years of public service, education, and industry leading care.

Whether that means giving of your time as a volunteer or foster parent, or supporting us with monetary donations, we can confront tomorrow's challenges head-on and make the world a better place for pets and their families.

With you by our side, together, we can continue to strengthen the human-animal bond, keep more families together, and Improve the Lives of Animals.



# Training Helped Tito Lead a Better Life

A custom training plan was put into action

*Written by: Beverley McKee, BA, CDBC, CPDT-KA*

Aggression is one of the most common behavioural reasons why canine pet parents seek training. It is also the number one reason dogs are surrendered according to the American Society for the Prevention of Cruelty to Animals.

Tito, an 18-month-old was showing signs of fear aggression behaviour towards visitors in their home. He was also hyper-attached to one of his parents, displayed acute anxiety in new situations and had become a very reactive dog.

He was affectionate and loving to his pet parents and the other family dog, Havana, but his pet parents, Denise and Steve, were concerned that he wouldn't be able to adapt to their large extended family and busy lifestyle. This included frequent family gatherings at home and outdoors, long hikes, and days spent together exploring the city. Their attempts to include Tito in these activities resulted in out-of-control barking and lunging at people and other dogs, and Tito would become acutely anxious.

They were unable to even take Tito for neighbourhood walks without him escalating to severe reactivity at the sight of people and dogs. Tito's behaviour was also causing Havana's behaviour to deteriorate because she would join in on the barking during reactive outbursts. Denise and Steve began leaving Tito at home when outings were planned, and they stopped inviting guests to their home.

Tito's behaviour escalated and he started to nip at people when he was scared. His pet parents knew they needed a custom training plan that would go above and beyond what regular training classes could offer, so they solicited help from Toronto Humane Society's team of certified trainers.

## A Custom Training Plan Was Developed

Tito's behaviour modification plan needed to address multiple concerns, so a SMART (specific, measurable, attainable, relevant, and time-bound) goal strategy was employed to break down training sessions into manageable steps.

First, we tackled the reactivity at the door by teaching Tito that visitors meant good things happen and taught him to settle in his crate voluntarily.

Next, we taught Tito to stay focused during walks when minor distractions were around. Once some important foundations skills were in place, we then worked on independence exercises and leash reactivity. We also dedicated some training sessions to socialization experiences by taking Tito to various places and pairing those new experiences with high value food rewards.



## Their Bond Continues to Grow

When guests are present, Tito now goes to his crate voluntarily if he wants some space and will solicit pats and affection if he is feeling social. He often goes with his pet parents on shopping trips to pet friendly stores and is learning how to enjoy buddy walks with other dogs. He is also able to leave Denise's side to go for walks with other family members and can relax out of her sight when she is working from home.

Tito's training is still ongoing, but he continues to improve and has captured all our hearts with his determination and progress.



## About Beverley McKee

*Program Manager, Public Training Services and Care Support*

Beverley is a Certified Dog Behaviour Consultant through the International Association of Animal Behavior Consultants and a Certified Professional Dog Trainer – Knowledge Assessed through the Certification Council for Professional Dog Trainers. She is also a Fear Free Certified Animal Trainer Professional, a Fear Free Shelter Graduate, a Living and Learning With Animals Graduate under Dr. Susan Friedman, and serves as Secretary, Board of Directors for the International Association of Animal Behavior Consultants.






## **Public Training Services and Care Support**

Estbalishing a relationship of care and trust

Through humane, compassionate, trust-building exercises, our certified training professionals work to strengthen the bond you have with your pet. We strive to provide you and your pet with the tools needed to live your best life together.

For more information, and to book a training service or consult, visit us at  
[toronothumanesociety.com/pet-services](https://toronothumanesociety.com/pet-services)





# Transport Transparency

The risks of animal transport  
and how we mitigate them to help save more lives

Toronto Humane Society's mission is to Improve the Lives of Animals – and we go beyond the Greater Toronto Area (GTA) to do so. Through our animal Transport and Relocation Program, we have been involved in hundreds of animal transfers over the years. From remote communities in northern Ontario to southern regions in the United States, to the Caribbean, and China, we support overburdened communities to help as many animals as we can.

