

PAW PRINTS



We speak for those who cannot speak for themselves!

November 2024



Foster Family of the Month

Our first foster was a MinPin named Pepper in March, 2021. We started fostering because we wanted to help animals and always had a dog of our own. We have helped Pepper, Maggie, Trixie, Clara, Bertie, Ernestine, Josie, Ivy, and we adopted Stella! She is great with other dogs and helps the fosters feel safe. Wade is semi-retired and Kim is retiring in March of 2025 and we enjoy helping dogs transition to their forever homes. We had a foster dog that gave birth to two surprise puppies in the middle of the night the 2nd week we had her, so that was a fun experience for us. Our last foster was with us for only 5 hours! The owners found us the day we picked her up and they had a happy reunion at our house. Every dog we have fostered has been a great and unique experience! The dogs really need the love and security that all the fosters give during that sometimes-traumatic time in their life.



Happy Tails!

We adopted Ruby from the Steele County Humane Society four years ago. She was shy and a little withdrawn for a few months and now she follows us around and love to cuddle and go on two-mile walks. Ruby is one of our kids and we couldn't imagine life without her. Ruby's Family



News & Information

We speak for those who cannot speak for themselves.

- Providing quality foster care for homeless cats and dogs in the Steele County area.
- Providing veterinary care to the animals in foster care, within the policies and procedures and resources of the organization.
- Encouraging the adoption of homeless cats and dogs.
- Encouraging spaying and neutering to reduce pet overpopulation.
- Assisting in the enforcement of laws for the prevention of cruelty to animals and aid district and county societies and agencies in enforcement of such laws.
- Providing education to the public on humane and ethical treatment of animals.
- Bringing together and supporting others in developing the humane treatment and care of animals.

Become a Member!

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

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

steelecountyhumanesociety@gmail.com



**THANK YOU to
Thompson Sanitation Inc.
for donating their services
for the Shelter Building!
Office 507-256-4370**



MYTH: Neutering will cause behavioral changes.

FACT: Unneutered cats/dogs are more likely to mark their territory by spraying strong-smelling urine all over the house. Unneutered dogs also tend to mount other dogs, people, and inanimate objects. These above behaviors may change when your pet is sterilized—which is a good thing! Neutering can help avoid some aggression problems or undesirable behaviors caused by a higher level of testosterone. That said, it is important to note that there are no guarantees. Neutering does not eliminate the testosterone hormone completely, nor will it negate any behaviors that your pet has learned or that have become habitual. The effects of neutering are largely dependent on your dog's individual personality, physiology, and history.

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 Biscuit!

I am a delightful year and a half year old who loves to play with anything and begs for belly rubs! I meet everyone at the door and am not afraid of new people. I get along with dogs and other cats, and would love to have a playmate at my new home. Although I love pets and rubs, I do not like to be held or restrained. I follow my people all around the house and like to be close, just not held. I sleep on the pillow of my foster mom every night. And I have the best purr ever!!



Foods Not to Feed Your Pets

- ✓ Alcohol
- ✓ Bones: Bones easily splinter
- ✓ Candy: Particularly chocolate and any candy containing the animal-toxic sweetener Xylitol.
- ✓ Chives
- ✓ Citrus and pits: Pits and seeds contain essential oils that could cause irritations, blockages, and even central nervous system depression
- ✓ Coffee: Grounds, beans, and chocolate-covered espresso beans.
- ✓ Eggs (raw or undercooked)
- ✓ Fish (raw or undercooked)
- ✓ Garlic
- ✓ Grapes and raisins: These can cause serious kidney problems.
- ✓ Leaves and stems: From vegetables such as tomatoes
- ✓ Meat (raw or undercooked)
- ✓ Milk: Many cats and dogs have difficulty digesting lactose.
- ✓ Nuts
- ✓ Onions, as well as onion flakes and powder.
- ✓ Salt

Source: humanesociety.org

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
 @SCHSRescue

- ## Last Months' Donors
- Kristina Smith
 - Blackbaud Giving Fund
 - Christine Tomek
 - Young Professionals
 - Maria Tomez
 - Kristina Smith
 - Tom & Laurie Van Anne (Mary & Eugene Lohman)
 - Ralph & Karen Nelson
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 - Cheyenne Baker
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 - Gregory Posch & Diane Nagel
 - Marlin Lee Stoltz
 - Charlotte Harris
 - Red Wellness LLC/ Tracy Zim
 - Cheryl Peterson
 - Sieg Mills, "Strawlady Mills" on Facebook
 - Danielle Hendricks

Recipes from the Heart Family Favorites \$10 each




- Adopt
- Volunteer
- Foster
- Donate

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