





Help us build happily ever afters at the new Nancy Shuman Animal Shelter.

### **Building Details**

- 19,000 Square Feet
- Capacity for 50 Dogs
- Capacity for 145 Cats
- Area for Pocket pets
- Located on 75 Acres



### THE NANCY SHUMAN ANIMAL SHELTER FLOOR PLAN



Become part of the happily ever afters and make your pledge at pethavenlane.org



### THE KENNEBEC VALLEY HUMANE SOCIETY'S CAPITAL CAMPAIGN

### **CASE STATEMENT:**

It is vital to shelter and community animals that KVHS increases capacity to provide cutting edge care and an enriching environment for homeless animals and a space for community members to learn about humane treatment of animals and access affordable care for pets. The vision for KVHS's future is to serve the needs of shelter animals, community pets, and humans in the community who love and care for animals.

In the current space, KVHS is restricted in care and activities for the community. KVHS has outdated kennels that do not provide a low stress environment or enrichment for animals, extremely limited space for adopters to visit with shelter pets, very little outdoor space for exercise and playtime for both dogs and volunteers, and limited space to provide capacity for animals in dire need to be transported out of high euthanasia areas in southern states.

In terms of the humans who love animals, KVHS has no current ability to provide public services due to both limited space and deed restrictions. In a new space, KVHS could provide public vaccination clinics, public spay neuter services, and space for outreach programs for school groups, civic groups, and other community members.

A new facility would create a pathway to the future that allows KVHS to provide the best care, opportunity, and promise to animals and the humans who love them. It's all about the happily ever afters!

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# THE KENNEBEC VALLEY HUMANE SOCIETY'S CAPITAL CAMPAIGN CASE STUDIES

arma and Kismet are 3 year old bulldog mix siblings from Georgia. They were discovered and seized by our rescue partner, Road Trip Home and were extremely malnourished. These girls suffered significant neglect and were described as having "been through hell together." Often, these dire situations can deeply impact a dogs ability to love and trust, but this was simply not the case for Karma and Kismet. They accepted love from everyone on their journey to their happily ever after, and oozed sweetness and gentle snuggles on our team and volunteers immediately.

Determined to give them the best possible life, our team at KVHS chose to seek a family that would keep these bonded girls together. Luckily, we have a big-hearted community and a lovely woman came in to adopt Karma and Kismet just before Christmas. She keeps us posted with photos and updates, and shares that now the two girls spend their days snoozing on couches, playing with toys, and loving on their mom. This happy ending is what our work is, fundamentally, all about.









anda was picked up by an Animal Control Officer after being hit by a car. She was rushed to a veterinarian. After x-rays and evaluations, the clinic determined that she had a mandibular fracture and they had to wire her jaw shut to help with the healing process. During the accident, she had also fractured several teeth which made wiring the jaw extremely difficult. It would require daily care and had to stay in place for 6 weeks.

Due to the needed level of care, she stayed at KVHS for the entire 6 weeks of care and healing. When her wire was removed, she required dental extractions for some teeth that were fractured and made eating uncomfortable. Finally, after weeks of care and unlimited compassion from our team, Wanda was ready for adoption. Now she is happily in her forever home.



iesel had been rescued as a puppy from a situation of unthinkable abuse and at the time his young body was scattered with cigarette burns. The bond between Diesel and his new owner was immediately strong, and years were filled with love and companionship. However, life throws tough curveballs, and Diesel's owner hit a difficult patch. His lack of housing and financial distress caused him to make the heartbreaking decision to surrender Diesel to KVHS. When KVHS is faced with devastated owners relinguishing ownership of their animals, our job is to provide comfort to humans and safe haven for animals. Diesel staved at KVHS for 189 days. He had a few attempts at adoptions, but the homes weren't quite right. You see, Diesel is special. If he were a child, we might call him spirited. Everything is a little bit "more" with Diesel. He is stubborn, a proven escape artist, and full of energy. But despite those barriers to a happy ending, his goodness shone through. Diesel wanted to succeed.