Although relocating animals from one place to another comes with its own risks, Toronto Humane Society is prepared and able to help. We are fortunate to be in a location where overpopulation isn't as much of a challenge. Local animals still come into our care, and they are our priority.

When we are able, we extend a helping hand to communities with an overpopulation of pets that are facing euthanasia simply because there isn't any space for them. In April 2022, we did the most transfers we have done since the beginning of the pandemic. With the support from rescue groups, other animal welfare organizations, and the animal-loving community, we transferred 102 animals who otherwise would have faced uncertain outcomes.

If done properly, transporting animals can not only benefit the animals, but also their source and destination communities. Here are three major risks and risk responses that Toronto Humane Society considers when planning animal transfers.



## Infectious Disease Risks

"Before an animal even steps onto a truck, we are already actively doing a risk assessment", says Larisa Nagelberg, Division Manager, Community Sheltering and Animal Transport. "There is a lot of conversation between us and the animal rescue group that helps facilitate the transfer. Many of them have medical information available that will help us determine if the animal is healthy and ready for their journey ahead. We always consider whether they have an infectious disease that may pose risks to their travel companions, or our community group of animals."

The remote communities we support don't always have a veterinarian or shelter available to assist with providing medical information before a transfer, so instead we rely on the rescue group to help determine the medical status of these pets – do they have runny noses, are they vomiting frequently, are they experiencing diarrhea – and we go from there. This will help us be aware of any potential risks prior to the transport. These pets aren't able to get vaccines, so we have registered veterinary technicians administering vaccines as soon as they arrive.

Our protocol does not stop there. We have implemented a cohort model that stops any other animals within the building from being at risk. "Transfer animals are housed together with no other groups until they pass a 10-day quarantine," explains Larisa. "That doesn't mean they can't be adopted or put into a foster home. It just means that within the building they're not shuffling between other cohorts, so that if they have something that is perhaps infectious, nothing is getting transferred between groups." Those caring for them, such as foster parents and adopters, are aware of the risk of disease as well.

These safety protocols were recently tested in mid-April when we welcomed 12 dogs from a remote community. One of the puppies transferred, Sequoia, was diagnosed with Parvovirus, a highly contagious disease, the day after her arrival. Thanks to the infectious disease safety protocols put in place, none of the other animals were affected.



## Behavioural and Medical Concerns

"Our number one priority when transferring animals is making sure that they will experience good welfare during the transfer and upon arrival," Larisa shares. "Similar to our concern about the animal's physical welfare, there is a lot of conversation about an animal's mental welfare as well."

Even though we gather behaviour information prior to transfer, sometimes an animal's previous behaviour doesn't translate to their stay at our facility. "For example, a dog could have lived in a rural community. Upon arrival to our downtown facility, dogs can be exposed to several novel stimuli. At this time, we may learn a dog does not react well to bikes or other aspects of an urban environment," Larisa explains. "At this point, our team of certified trainers will get involved and develop a training plan that will help the animal adjust. Our foster program is also often utilized to support these animals in a different environment."

This was the case for Ahava. He was transferred from a remote community and once he arrived, he was so scared that he did not want to come out of his crate. He showed environmental nervousness and was very afraid of strangers. It took him a while to adjust to new things, but with help from our training team and his foster parents, his confidence grew, and he found his forever home.

## Capacity for Care

"Capacity is sort of this fluid moving target. We can't say we can only have this many dogs and this many cats because there are a lot of other things to consider. Having 10 puppies that need spay and neuter surgeries is different than having 10 dogs with heartworm, for example," explains Larisa. "So, we consult with our shelter programs, including shelter care, medicine and our community sheltering team, to determine what type and number of animals we can support." We take into consideration the amount of time required to enrich each animal, staffing, space, volunteer allotment, the number of long stay and short stay pets, and more.

