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Letter from Lori



Dear Friends,

We have had a busy fall helping thousands of shelter animals and pets over the past few months!

In August, we supported Eastern Kentucky shelters impacted by the deadly flooding, transporting out hundreds of homeless animals, delivering supplies and providing needed manpower. We joined shelters across the country to help remove 4,000 Beagles from a mass-breeding facility in Virginia, finding loving homes for 30 puppies and adults. This is in addition to the lifesaving work we do every day to help animals and pets in our local community in urgent need of care and shelter – animals like Pappy Von Wrinkle, the poor senior on this issue's cover.

We also announced that after 17 years as President & CEO, I have decided to take on a new role leading KHS' growing Equine C.A.R.E. Program. I love this work, and it remains a privilege to come to work each day. It's simply that I am ready to have a bit more time to pursue my interests and focus on our Equine C.A.R.E. Program.



The KHS Board and I have unanimously chosen Alisa Gray, our current Vice President of Outreach, to be the new President & CEO starting in April. Alisa is a remarkable leader who has been responsible for a great portion of our success over the years. I am excited for her to guide KHS into the future and expand its lifesaving work. Alisa and I will work closely to prepare for the strongest possible transition, and I know we won't skip a beat. Please join me in congratulating Alisa!

I am proud that KHS is positioned for a successful transition. We are financially strong, with \$12 million in revenue. Our live release rate – the number of pets adopted or returned to owners after being lost – has increased to an impressive 96%. Our programs have helped reduce animals surrendered to local shelters. S.N.I.P. Clinic has spayed or neutered more than 175,000 animals. We've grown the Pet Helpline to support struggling pet owners, expanded the LOVE 120 Initiative to positively impact all 120 Kentucky counties, and launched the CARE-a-van mobile veterinary clinic. We also assist shelters and communities after national disasters. In short, we are a regional national leader in animal welfare and live up to our mission to be a champion for companion animals and the people who love them.

We can only do this work and help animals in need because of you. We are a private nonprofit and receive no government funding. We depend on our generous supporters who donate to KHS.

When you donate, you can be assured your thoughtfulness will make a world of difference for companion animals.

Sincerely,

Lori Kane Redmon
President & CEO



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Alisa Gray to Become KHS President & CEO

We are thrilled to announce that Alisa Gray, our current Vice President of Outreach, will become the new President & CEO of KHS starting April 1. After 17 years leading KHS as President & CEO, Lori Kane Redmon has chosen to take on a new role overseeing KHS' growing Equine program.

Alisa was unanimously chosen to take the helm by Lori and the Board. With 14 years of animal welfare experience, she is a respected mentor, talented fundraiser and role model throughout KHS and the animal welfare industry.

Alisa joined KHS in 2014 after working at Louisville Metro Animal Services and Lexington Humane Society. She has helped our fundraising skyrocket to 240%, allowing us to expand our



programs to help even more animals and pet owners in our community; has been instrumental in developing our people-centered philosophy, which guides our approach to serving people and animals; and has demonstrated a sincere passion for our community.

Please join us in congratulating Alisa. We know she will bring her passion for animal welfare and the community to her work every day to help KHS continue to save the lives of animals and build compassionate communities. 🌸



COMMUNITY

Alisa has always prioritized giving back. Her grandma, Betty, got her excited about volunteering as a teen helping with Meals on Wheels. She's thrown a prom for senior citizens, was a Big Sister in college and ran the bike and women in recovery programs for Wayside.

"I'm honored for the opportunity to lead this exceptional organization of dedicated and compassionate people to save the lives of animals." -Alisa Gray

"Alisa's deep knowledge of animal welfare and long tenure make her uniquely qualified to lead KHS successfully into the future."

*-Jena Stone,
KHS Board Member*

LEADERSHIP

Alisa is part of the Association for Animal Welfare Advancement conference committee, Leadership Louisville Class of 2021 and a Rotarian.



RESCUE

Alisa delivering supplies to Eastern Kentucky shelters and helping animals impacted by the recent flooding. She also spent a week at the Houston SPCA, assisting in Texas after Hurricane Harvey.



FAMILY

Alisa lives in Louisville with her husband, Josh, 3-year-old son, pup Winston and fish Leo. She has fostered over 50 dogs since 2008.



PAW-SITIVE

Alisa received an award from the Mayor's Office in 2014 for her positive and proactive attitude.



Since 2014, Alisa has increased KHS' philanthropy 240%.

FUNDRAISING



Pappy Von Wrinkle

Thank you for Helping KHS Save Homeless Animals Like Pappy

Pappy Von Wrinkle arrived at the KHS in terrible condition after a driver found him by the side of the road. The poor elderly Chihuahua Terrier mix was so emaciated you could see every bone in his body and he was too weak to even stand. We also discovered he was diabetic and suffered from an enlarged heart. Without immediate medical care, sweet little Pappy wouldn't make it.