He learned new tricks and made a few best friends with staff and volunteers. But the days were still long, and a sadness began to show itself in Diesel. It was then, toward the end of his 189-day journey with us, that his original owner discovered that Diesel was still at KVHS. He had long believed that Diesel was adopted by another family, and though he missed the fur-kid he once adored, he convinced himself is was all for the best. In the time that had passed, he was able to improve his situation and now had a home and the means to care for his former dog. He made arrangements to visit KVHS and was prepared to take Diesel home. The reunion was moving, tender and sincere. Now Diesel, with his new brother, is living his best life with his family, not to be separated again.



am, now Hank, came to KVHS from our transport partners in Georgia. It was quickly discovered that he had a heart condition called pulmonic stenosis and would need a heart surgery to correct it. Our team found partners at Tufts Veterinary Clinic and we ran a fundraising campaign to help offset the costs. Hank would not have had quality of life without this surgery and we are grateful that our community supports us in providing second chances like this one. Thank you to our friends at Tufts for taking on this specialty case. Hank is very happy in his forever home and is a member of the KVHS family.

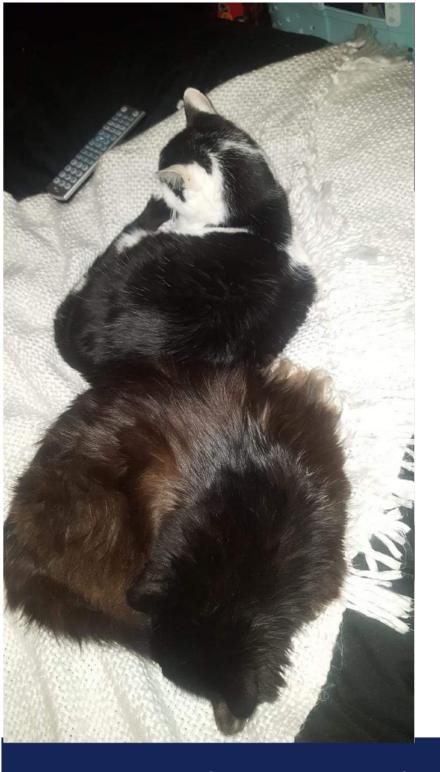
hester was found with his four siblings and mother a few days after being born. They were living outdoors and were brought to KVHS by a community member. The mother was a feral cat who rejected Chester when he was unable to nurse properly. Out team of trained staff removed Chester from the litter and found in examining him that He had a cleft lip. He was immediately examined by a veterinarian, who confirmed the diagnosis. Cleft lip and palettes are genetic disorders caused when lips and palates to do not grow properly during pregnancy. Surgery can resolve this, when infant animals are big enough and strong enough for the procedure.

Faced with a kitten only a few days old, KVHS staff refused to give up, and worked around the clock to feed Chester drops of formula through a syringe. Drop by drop, guided by patience and a love for the life of this small kitten, Chester got stronger and gained weight. Weeks went by, and the efforts to save this kitten continued.

With regular check-ups and continued patience in his feeding regime Chester was finally strong enough for surgical intervention. He had lip and palette corrective surgery that allows him to now eat and drink without danger of aspiration. He is a normal kitten that spends his days chasing his tail, climbing and perching, and snuggling in his adoptive mom's lap for a sweet nap.

At KVHS, we will continue to provide second chances to animals like Chester.





Bill and Dexter and their family were awakened in the middle of the night by a fire in their apartment complex. Dexter was found before leaving the building but Bill would be found safely later by firefighters.

Following the fire, Mom and son were able to stay with some friends but had lost all the comforts of home as had Bill and Dexter. A friend of KVHS, Mom was supplied with blankets, toys, food, treats, litter and litter box so her babies would have all they needed to stay comfortable. In times of crisis, we want to help any way that we can to keep animals with their people in their homes.

Bill and Dexter have found a new home and are purring their days away on their new favorite snuggly blanket.