Our transfer animals typically don't need a lot of support, and they find their forever homes relatively quickly. "If we bring the appropriate animals into our care (and there's occasionally a few anomalies), their stay will be shorter, and they won't need too many resources. This way we're still able to support animals that are coming from local areas, like when an animal is surrendered for medical reasons, without taking away from their needs," Larisa explains. "By predicting risks and having a plan to mitigate them, our Animal Transport and Relocation program helps Toronto Humane Society save as many lives as possible."



# Providing Soft Hearted Care and Support to Pet Parents

Toronto Humane Society's new exam room reflects our commitment to quality client care and the human-animal bond

In recent years, Pauline Chuang of AWIN Group of Dealerships, has played a vital role in helping Toronto Humane Society's commitment to quality care and strengthening the human-animal bond. Before the pandemic hit, she sponsored the construction of a brand-new dental suite so that we could offer more affordable dental care through our Public Veterinary Services.

And then, amid the turmoil of the pandemic, Pauline donated another \$100,000! She had a vision to help keep animals with their families and out of the shelter system. Some of this generous donation was used to help us build a new laboratory and pharmacy to help keep our Wellness Services affordable to the public.

Additionally, her generous gift built a brand-new exam room. This exam room is particularly special and plays an important role in the human-animal bond. It's a room specially designed to support pets and pet parents at the end of a pet's life.

## A New Exam Room that Reflects our Commitment to Quality Client Care and the Human-Animal Bond

The peace of a quiet room, the soft embrace of someone who cares, and painlessly falling asleep with the help from a Registered Veterinary Technician is one of the kindest gifts we can offer to a suffering animal.

The decision to put a beloved pet to sleep is a heartbreaking and difficult one. It's never easy to say goodbye to our cherished companion, forever friend, and family member. Sadly though, the choice of euthanasia is something that all pet parents ultimately face.

Toronto Humane Society understands the sorrow that is involved with euthanasia. When the time comes to say goodbye to your pet, we offer soft hearted care to support you through this challenging time.



### Saying Goodbye to A Fighter from Birth

In 2021, we supported 277 pet parents with our owner requested euthanasia service - including Katherine, who had to let her 13-year-old cat, Lukas, peacefully pass away.

"Lukas was a fighter from birth, and I like to think that he tried his best to stay with us for as long as possible because he knew how much his girls loved him and needed him," she shares. "He was born with his back two legs twisted. As he got older, other medical issues came up. We took him to the vet whenever we could and did everything they recommended to keep him with us for as long as possible, but in the end, we were told that his options were living with tubes for the rest of his life or to let him go. He was in a lot of pain, and as much as I would love to still come home to him, I knew that letting him go was the right thing."

"The team at Toronto Humane Society were very gentle with me and my family. They showed us to a private room where we said our goodbyes. The vet came in and explained everything that would happen. We stayed with him until he passed - peacefully in a room with people who love him," she continues. "We were allowed to stay in the room even after he passed so that we could say additional goodbyes and collect ourselves. There was no rush. Everyone there was understanding of the situation."