Thanks to your support, KHS can take in desperate animals like Pappy and give them lifesaving medical care, a safe haven and time to heal. Because of you, Pappy was saved. We cared for him around the clock, giving him nutritious food and lifesaving medication. Every day, as this wonderful little dog grew stronger, he showed us his sweet personality and gave us kisses of gratitude for saving his life.

But there are still so many animals in Louisville and

across Kentucky who are suffering from illness, abuse or abandonment. This has been a difficult year. Economic hardship has impacted revenues and families, and the number of animals in crisis is higher than ever before.

KHS is Kentucky's largest pet adoption agency and spay/neuter provider. Thanks to compassionate people like you. KHS takes in and finds homes for more than 5,500 cats, dogs and horses each year, and provides critical resources to pet owners in need. KHS helps animals not only in Jefferson County, but from all corners of Kentucky – and sometimes even animals from other communities and states.

All of this is possible because of you. Your donation allows KHS to give needy animals lifesaving medical care, nutritious food, kindness – and loving forever homes. Your support helps us save their lives. Thank you! 🌸

Have Your Gift Matched!

Petco Love has offered to match - dollar for dollar - every gift KHS receives by December 31, 2022, up to a total of \$40,000! You can help bring joy and hope this holiday season to Kentucky's needy animals. Please join our Give Hope holiday giving campaign by returning the enclosed envelope or by giving online at kyhumane.org/donate. If you prefer to mail your gift, the address is Kentucky Humane Society, 1000 Lyndon Lane, Suite B, Louisville, KY 40222.

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Addi the Therapy Pony

Addi was born in a KHS foster home after we rescued her mom Dani from the mountains in Eastern Kentucky. There was not enough food for Dani's free-roaming herd and their foals' rate of survival was extremely low. In foster, Dani received the food and nutrition she needed and Addi was born healthy and strong. Surrounded by a caring KHS foster family as she grew, Addi learned to love and trust people. She developed a friend-of-everyone attitude and enjoyed being patted, hugged, and handled – just like a good therapy horse. We were thrilled when Green Hill Therapy, a local organization that uses equine therapy to help children with special needs, adopted Addi to train her for their program. If KHS had not rescued Dani, it's unlikely Addi would have lived. We are so grateful that we could bring Dani to safety so that Addi could grow into a healthy horse who can now help children in need. 🐾



King Thumbs Finds His Fur-ever Home

King Thumbs arrived at KHS in September after an employee found him in the street injured and in dire need of help. Poor Thumbs was limping and unable to walk on his back leg. X-rays showed that the tabby had suffered a painful injury to his back toe that was uncomfortable, but not serious. We also discovered that Thumbs was positive for the Feline Leukemia Virus (FeLV). FeLV is a contagious virus that weakens a cat's immune system and can shorten their lifespans – making it more challenging to find adopters. After a few weeks, a former

KHS adopter came by to drop off donations after her beloved kitty – also FeLV-positive – passed away. She saw King Thumbs, knew it was meant to be, and adopted him. Thanks to our wonderful supporters, we can give hard-to-place animals like Thumbs the time they need to find the perfect loving home. Thank you for helping animals like King Thumbs who deserve their second chance. 🐾





Helping Shelters After Eastern Kentucky Flooding

Our hearts go out to the people and communities in Eastern Kentucky who suffered from the deadly flooding that took so many lives this summer.

When the floods hit, we immediately sent in transport vehicles, delivered food and supplies, and provided financial aid and manpower to impacted shelters. Over the course of several weeks and multiple trips to the region, we transported more than 270 cats, dogs, kittens and puppies to KHS from shelters including Kentucky River Regional Animal Shelter in Hazard County, Floyd County Animal Shelter in Prestonsburg and Dumas Rescue in Garrett. All the animals were up for adoption prior to the flooding, surrendered by their owners, or past their 30-day disaster stray hold. Removing them helped make room in the shelters for pets displaced by the flooding, so they could be reunited with their families.

As the animals arrived at KHS, we medically assessed and gave food and loving care to each one. We housed them across our facilities, including our Sam Swope Pet Retreat in Jeffersontown, which we use as an emergency staging center for animals from large-scale rescues. We also coordinated with shelter partners and the American Society for the Prevention of Cruelty to Animals to transport animals to shelters that had room for them, including the Lexington Humane Society and shelters in Massachusetts, Ohio, Connecticut and Colorado. The rest of the animals remained at KHS until they were ready for foster or adoption.