As our team navigates the ever-changing needs of our community, we continue to pledge to meet people where they are. If those with lesser means need to surrender animals, or they need supplies to keep their animals in their home, we will work the them to learn about their unique situation and help find options and opportunities for them. We will support them through their journey of pet ownership. We are an animal welfare organization committed to serving both the animals and their people in our community.



### THE KENNEBEC VALLEY HUMANE SOCIETY'S CAPITAL CAMPAIGN

### THE TIME IS NOW... BUT WHY?

For those closest to the daily work of the Kennebec Valley Humane Society, it is clear that a new facility is desperately needed. The daily challenges impact animals, staff, volunteers, visitors, and the potential that each program offered by KVHS has. The time is now for a new facility due to the consistent failings of the current facility.

### This includes:

- Outdated, stressful kennel and room designs
- Extremely limited space for outdoor exercise and playtime for dogs with no additional outdoor space to expand on
- Limited space to provide life-saving transport opportunity for animals that need to be moved out of high euthanasia areas in southern states.
- No dedicated space for programing such as dog training, youth programming and activities, volunteer trainings, or community & humane education.
- No dedicated space for temperament tests and behavioral modification.
- A small surgery suite that cannot provide spay neuter surgery to animals over 25 pounds due to the very limited space and no area for the animals to recover under the supervision and care of a veterinarian.
- No ability to provide public service to community members, such as low cost spay neuter or vaccine clinics for their pets due to deed restrictions at the current facility.

The time is now to support the current and long term needs of animals in the care of KVHS, animals in the community with unmet medical and behavioral needs, and for community members and their families to have a welcoming place to visit that provides pet adoption, animal education, and a shared vision of love and advocacy for our dogs, cats, and other small and furry animals.



### **Donor Information**

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### **Pledge Information**

Yes, I believe in the mission of Kennebec Valley Humane Society of providing hope, healing and second chances and want to support the Building Happily Ever Afters Campaign

I/We pledge a tota	I of \$	_, over
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### THE KENNEBEC VALLEY HUMANE SOCIETY'S

# CAPITAL CAMPAIGN NAMING OPPORTUNITIES

**LEVEL 1 - \$2,500,000** 

**Building/Campus (pledged)** 

**LEVEL 2 - \$1,500,000** 

**Adoption Center (pledged)** 

**LEVEL 3 - \$500,000** 

Medical Clinic (2) (1/2 pledged)

**LEVEL 4 - \$250,000** 

Community Room (pledged)
Adoptable Dog Room
Adoptable Cat Room

**LEVEL 5 - \$100,000** 

Outdoor Pavilion Featured Cat (pledged) Featured Dog (pledged) **LEVEL 6 - \$50,000** 

Community Cat Room (3) (1 pledged)
Family/Visiting Room (4) (1 pledged)
Pocket Pet Room

**LEVEL 7 - \$25,000** 

Dog Yard (3) (pledged)
Walking Path
Employee Lounge
Volunteer Lounge

**LEVEL 8 - \$10,000** 

Individual Dog Kennels (30) Benches (10) Administrative Offices (6)

**LEVEL 9 - \$5,000** 

Individual Cat Kennels (30) (3 pledged) Extra Large brick or paver (10)

**LEVEL 10 - \$1000+** 

**Brick Pavers in the walkways** 

ALL NAMING OPPORTUNITIES ARE LOCATED IN PUBLIC AREAS UP TO A 5 YEAR PLEDGE

## THE KENNEBEC VALLEY HUMANE SOCIETY'S CAPITAL CAMPAIGN

Kennebec Valley Humane Society:
An organization dedicated to saving and improving the lives

### **Our Mission:**

We believe in creating a kinder community by nurturing the animal human bond. Our mission is to enrich lives by placing animals for adoption in loving homes where they can thrive on kindness and care. We support the potential in every animal by providing them with healing, hope and second chances.



We have served animals and the people who love them since 1927.



We currently serve 22 communities in Central Maine.



We have achieved and maintain a 97% Placement Rate