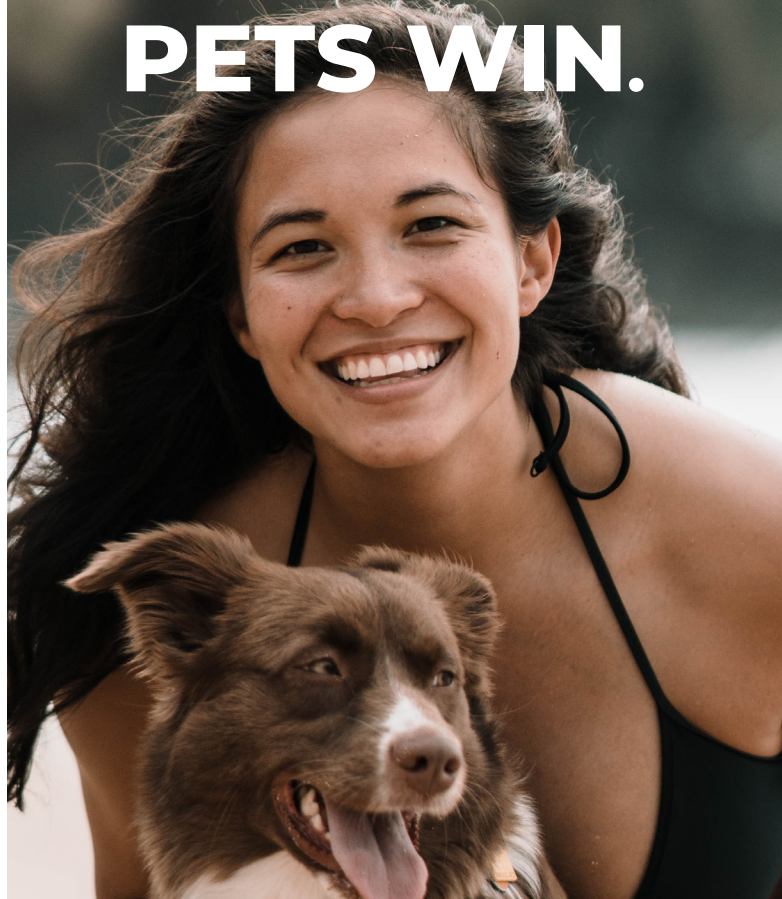


### A Heartfelt Thank You

Thanks to Pauline's generous donation, Toronto Humane Society is able to provide families with a place where they can take their time to grieve in a serene atmosphere and begin their long and difficult healing process.

Thank you, Pauline Chuang, for your continued support of the many services at Toronto Humane Society. Your generosity continues to support pet-families in need and strengthen human-animal bonds across the GTA.

# 50 50 YOU WIN. PETS WIN.



### Play Toronto Humane Society's Summer 50/50 Raffle for a chance to win big!

What's better than playing to win a jackpot and early bird prizes? Playing to win while helping animals in need, of course!

Get your 50/50 tickets before August 8th, 2022, for a chance to win the jackpot that started off at \$9,999 and is growing daily. What would you do with the grand prize? Take a vacation, spoil your fur babies, retire early? Winning will take you one step closer to making your dreams come true.

Plus, proceeds go towards helping animals fulfil their ultimate dream of finding their forever home. It's a win-win!

Tickets are 10 for \$10, 40 for \$20, and **200 for \$40!**

**Purchase your tickets at  
[torontohumanesocietylotto.com](https://torontohumanesocietylotto.com)**

Please note, tickets are currently only available online, and Toronto Humane Society staff and Board of Directors, as well as their spouses, children and children-in-law are not permitted to purchase tickets and are not eligible to win.

AGCO Lottery Licence Number RAF1235419

# GIFTS OF LOVE

We gratefully acknowledge the donors who have given gifts of \$80 or more in honour or in memory of a special person or pet. Tribute gifts are a thoughtful and meaningful way of acknowledging a loved one's memory, expressing your good wishes or commemorating an occasion.

## IN MEMORY



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Billy Leyton  
Blackjack Van Geyn  
Bliss Halpenny  
Blossom Lalkaka  
Boomer Armstrong  
Brian Striewe  
Bruce Dydo  
Bunny Verboon  
Callie  
Calum Richard Riddick  
Calypso Lord  
Charlie Cohen-Cloth  
Chester  
CHEWY AHLUWALIA  
Chico and Kobi  
Claire Brent  
Cleo Kemp  
Coco  
Colleen Stanton  
David Hemblen  
Ddori Park  
Ddori Park  
Derek Israel  
Donald Wm Glover  
Ed Nelson Mroz  
Elizabeth Mahnke  
& Manhattan  
Ember Stephure  
Floydie  
Giovanni Ianiri  
Helen Dowel  
Indy (Indiana Jones)  
Isabella Isakiewicz

