

Starving and Neglected Animals Pouring into Our Facilities Thanks to You, Our Doors Remain Open to All Animals in Need

There has been an alarming influx of animals arriving at our doors. Some come in as owner surrenders, some as the result of rescues, and some as strays simply abandoned on the streets. They all have two things in common: they are frightened and starving. The concern is more and more animals are arriving at our doors as family budgets tighten. **But because of you, we are here to care for them.** Whether their owners can no longer afford their pets or because of cruelty and neglect, these helpless animals deserve second chances at happy and healthy lives.

In November, our Animal Cruelty Task Force (ACT) received tips from concerned citizens about dogs and horses in dire need; seven adult German Shepherds, two adult Bloodhounds, and 12 horses. Our team worked quickly to remove the animals.

In addition to being drastically underweight, the dogs were infested with fleas and ticks and suffering from open sores. The conditions of the horses were shocking and heartbreaking. All of them were seriously underweight and many had hooves so overgrown that walking was extremely difficult and painful.

These animals know they have been rescued. You can see in their eyes. They are grateful for safe shelter, kind veterinary care, and proper nutrition. It is sad to imagine how much these defenseless animals have suffered. But it is so heartwarming to know your support has allowed us to serve as the most respected community animal resource for more than 150 years.

Thanks to you, our doors remain open to all animals in need.

Humane Society of Missouri

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Main Number 314-647-8800

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Report Animal Abuse and Neglect 314-647-4400 or 800-383-9835

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Mission: Since 1870, the Humane Society of Missouri has been dedicated to second chances. We provide a safe and caring haven to all animals in need-large and small-that have been abused, neglected, or abandoned. Our mission is to end the cycle of abuse and pet overpopulation through our rescue and investigation efforts, spay/neuter programs, and educational classes. We are committed to creating lasting relationships between people and animals through our adoption programs and our shelter pet training program. We further support that bond by making available world-class veterinary care.

The Humane Society of Missouri is an independent, non-profit organization not affiliated with any national animal welfare organizations. We do not receive tax support or United Way funding. We rely on the generosity of individuals, corporations, foundations, and fees for services.







Dear Friends,

Resilience means being able to adapt to life's misfortunes and setbacks. We see examples of incredible resilience in the animals we rescue and rehabilitate each and every day. And often as an organization, we find ourselves faced with an opportunity to display this same resilience. This past year was one of those times. **And because of your unwavering support, we have always been able to respond to animals in need.**

With your help, we have been creative and nimble in running our shelters. Your care and concern help us keep our animals and the public safe.

When rain waters flooded our Best Buddy Center and created havoc at our Macklind shelter, you were there as we repaired and refurbished our facilities.



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And, because of you, we have opened our new 24,000 square foot Rescue Center at the Macklind location. This includes 210 incremental runs and cages for animals awaiting their second chances. This expansion also includes additional space for laundry, grooming, and food prep.

The need for resilience shows itself again as so many are feeling the pinch of inflation which also impacts our shelters, veterinary hospitals and ranch. We have continued to be a safe and caring haven for a significant number of animals. **And because of you, we are also a safety net and community resource for animals brought to our doors who were abandoned, victims of abuse, or whose home was simply no longer an option.** We ensure they get the care they need for second chances in loving homes. In addition, we are experiencing sharp increases in the costs of medicines and supplies. These increases impact everything from routine care to life-saving surgeries to spay/neuter procedures.

I am so grateful to you for always being here for the animals. The ability to care for the welfare and safety of abused, abandoned and neglected animals is a gift you give us through your support. Placing these wonderful animals into loving forever homes is a gift we give each other. Thank you.

With immense gratitude,

Kathryn W. Warnick President

Fiscal Year 2022 Furry Facts

2022 was a year of new challenges, including historic flooding that caused extensive damage to our Maryland Heights location and soaring costs for the supplies needed to care for the animals that arrived at our shelter through rescues, transfers, and surrenders. Despite our challenges, HSMO continues to be committed to the health and well-being of every animal in our care, and because of your unwavering support, we will remain a community resource for any animal in need.



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of those provided through our low and

no-cost Operation

SNIP program.

Performed **8,730** spay/neuter surgeries.





Placed **7,576** cats, dogs, critters, and ranch animals in forever homes.



The Animal Cruelty Task Force traveled

295,887 miles to conduct **8,822**

responses to reports of abuse and neglect involving **18,176** animals.



Conducted **25,630** client visits and surgeries through our AMCMA veterinary clinics.

Reached **10,735** children and adults through our humane and character education programs.





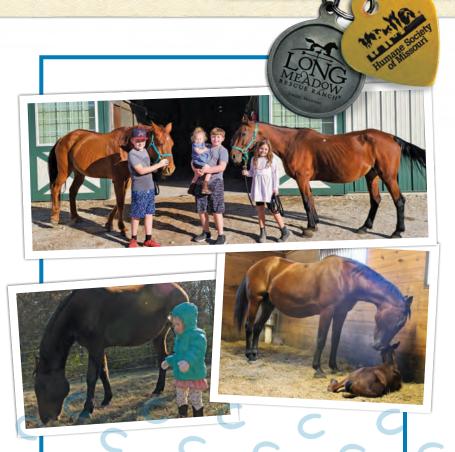
Living Life to the Max

Max was adopted from HSMO as a puppy but was returned at 18 months. He had developed severe allergies, which led to bad skin infections, and the cost of his care was too much for his family to bear. Our veterinarian team started treating him right away, but it was obvious his recovery would take a while. So Max was placed in our In-House Foster Program, which allows our long-term shelter residents to hang out with our employees for love and attention during the day. Soon Max graduated to our regular foster program ... his in-house foster mom, Katie, decided that Max would be a great fit for fostering in her home.

