

Paw Prints



We speak for those who cannot speak for themselves!

December 2024



Foster Family of the Month

Allison Chamberlin and her family have been fostering for the SCHS for seven years! She started fostering because her adopted senior golden retriever passed away within two days. So instead of adopting again so quickly, she thought she would try fostering instead. Allison has helped over 67 animals for us! While fostering, Allison learned that a female dog could have a litter of pups with multiple dads!



"I absolutely love it. We only foster puppies and who doesn't like puppies! There are so many neglected and homeless animals that need us. Try it, you will love it, it is so worthwhile and rewarding!"



Happy Tails!
I found Beans on Petfinder on a Saturday and fell in love with how adorable he was. I immediately started an inquiry on Beans, filled out the application and thankfully Monday morning Steele County Humane Society reached out to me to set up a time to meet Beans! He stole our hearts we love him so much and he's settling in his forever home really well. He is out playing mostly all day, loves looking out the windows and when he's ready to take a break he will snuggle up on my chest under my neck and on my shoulder. Thank you for giving us such a beautiful cat full of personality!



News & Information

Volunteer

We are always in need of volunteers. Whether you can assist at a fundraising event, become a foster "parent", become a board member or work with us at getting supplies donated, we welcome your time and effort. Our hearts are with the animals and serving our 4-legged community is where our hearts are.

Become a Board member

Our board is a fun group with a serious task, taking care of homeless pets. We welcome your interest and encourage you to join us! If joining the board is not something you can do, we encourage you to become a member of the Steele County Humane Society.

Become a Foster "parent"

The Steele County Humane Society is currently looking for dog and cat fosters! Fosters are crucial in keeping the humane society running. It is kitten season and we are desperately looking for cat/kitten fosters. If you are interested in fostering, you can call the office at 507-451-4512 to get more information or fill out our foster form online.

Become a Member!

To become a sustaining member of the Steele County Humane Society, email steelecountyhumanesociety@gmail.com with the below information:

<u>Purr-fectly Pampered</u>	\$25
	Covers laundry for 1 month
<u>Belly Bowl</u>	\$50
	Feeds 1 dog or 1 cat for a month
<u>Pawsome Care</u>	\$100
	Vaccinate 1 animal
<u>Whiskers to Tails</u>	\$200
	Spay/neuter 1 animal
<u>Raise the Ruff</u>	\$500
	Utilities for 1 month
<u>Pawsitively Perfect</u>	\$750
	Veterinary care for 1 week
<u>Quazzie Klub</u>	\$1000
	Covers 1 emergency surgery

1 Month 3 months 6 months Yearly

Starting: _____ Ending: _____

New Shelter Naming & Sponsoring Opportunities

We are honored to recognize individuals and Corporations who make significant contributions to our Shelter Building Capital Campaign. Please contact the Office for more information.

507-451-4512

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THANK YOU



MYTH:

Spay/neuter operations are expensive.

FACT: The cost of your pet's spay/neuter surgery is far less than the cost of having and caring for a litter! Plus, the ASPCA and many other organizations offer free or low-cost spay/neuter services for pet owners.

<https://www.asPCA.org/pet-care/general-pet-care/low-cost-spayneuter-programs>

MNSNAP is a S/N resource: mnsnap.org
612-720-8236

How to Help Our Furry Family Members

Our Pet of the Month!

I'm Dahlia!

Hey there! I'm Dahlia - a little bit shy but after a slower introduction I'm very affectionate and loving. I'm also cuddly and will purr to let you know just how much I love you (and the pets). I don't have much experience with children or dogs. I would be happy with another friendly cat – but if you adopt me please also consider adopting my friend, Poppy – she's a character! I'm also just an inside cat. My adoption fee is \$200.



How to care for outdoor cats in winter

Shelter, food, and water are especially important to feral and stray cats in cold weather.

Strays may be pets whose owners let them outside, or they could be community cats, a group that includes ferals (who are afraid of people) and strays (who've been lost or abandoned). No matter how resourceful these outdoor cats are, they need help surviving winter. If you have got time to help, the kitties will thank you!

Give outdoor cats shelter from the cold.

A shelter must trap the cats' body heat to warm its interior. If the shelter is too large, it will be difficult for the cats' body heat to keep the space warm. Straw allows cats to burrow. Pillowcases loosely stuffed with packing peanuts and shredded newspaper also work.

Keep things clean: Replace straw and newspaper if moist or dirty, and wash and re-stuff pillowcases as needed. Don't use blankets, towels, or folded newspaper; they absorb body heat and chill cats who are lying on them. Forego hay too, which may irritate noses and cause allergic reactions.

Source: <https://www.humanesociety.org/resources/how-care-outdoor-cats-winter>

Find Your Next Furry Family Member Here steelecountyhumanesociety.net/current-pets

If you find a stray cat or dog, please first contact Owatonna Animal Control (if you live in Owa) at 507-451-8232. Email us information/photos and we can post this to Facebook to try to help find the owner.



Steele County Humane Society Board Members

Liane Peterson – President | Liz Bratsch – Vice President | Diane Nagel – Secretary | Allison Chamberlin
Anne (Annie) Campbell | Deb Singelstad | Lynda Virgin | Nicole Wacek

Support the Humane Society

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Short Sleeve: Small-3X \$20
 4X-5X \$25
 Long Sleeve: Small-3X \$25
 4X-5X \$30
 (size/style availability varies)
 Grab Bags for Cats & Dogs
 \$3 ea or 2 for \$5

Merry Market
 Dec. 7th
 10am - 2pm
 Eagle's Club
 (141 E Rose St, Owatonna)

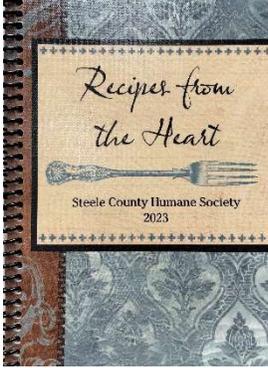
Event



Venmo your donation today
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- ## Last Months' Donors
- Danielle Hendricks
 - Kristina Smith
 - Christine Tomek
 - Young Professionals
 - Maria Tomez
 - Tom & Laurie Van Anne
 - (Mary & Eugene Lohman)
 - Ralph & Karen Nelson
 - Brent & Judy Phillipson
 - Lynn Borchert
 - Cheyenne Baker
 - Jolynn & David Chadwick
 - Sandra Stahl
 - Gregory Posch & Diane Nagel
 - Marlin Lee Stoltz
 - Charlotte Harris
 - Red Wellness LLC/ Tracy Zim
 - Cheryl Peterson
 - Sieg Mills

Recipes from the Heart Family Favorites \$10 each




- Adopt
- Volunteer
- Foster
- Donate

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