Jackie Styles  
Jamie Mudrick & Sheldon Kerzner  
Jason Emile Malone Johnson  
Jamie Mudrick & Sheldon Kerzner  
Jason Johnson  
Jazzy  
Jean Gonnella  
John Renford Coulter  
Juno Taylor  
Kendra BASSILA  
Kerri Sivec  
Kitty Pearl  
Laura Babcock  
Laura Smith  
Lawrence Morganstern  
Lawrence Reiter  
Lilypad Country Pogorski  
Boland  
Lucy  
Luke Woodrow  
Winterstein  
Macintosh the Doggie  
Majnu Jaan  
Margaret Dykes-Page  
Margaret Lancaster  
Marie Morrow  
Marsha, Tiffany Rose and Terry Bear  
Mary Hallewick  
Mary Low  
Maud  
Michael Cranston  
Mimi Fournier  
Mitch Pickering  
Molly Hamilton  
Mr. Ron Tulk  
Ned  
Nelia Freitas

Noreen Reid  
Odin  
Patricia Polhill  
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Percy Kennedy  
Purdy Bimm  
Remi the sweetest girl  
Renny  
Robin Darling  
Rodney Ramkissoon  
Roger Rees  
Salvatore Trichilo  
Scott Lyons  
Scout  
Shadow Puri  
Shadow Woermke  
Shaggy Hill  
Sheila Julianne Carleton  
Silka White  
Simba & Negrito  
Smeagol Kuipers-Christie  
Steamwhistle Perry  
Steven Berman  
Sunny M  
Susan Haddad  
Terence Watt  
Terry Peterson  
Tiernan Bolton  
Trish Polhill  
Tully Godfrey  
Yoji and Gaston Zimmerman  
Zuki Chiddy  
Sophie, Kurt Sickel, Willi Uthof  
The Dawson's  
Tiggz  
Tina Perera  
Tobey Morrow-Mackenzie  
Victor Rudinskaskas  
Wallace Chan

## IN HONOUR

Alison Craig  
Amika Stelmach  
Angie McCarthy  
Annie and Steve McCutcheon and Matwijow  
Barb Godfrey  
Bernie, Gigi, Stella, Lucky & Sparkles  
Bronskill-Dilworth  
Betty White  
Buddy Naderi  
Caitlin Donald  
Colin Tozer  
Courtney Deelen & Michael Burgess  
Daniel Theriault  
David Brickman, Nancy Shackell, Val,  
Mike Marshall  
David Thielke  
Diane & Cara Dodd Jones  
Ellen Walsh  
Fran Lanthor  
George Belza  
Ginger  
Helen Dowle  
Jack Ispanovic  
Jasper and Tabby  
Jennifer Heath  
Jeremy and Irina Stein  
Josh and Kayla Scott and Maclean  
Joyce-Lynn Georgiou Joyce-Lynn Georgiou  
Laura Woods  
Leslie Christina Hammill  
Lisa Fanuzzi  
Mercedes Featherby  
Mike Zavitz  
Mitten Burns  
Morgan, Wendel, and Todd Rifle  
Pascal & Matt  
Penelope, Angus, and Egan Leedle  
Penny Ramalho  
Percy McNamara  
Peter Voore  
Robin Schaufler  
Ryan and Kaya Holt  
Sara-Beth Harrison  
Sascha Whelan  
Steinmanis Dogs  
Stella  
Stephen DeAngelis  
Steven Tshakatumba  
Sydney Richards  
Sylvester Dunn  
Tommy O'Brien Morgan



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Whether it's providing food for the animals in care, giving monetary contributions, or sharing our important message on their media platforms, we are grateful for businesses that have chosen to help pets and their families in our community by supporting Toronto Humane Society.

# New Bonds in the Making

A highlight of 2021 Happy Tails

When we adopt an animal, we change their life. But an animal's unconditional love changes our life for the better too.

