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Letter from Alisa

Reflecting on the incredible strides we made in 2023, it's clear that our KHS community played a pivotal role in our success, and I am confident that together, we will achieve even greater milestones this year. I want to extend my heartfelt appreciation to each and every one of you, including:

- All of the foster families and adopters who collectively touched the lives of nearly 6,000 cats, dogs and horses.
- The thousands of donors like Daniella Pierson, the Parnells and the Colliers, who not only give back but also create a ripple effect and influence that positively impacts countless more lives.
- Invaluable community partners like Dairy Kastle, Kroger, Louisville City FC and Racing Louisville FC, who donate a portion of their proceeds to KHS because they believe in the mission of our organization.
- Philanthropic businesses like Isaacs & Isaacs Personal Injury Lawyers and Equip Expo/OPEI, who sponsor incredibly successful adoption events to help us find homes for our animals and provide us the opportunity to impact other rescue partners.
- Selfless volunteers who show up with smiles on their faces every day and thoughtfully care for the animals at KHS.
- Generous grantors like The Gauntt Foundation, who allow us to provide resources to families who desperately need a little extra support to keep their animals happy and healthy in their loving homes.
- Our passionate and dedicated staff and Board of Directors whose unwavering commitment has been the driving force behind our achievements.
- And the many other unsung heroes who loyally support our work.



Thanks for ALL you do for the animals in our community. You make our lifesaving work possible.

Alisa Gray
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President & CEO

P.S. Thank you again for your support of the animals, and we hope you renew your 2024 Annual Membership. We plan for a record year in many ways, and we'd love to keep you informed!

A Purrfect Match: Fritter & Quill

In early November, a three-month-old puppy named Quill arrived at the Kentucky Humane Society after an altercation with another dog. His mouth could not properly close, and it was clear he was in immense pain. X-rays showed his lower jaw suffered a bilateral break. Our vet team performed surgery to remove the dead bone from his jaw so he could close his mouth and eat independently.

A few days after Quill's arrival, another young animal came into our care. Fritter, a tiny two-month-old kitten, had a shocking eye injury and was in need of quick medical attention. His right eye was protruding from the socket and needed to be removed to avoid further complications or infection.

Quill and Fritter were simultaneously recovering under our veterinary team's care, and that's where they met. Fritter snuggled up to Quill as if they'd known each other in a past life. It was clear that these two were happiest together. Their friendship melted our hearts, and we couldn't bear to separate them while they continued their healing. So we sent the two to a foster home together to recover in tandem. Their foster family fell in love and decided to adopt them both! We are so happy that these two survivors will live out their days as best friends. Happy tails, Fritter and Quill! 🐾



Sia's Second Chance

Sia, an 18-year-old Buckskin Paint mare, was rescued by KHS' Equine C.A.R.E. team from Lewis County, KY alongside her five herdmates in September. The poor senior horses had suffered years of neglect resulting in injury, infection and excruciating pain. Time was of the essence, so we rushed the horses to our Willow Hope Farm for treatment.

Sia's right eye was diseased and shriveled from an unknown injury, and we knew something needed to be done. An equine veterinarian confirmed that the eye needed to be removed in order to restore her quality of life. Thankfully, after surgery and rounds of antibiotics, Sia made a full recovery and has the quality of life she deserves.

Thanks to supporters like you, Sia no longer lives with pain. Please consider donating in honor of Sia and help KHS rescue and rehabilitate more horses in need of our Tender Loving Care. 🐾

Become a 2024 Member!

Your 2024 membership to the Kentucky Humane Society means so much to the cats, dogs and horses served by your generosity. When you renew your membership, you help heal their wounds and warm their hearts. Members also receive perks that keep you informed about the many programs you're supporting and the knowledge that your gift is hard at work providing medicine, care and daily essentials that animals need to live. Renew your membership at kyhumane.org/donate or mail your gift using the enclosed form. 🐾





Thank You Westport Village!

KHS is extremely grateful for Westport Village's dedication and kindness advancing our mission of helping animals in need over the past two years. Through various events, Westport Village delighted both animals and their owners at *Puppy Palooza* (April), the stylish *Fall Fashion Show* (September), and the heartwarming *All is Bright Holiday Event* (December). These events not only offered enjoyable experiences to attendees, but also generated \$8,500 to support our life-saving programs at the Kentucky Humane Society! 🌸

Volunteer of the Year: Bobby Elder

The 2023 Volunteer of the Year is Bobby Elder! Bobby participates in our Date with a Dog program, where he takes our sweet pups on engaging and exciting dates like hiking and swimming. He beautifully documents their excursions on Facebook to help get the dogs adopted. His photos capture their uniqueness and highlight their many tricks and quirks perfectly. Many of his posts have even helped find the featured pup their forever home! Bobby's compassion and kindness are what make him so special, and we are beyond grateful to have him as an integral part of our KHS family and volunteer team. 🌸



Tito's Ongoing Impact

We are incredibly fortunate to have Tito's Handmade Vodka as one of our community partners. In coordination with amazing local businesses like Hauck's Corner, Royal Jewelers, Waterfront Park and many others, Tito's is helping KHS raise money for our shelter animals. In 2023, Tito's even crafted a unique and refreshing cocktail called "PAWS OUT" Sparkling Lemonade, sold exclusively at the Bourbon & Beyond music festival, which resulted in a staggering \$10,000 contribution to KHS! Their charitable efforts are truly inspiring and make a significant difference in the lives of the animals in our care. 🌸

Salsarita's Pet Tales Lunch & Learns

Our Pet Tales Lunch & Learns are sponsored by our friends at Salsarita's Fresh Mexican Grill. Each month, KHS offers a delicious lunch provided by Salsarita's, followed by an uplifting presentation by Alisa Gray, our President & CEO. Attendees then get to meet our incredible cats, dogs, kittens and puppies - and the remarkable team members who make our lifesaving work possible! Learn more and sign up at tinyurl.com/PetTalesLunchAndLearn. 🌸



Happy Tails – Congrats to ALL Adoptees!



Orphan Andy went to his new home, and we are so delighted to see this sweet boy begin his happily ever after!



Domino's loving new dad read his story and knew he'd be the purrfect companion. Yay, Domino!



Our sweet Toby is set for a lifetime of love and snuggles with his new family. Congratulations, Toby!



Siblings Astroid and Comet are going to separate homes, but they both felt like they hit the jackpot and got a picture together!



Our snuggly boy Roscoe found his forever home thanks to the BISSELL Pet Foundation. Congrats, Roscoe!



Spritz has an amazing human sibling who plans to spoil her rotten in her new home. Happy Tails, Spritz!

SAVE THE DATE



Waggin' Tail on the Waterfront Sunday, June 2, 2024

Waggin' Tail on the Waterfront is a dog-friendly festival that brings neighbors, families and their beloved dogs together for a day of pure canine delight.



Tuxes & Tails Gala Louisville Marriott Downtown Saturday, August 10, 2024

Tuxes & Tails Gala is our signature fundraising gala and auction. The event features appetizers, an open bar, silent and live auctions, dinner, music, fun games and of course, adorable adoptable animals.



Hammer's Lou Adopts! Kentucky Exposition Center Saturday, May 11, 2024

Join us for the second annual mega adoption event to find loving homes for adoptable dogs and puppies.



Pars for Pets University of Louisville Golf Club Monday, October 14, 2024

Pars for Pets is our annual charity golf scramble. Foursomes enjoy a day of golf, games and giving.