Max thrived in his foster home! His skin healed nicely, and our team was able to get a handle on his allergies. When it came time for Max to be adopted, Katie decided Max truly had already found his forever home and it was hers!

Because of you, he is now "living life to the max" getting lots of walks, the best treats and oh so many toys!





A New Journey Begins

Journey's story is well-known to all our friends of Longmeadow. In October of 2020, Journey was involved in a tractor-trailer wreck on I-44 in the middle of a cold and rainy night. After miraculously surviving the accident, we learned in a routine vet exam that another miracle was in the works ... Journey was expecting a foal. Ten months later, Cruiser was born, and Journey showed us what an amazing mother she could be. She was patient and kind and gently showed Cruiser the ropes. And although she had every reason not to trust humans, she let Longmeadow staff care for her colt through it all.

In October, and almost exactly two years after the accident, Journey left with another Longmeadow resident, Chuck, to the best forever home. Now she gets to share her nurturing qualities with some new kids! She is teaching her new family how to love their first horses and how to properly care for them. Journey's new path includes continuing what she does best — being a mom!

Thank you for giving Journey a new adventure in her forever home!

Lunchbox Will Live Long and Pawspurr

Lunchbox was brought to HSMO after being hit by a car. This sweet kitten sustained injuries to his eye and jaw, which resulted in serious infections. Our veterinary team decided it would be best to remove his injured eye to give him the best chance at recovery.

Despite the severity of his injuries and the lengthy recovery, Lunchbox only wanted love and affection! After spending some time in a foster home to recover, Lunchbox quickly found his purrfect new home!

Your love and support made this possible.



Cody is Cuteness Overload!

Our Animal Cruelty Task Force was called to a property in Carter County at the request of the Carter County Sherriff's Office to rescue seven chihuahua mix puppies that were in immediate danger of dying. They were rescued just in time as no owner was present.

Cody and his siblings were taken to HSMO where they were treated for flea and tick infestations as well as skin and respiratory infections. They were all placed in a loving foster home where they

could overcome their infections and continue growing. After spending a month in foster care, Cody was neutered and made available for adoption. He was immediately placed with his adoptive family!



Thank you for giving Cody and his siblings second chances at happy healthy lives!

Kristie's New Leash on Life

Kristie arrived at HSMO as a stray. Although she did not have any medical issues, it was immediately obvious shelter life was very stressful for her.

To give her the best chance, Kristie was placed in our Home Enrichment Foster Program. This program places the dog with a foster family while simultaneously making the dog available for adoption. The pet stays in a home environment where they are comfy and stress-free until the perfect family comes to adopt them. And soon enough,





Kristie's forever family found her! Now she is living her best life with a Yorkie sister, Daisy, and getting lots of love and attention from her family!

Kristie's dog days are over, thanks to you!

Thank You to Our 2022 Event Sponsors

We are so grateful for the wonderful support of our corporate partners, who are committed to fighting animal cruelty and neglect. Together we are giving second chances to animals in need!

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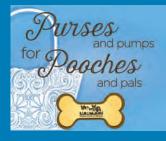
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Purses for Pooches

Save the date for the best girls' night in town! Purses for Pooches will be back on Thursday, June 22 at HSMO's Macklind Avenue Headquarters. Guests will enjoy cocktails and hors d'oeuvres, live and silent auctions with the highlight being the raffle of 25 high-end luxury purses.



Visit www.hsmo.org/purses for more information.

Give STL Day

Mark your calendar now to visit hsmo.org on Wednesday, May 10 to make a difference for homeless, abused, and neglected animals right here in St. Louis! Give STL Day is back, and we hope we can count on you to give second chances to animals in need.



Save the Date for



Join us Saturday, April 22 at Longmeadow Rescue Ranch! Enjoy wagon rides, riding demonstrations, the Barn Buddies, adoptable horses and farm animals, food trucks, and more at this fun, open house event.

For more info, visit www.longmeadowrescueranch.org.



Give Our Animal Friends a Ride!

Did you know you can donate your old car, truck, motorcycle, boat, or even an airplane to HSMO! Donating is super easy, pick-up is FREE, and most intact and complete vehicles are accepted. As a bonus, your donation could be tax deductible!

For more information, please visit hsmo.org/vehicle-donation or call 314-951-1542.

New Park, Same Bark!

Join us Saturday, May 20 in **Tower Grove Park** for the largest pet walk and festival in the Midwest! Bark in the Park activities include a 5K run, a 1-mile walk, a festival for pets, including the Purina Pro Plan Performance Team, a fun-filled kids area, agility course, pet-related vendors, Barn Buddies from Longmeadow Rescue Ranch, and much more!

For more event details and registration information, visit www.hsmo.org/bark.







Become a Humane Hero!

When you sign up as a monthly donor, you provide critical support we can rely on consistently. With a monthly donation, you can make a huge impact with recurring gifts that are automatically charged to your card on the first of each month.

For more information, please call 314.951.1598 or visit www.hsmo.org/humane-hero-monthly-giving.