We receive hundreds of adoption stories from our animal-loving community every year. Each one is a unique story that demonstrates the transformative power of the human-animal bond, even at the very beginning of a new chapter. Here are just a few 2021 Happy Tails.



## Casper

Casper is my 10-year-old bichon mix who had to have his right hind leg amputated. After being surrendered, having his leg amputated, and living in a shelter environment, I thought he would have trust issues and be very timid with us. That couldn't be farther from the truth.

Everyday I watch him, and I am in awe of everything he has gone through and everything he has overcome. Casper has brought more light and happiness into our home than I could have ever imagined. Not only did I help change his story in a positive way, but he impacted me in a such a profound way.

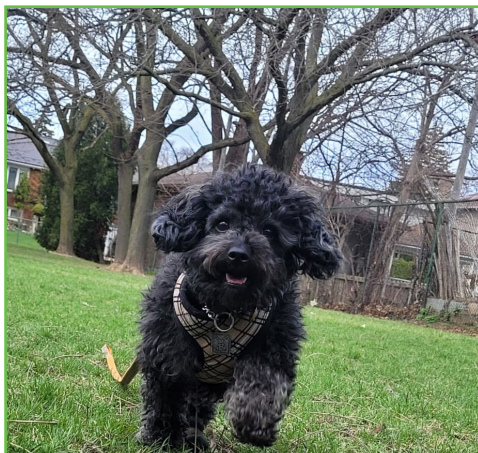
Adopting him was the best and most rewarding thing I have ever done. But let's get this straight - yes, I rescued him, but truly, he rescued me.



## Whiskas

I was told Whiskas was brought to Toronto Humane Society to be put down as her health was significantly degrading. I was assured that Toronto Humane Society's vets and staff members will do everything to help Whiskas recover – and they did. After a tooth surgery and a recovery plan, Whiskas was ready to come home.

She is very energetic for a senior cat. She loves to climb her cat tree and play with wand toys. She enjoys receiving treats, sleeping with her belly up, playing with toys, or just chilling next to the window. She is not cuddly or a lap cat, but she is adorable in her own way.



## Simba

Simba was diagnosed with Intervertebral disc disease (IVDD) and slip disc. He did not have much control over his lower body, was in diapers, and was restricted to a wheelchair.

Tons of checkups, massages, light therapy, hydrotherapy, and love from Christina Giodarmaina, a Toronto Humane Society Registered Veterinary Technician, helped Simba graduate from the wheelchair.

We constantly work with him to help strengthen his lower body and enjoy all the cuddles we get in return.

We are grateful to all the support from Toronto Humane Society's team. They played a very crucial role in helping Simba get back on his feet.



# These Puppies Were found in the Cold Fending for Themselves



Seven puppies were found alone in a barn in Winnipeg. They were only one month old and were alone. Unfortunately, one of the puppies passed away before being transported to Toronto Humane Society.

Once these small, fragile, puppies arrived in our care, they received a medical exam and were diagnosed with Sarcoptic Mange, also known as scabies. This disease is caused by tiny Sarcoptic mites that aren't visible to the naked eye. They burrow under the skin and cause itching, redness, and skin crusts at the tips of the ears, elbows, chest, and stomach.

Sarcoptic Mange is highly contagious and can spread from pet to pet or from pet to human, so these adorable puppies had to be isolated for their first few weeks with us while receiving treatment. Thanks to support from our animal-loving community, Mercury, Mars, Jupiter, Saturn, Neptune and Pluto received the medical care they needed to grow healthy and happy before finding their forever homes.

## Become a Humane Champion

Every animal is worth saving, sheltering, and rehoming. To be there for them when they need us most, we need to have the resources to provide them with everything they need.

Become a Humane Champion and help more animals receive the care they need to grow healthy and happy. Not only will you help animals that need medical care, but you'll also help animals long term by supporting services and programs, such as our animal transport program, that offer ongoing care to animals and the animal loving community.



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