

### Letter from Lori



Dear Friends,

The year 2023 promises to be exciting for the Kentucky Humane Society. We are well-positioned to build on our many successes of 2022, Alisa Gray will take the helm as CEO in April, and our new CARE-a-van mobile veterinary clinic will continue to expand its reach to help more animals across Kentucky.

We know the coming year will also bring challenges. It is a difficult time for homeless animals and shelters. Organizations across the country are seeing an unprecedented number of pets surrendered during the difficult economy – and this is true in Kentucky as well. With your support, we will continue to be here for the animals and pet owners in our community. Our Pet Resource Services, S.N.I.P. Clinic and CARE-a-van will continue to offer the support families need to keep their pets at home and out of shelters, and we will continue to care for and find loving homes for the thousands of animals who come through our doors.



I have been honored to serve as President & CEO for the past 17 years and am extremely proud of what we have accomplished. I look forward to leading our Equine team and am excited for Alisa to officially assume the role of President & CEO on April 1. She is a respected leader, talented fundraiser and role model throughout KHS, living and leading with our core values every day. All of us at KHS are excited for her to lead KHS into the future.

Thank you for making our lifesaving work possible. We are grateful for your generous and compassionate support to save the lives of animals.

Lori Redmon President & CEO

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Thank you again for your support of the animals, and we hope you renew your 2023 Annual Membership.

# Suitcase and Her Kittens' Lifesaving Detour

A KHS staff member recently discovered a suitcase outside our admissions door. When she started to unzip it, she was shocked to see little whiskers poke out of the side. Inside was a momma cat and her three tiny kittens. They were weak and hungry, and one kitten had an open wound on her hip. We named the momma Suitcase, and the kittens Carry-on, Luggage and Baggage. We gave them nutritious food and warm shelter to gain weight and recover. Heartbreakingly, we were too late for little Carry-on and she did not make it. Under our care, Suitcase, Luggage and Baggage grew strong and the wound on Baggage's hip began to heal. The cat and her two kittens recovered and made the most important journey of all – to their loving forever homes.





#### Kirby Hobbles into our Hearts

This 3-month-old puppy came to us in need of urgent medical care after a Good Samaritan found him badly injured by the side of the road. The poor Shih Tzu's tiny front left leg was so badly broken, it had to be amputated. This sweet boy quickly stole all of our hearts at KHS! His playful and happy personality brought smiles to everyone at the shelter and he loved being held by the staff and volunteers. He is now recuperating and learning to be a three-legged pup in a KHS foster home and will soon be safely at home with his forever family.

### **Fragile Lark Grows Strong**

We rescued Meadow, pregnant, from the Eastern Kentucky Mountains where there wasn't enough food for her free-roaming herd and foals rarely survived. When she gave birth to Lark at KHS, the tiny foal was weak and frail, and wouldn't survive without help. She also had Entropion, a painful condition where her eyelids turn inward. We treated her eyes and gave her nutritional supplements and she grew strong and healthy. In December, Lark was adopted by a wonderful family where she will receive the love of a little girl. Thanks to your support, Lark has a bright and healthy future ahead of her.







#### Become a 2023 Member!

Your 2023 membership to the Kentucky Humane Society means so much to the cats, dogs and horses who are served by your generosity. When you renew your membership, you help heal their wounds and warm their hearts. Renew your membership at **kyhumane.org/donate** or mail your gift using the enclosed envelope.

Your membership helps animals like Travolta.









### Thank you Park Community!

An enormous thank you to our good friends at Park Community Credit Union for sponsoring free vaccines and flea/tick preventatives at our KHS CARE-a-van mobile veterinary clinic on December 15. We are so grateful for their generosity and for bringing affordable pet care to their Dixie Highway Branch community. Thank you!

#### Volunteer of the Year: Annabelle



Annabelle is an integral part of Willow Hope Farm. Every Saturday, she takes care of our horses, cleans the stalls, rakes the barn aisle and scrubs water tanks – always with a smile. Thanks to Annabelle, some of our staff can have Saturdays off! She has helped us rescue horses from the Kentucky mountains, readies our home herd for events, and keeps a sharp eye on the well-being of every horse in our barn. Annabelle is a joy, always goes above and beyond, and we are immeasurably lucky to have her as part of our team. Thank you Annabelle! Learn more about Annabelle on our blog at kyhumane.org/blog.





### Mulligan's TurfMutt Park

Our shelter dogs have been having a ball in our beautiful new play yard, Mulligan's TurfMutt Park. We are so grateful to our friends at the TurfMutt Foundation and Equip Exposition for donating the funding for this play yard, and to Gyms For Dogs - Natural Dog Park Products for donating agility equipment. Their generosity makes such a difference in our shelter pets' lives. Tails are wagging at KHS!













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### Pawtique News

Want to show off your support for KHS?

Check out our Pawtique's new designs for pet-lovers of all ages. There are new t-shirts, hoodies, totes, fanny packs, stickers and even sweatpants to keep you warm while walking your pets this winter! Your purchases support our shelter animals. Find your KHS gear at kyhumane.org/pawtique.



## 🗱 Happy Tails - Congrats to All Adoptees! 🦛





Periwinkle went home with new pawrents who have always adopted animals with special needs. Congratulations, Periwinkle!



Axel, who is now heartworm negative, has been adopted by his foster mom! Congrats, Axel!



Sweet weanling Junebug was adopted! Happy Holidays to Junebug and her new adopters!



After months at the shelter, our senior pup Bella was adopted! Bella was a huge staff favorite and we wish her nothing but the best!



Our gentle giant Thackery has been adopted! Congrats, Thackery, we know you will be spoiled rotten in your new home!



These two ladies adopted Winslow (now Brodie) to join their KHS alum, Hiker! Congratulations, Brodie!



Happy adoption day Rose! Her new mom came all the way from Virgina to meet her! Congratulations, Rose!



Our little pup Starlie has gone home! This sweetie will be surely be loved by her new family. Congrats, Starlie!



Our handsome kitty Eren has been adopted! We are so happy for you Eren, congratulations!

#### SAVE THE DATE: Learn more or become a sponsor at kyhumane.org/events!

#### **Waggin' Tail** Sunday, June 4

Join us at Waterfront Park's Festival Plaza for vendors. music, food and craft beer at this pet-friendly event.

#### **Tuxes & Tails Gala** Saturday, August 12

Don't miss our annual gala, featuring inspiring animal stories, auctions, dancing and more.

#### **Pars for Pets** Monday, October 9

Our 4-person shamble at Big Spring Country Club includes lunch, beverages on the course, a cocktail reception and more.