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Mission: To promote the humane treatment of companion animals through protection, placement, education, and example.

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Rising to the Challenge for the Animals

Animal welfare is a very dynamic industry. Each new day is full of surprises, emotion, and sometimes unpredictable challenges. While the events of 2020 and COVID-19 have been unprecedented, we are well-equipped in the art of adapting and rising to the challenge.

Over the past six months, we have found creative ways to perform adoptions, have relied on our amazing network of foster families to shelter our animals, and have discovered new ways to host fundraising events, ensuring that we will be here for the animals that need us. While COVID-19 has slowed down some of our normal programs and services, we have remained focused on our mission to save lives.

We are extremely grateful to our generous community for all of the support you have provided during this difficult time. Donations of pet food and supplies have kept our food bank full, and have given our shelter animals supplies they desperately need. We are also very thankful for your continued monetary support during a time of financial uncertainty.

It truly takes an entire community to do our good work. From our hard working staff, to our dedicated volunteers, to those who make generous donations, and those who adopt shelter animals, we couldn't do it without you! While the past six months have been difficult, they have also been full of kind and caring people, coming together and rising to the challenge for the animals.



HAPPY TAIL helen

Helen, a senior cat, was abandoned in a box on the side of the road and transferred to CAHS by a local animal control. During her intake medical exam, we discovered that both of her eyes had severe trauma to them, and would need to be removed. She was otherwise healthy and very sweet. We immediately scheduled her for a bilateral eye enucleation



with our clinic team. Helen spent a few weeks in a loving foster home, as she recovered from her surgery, and started to become accustomed to being blind.

After being with CAHS for almost two months, Helen was adopted! Her new mom provided the following update:

As soon as I saw her I was smitten! When I got her home and put her in her room, she immediately hid under the couch. I was told she was a social eater, so at meal time, I would sit with her. It didn't take her long to sit on my lap for attention. After a week, she was ready to venture into the rest of the house. She simply amazed me! She just wandered around slowly, gently bumping into things. It took her about a week to navigate her way from the front of the house to the back, without running into anything. She has been with me for three months, and she now rules the roost! She plays with crinkle balls, and her favorite toys are a catnip banana and pickle. Occasionally, she will do zoomies, and she likes to jump out of hiding to grab my legs. She is the sweetest, goofiest, most loving kitty, and I'm so glad I took a chance with her! I'm IN LOVE!







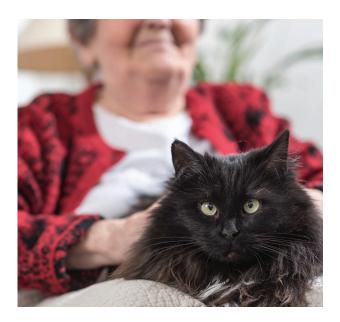
HAPPY TAIL LIAM

"My wife and I want to thank you and provide a shout out to you guys. In 2017, this little guy, Liam, (then known as Leon) was brought back to you for a second time. My wife and I were there when he was brought in. Love at first sight. I said to start the adoption paperwork.

Three years later, and a lot of work between the both of us as a Veteran Service Dog team, brought us to today's graduation from our training program with Blue Star Service Dogs.

So thank you for this little champion and partner. I wanted to say thank you and let you know you had a part in changing both a veteran and a dog's life through a simple adoption."

- Tony and Liam



Adoption Discounts for Seniors and Veterans

The Capital Area Humane Society recognizes the incredibly important role that pets play in our livesthey provide us with unconditional love, support, and a connection to the world. When a companion animal can help a veteran or senior in exchange for a loving home, everyone wins!

Adopters, age 60 or older, as well as all veterans, receive a \$50 discount on any CAHS adoption fee.

Handy Numbers

Primary Number (517) 626-6060

Become a Foster Parent Samantha Miller (517) 626-6060 ext. 121

Education Programs Lexy Ritenburgh (517) 626-6060 ext. 142

Fundraising Events Jessica Schultz (517) 626-6060 ext. 125 **Fundraising & Estate Gifts** Jamie Matwiczyk (517) 626-6060 ext. 120

Behavior Help (517) 626-6060 ext. 141

Spay & Neuter Clinic (517) 908-0756

Pet Surrender (517) 626-6060 ext. 118

Media Relations Penny Myers (517) 626-6060 ext. 111

Corporate &

Hours of Operation

Main Shelter Monday - Friday 12 p.m. – 7 p.m.

Saturday 10 a.m. - 5 p.m. **Off-Site Spay & Neuter Clinic** Monday – Friday By Appointment Only

Phone Hours 9 a.m. - 3 p.m.





Virtual Walk for the Animals a Success!

Due to the COVID-19 pandemic, the Walk for the Animals went virtual this year on October 3! Thank you to everyone who participated and attended our first livestreamed online event. Large from 97.5FM helped us feature adoptable pets, held doggy ice cream eating and pet costume photo contests, and more during our online fundraiser.

Special thank you to our generous sponsors: Taco Bell, Dowding Industries, Inc., Purina, Delta Dental of Michigan, Meijer, Emergent BioSolutions, Doggy Daycare & Spa, Williams Subaru, Invisible Fence Mid-State, MSUFCU, Clark Schaefer Hackett, First National Bank of Michigan, Lansing Chiropractic Clinic, MessageMakers, and Townsquare Media.

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HAPPY TAIL Anastasia

Anastasia, a 2-year-old white Persian, came to CAHS as a transfer from another rescue organization, after she was found as a stray. She had thinning fur on her leg and over her eye, as well as multiple abrasions over her entire body. During her intake medical exam, our veterinary staff noted that she seemed short of breath. We ordered chest radiographs from a nearby veterinary clinic, which revealed Anastasia had a pericardial diaphragmatic hernia, and needed emergency surgery. This is a condition where the abdominal contents, such as intestines, are moved into the sac that surrounds the heart.

Our staff veterinarian, Dr. Jamie Morrison, found a surgeon in Flint willing to perform this difficult surgery on a Friday evening, and drove Anastasia to Flint herself that night.

Anastasia's surgery was a success! After healing for a few weeks in Dr. Morrison's house,

Anastasia was adopted into her forever home by one of our long-time supporters, Scott. We wish to send a huge thank you to Dr. Morrison for going above and beyond for Anastasia, Scott for opening his home to her, and to all of you who, through your generous support, allowed us to save Anastasia.







Adoption Special "Adopt a Butterball"

Monday, November 23 -Wednesday, November 25, 2020

Shelter Closed for Thanksgiving

Thursday, November 26 and Friday, November 27, 2020

Giving Tuesday

Tuesday, December 1, 2020

Holiday Open House -Santa Photos With Pet Adoption Special

Saturday, December 5, 2020

Shelter Closed for Christmas

Thursday, December 24 and Friday, December 25, 2020

Winter Kid's Camp

Monday, December 28 -Wednesday, December 30, 2020

Shelter Closed for New Year's

Thursday, December 31, 2020 and Friday, January 1, 2021

Adoption Special "Bark in the Mew Year"

Monday, January 4 -Friday, January 8, 2021

Fur Ball Gala

Saturday, April 17, 2021