We are so grateful to supporters like you for making it possible for KHS to support Eastern Kentucky shelters and animals during this heartbreaking disaster. Thank you. 🌸

KHS Part of National Beagle Rescue

KHS took in 30 of approximately 4,000 beagles who were removed from a mass-breeding facility in Cumberland, Virginia that was riddled with animal welfare violations.

Heartbreakingly, these sweet dogs were bred to sell to laboratories for animal experimentation. Compassionate shelters and rescues across the country, including KHS, stepped in to help remove the Beagles and save their innocent lives.

All of the Beagles KHS took in have been adopted into loving homes. We are endlessly grateful that we could give these Beagles a second chance for a happy and healthy life in a loving fur-ever home.

Your support makes this lifesaving work possible, helping us provide the medical care, nutritious food and human kindness these Beagles and animals like them deserve. 🌸



Shop for a Cause This Holiday Season

Want to help dogs, cats and horses in need this holiday season? Join our Give Hope holiday campaign with your donation. You can also make your holiday gifts even more meaningful by choosing purchases that help save a dog, cat or horse in need.



Shop Our Pawtique

Our online Pawtique has adorable KHS and animal-themed gifts for your pet-loving friends and family members. Visit kyhumane.org/pawtique!

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Dedication Paver

Honor or memorialize a two- or four-legged friend with an engraved brick at KHS' Sam Swope Pet Treatment & Lifesaving Center. 4x8" pavers at \$150, and 8x8" pavers are \$300. Visit kyhumane.org/ways-to-give/dedication-paver/paver to place your order.

Pawlday Auction and Raffle

Our Pawlday Auction and Raffle has something for everyone on your list – rare Bourbons, a Holiday horse experience at KHS' Willow Hope Farm, great gift cards and more. And for just \$10 a chance, enter to win a \$1000 Holiday Spending Spree – all while helping the animals. The auction and sale of raffle chances opens at noon on Sunday, November 27 and closes at noon on Thursday, December 8, EST. More information will be on our website, kyhumane.org, in late November.

KHS Calendars

KHS' 2023 Pet Calendar will be available for purchase in November! This year's cover stars are Buddy and LuLu. You can order your calendar at kyhumane.org/calendar-order. And if you are one of the over 600 people who submitted a photo for the calendar, your free copy will be in the mail! Our calendar makes a great stocking stuffer and features over 1,000 photos of pets from around the country. Order yours today! 🐾



Tuxes & Tails Wins for Pets

Our 28th annual Tuxes & Tails Gala - A Night at the Paws-cars was as glamorous as it was successful. Thanks to the attendees and supporters across the country, we raised over \$400,000 to help dogs, cats and horses in need! 🐾

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Pars for Pets Swings FORE the Animals

We had a gorgeous day for our annual Pars for Pets at Big Spring Country Club. This golf scramble raised more than \$35K to support KHS' lifesaving work. We want to say a big thank you to our wonderful sponsors! 🐾

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Happy Tails – Congrats to ALL Adoptees! 🐾



Dude won over this couple with his cuddly charm and will be one spoiled pup! Congratulations, Dude!



This kind adopter saw Toby on our social media and knew that it was meant to be! We are so happy for you Toby!



Pooh Bear has been adopted and we are thrilled for him! We wish you a lifetime of love and happiness, Pooh Bear!



Delores was adopted by a wonderful woman who fell in love with her after seeing her listing. We are thrilled for you Delores, congrats!



Franklin has gone home and from the look on both their faces, we'd say it's a perfect match! Congratulations, Franklin!



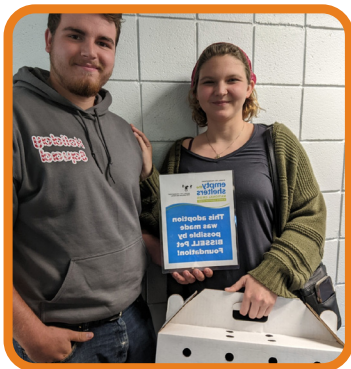
Our amazing volunteer and foster parent, Maria, decided that her foster Chihuahua Casper wasn't going anywhere! Congrats to Casper on finding the best mom ever!



Bonded pair Caliente and Ekko were not interested in cooperating for their adoption photo but now they get to spend the rest of their lives together in a wonderful home. Congrats!



Our handsome Joyner has found his furever family and we wish them all the best! Congrats, Joyner!



Our kitty Superman was a little camera shy, but his new mom and dad were still thrilled to take him home! Congratulations, Superman!

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502-509-4738

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502-515-3145

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502-253-2883

A big thanks to the Bissell Pet Foundation for allowing us to reduce and waive adoption fees for our adult dogs and cats as part of their October "Empty the Shelters" adoption event!