



2010 Annual Report

"Dogs are not our whole life, but they make our lives whole." -Roger Caras



NH HUMANE SOCIETY
Laconia • New Hampshire

Mission Statement

The New Hampshire Humane Society (NHHS) is a private non-profit organization that was founded in 1900. As one of the largest and oldest humane societies in New Hampshire, we provide care for more than 1,300 animals each year, offer a low cost spay/neuter clinic, cruelty investigations and community outreach programs for the cities and towns in the NH Lakes Region.

Our mission and purpose is:

Finding responsible and caring forever homes

To provide shelter and care for lost, abandoned and unwanted animals



To be advocates for animals... speaking for those that cannot speak for themselves



To implement educational programs and provide services to promote responsible pet ownership and the bond between animals and humans



To prevent cruelty to animals



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President's Message

On behalf of the Board of Directors, I offer many thanks to all that have contributed to our efforts to find forever homes for the animals we serve.

Our 2010 outcomes are wonderful - 1,221 animals found homes, 251 dogs were saved from euthanasia in other states, and 618 animals were spayed/neutered through our low-cost SNAP program.

As I have been preparing to transition off the board, I have been thinking about all that has happened in the time I have been associated with NHHS:

- Through the diligence and hard work of our former Executive Director and Board President, a new building was constructed. The building was designed to provide a safe and healthy environment for the animals, and includes warm kennels for the dogs, and sunny community rooms for the cats.
- We have expanded our low-cost spay-neuter services, a key to helping control animal overpopulation.
- We are exploring trap-spay-neuter programs as a method to help manage the

feral cat population.

- We continue outreach to the public, including enhancing programs for children. As evidenced by my photo, love of animals starts at a young age!
- Our team works hard every day to ensure that the animals in our care find forever homes and are cared for with love and compassion.
- Our volunteers logged 6,015 hours in 2010 to help us fulfill our mission.

As an independent nonprofit without ties to a national organization, we depend on the support of donors and volunteers. In these challenging economic times we really appreciate those that continue to support our efforts. Support for NHHS can take many forms - board membership, financial support, participation in event planning, direct animal care, or the occasional drop off of a big pack of paper towels or peanut butter (always welcome!)

We look forward to 2011 and hope you will join us in the effort to help the animals that depend upon us.

Warmly,

Susannah Chance



Executive Director's Message



To our Supporters of the New Hampshire Humane Society:

I am entering my second year as Executive Director of the New Hampshire Humane Society and continue to be as excited to be here as the first day I started. Saving animal's lives and finding them their "forever homes" is the core of our mission. Our adoption counselors create loving unions by matching the temperament and energy level of our animals with the life-style and living situations of the new parents.

In 2010 the programs we continued included low cost spays and neuters, pet therapy programs for our senior citizens, a pet food pantry for those in financial need to feed their animals and a brand new program for elementary school children where they learn animal care and respect over a 5 week course. We will continue to give back to our community friends as a partnership.

The New Hampshire Humane Society has a wonderful dedicated staff and core of volunteers who make this organization run 365 days a year, rain or shine. I am so proud of the hard work, long hours, and dedication that all of the staff and volunteers do every single day. I am honored to be part of this team.

The most important undertaking of NHHS is the care and humane treatment of the more than 1300 animals that come through our doors each year with over 1,200 going to their forever homes.

We strive to make their stay here as short as possible, but no matter how long the wait, all are assured loving treatment and no animal is ever euthanized for time or money constraints.

We have continued to have a significant impact on the number of unwanted animals due to our Spay Neuter Assistance Program (S.N.A.P.). This program provides affordable veterinary services to pets of families in our community. Over 600 animals were altered thereby reducing the number of unwanted dogs and cats. We are educating the public to recognize that spaying and neutering is the key to eliminating pet overpopulation and homelessness. NHHS is doing everything we can to encourage pet owners to alter their animals.

We know that we can't do this important work alone and we are grateful for your continued support. Thank you for supporting the lifesaving work of the New Hampshire Humane Society and those that cannot speak for themselves!

Mary G. Di Maria



"Cat's motto: No matter what you've done wrong, always try to make it look like the dog did it." -unknown

The Jewel in the Crown

By Marylee Gorham

Director of Development, PR & Volunteer Director

2010 has proven to be one of our most successful years in terms of volunteer involvement logging 6015 of service for New Hampshire Humane Society. The volunteer department is dynamic rather than static, people join the program and others leave, the one true constant is a group of stalwart individuals completely dedicated to our organization and the mission.

New this year, a fully fledged Pet Therapy program.

A core group of hand-picked folks visit area nursing homes on Fridays, our designated Pet Therapy Day. Forrest View Manor in Meredith, Belknap County Nursing Home in Laconia, and Golden View Health Care Center in Meredith, are regular visitation spots. Soon to be added in the early part of 2011, Meredith Community Center. Thirteen active volunteers support the program, bringing their own dogs, often alumni, or special shelter dogs. Approximately 800 area elders have benefitted thus far from the comfort of a dog visiting them.

My thanks to: Cindy Bronson, Phil Bohl, Carolyn Brown, Amanda Conaway, William Desmond, Barbara Ganem, Bonna Hughes, Kevin Keady, Brendan Morrison, Becky Mayo, Ed Peck, Penny Ramsay, and Stephanie Robinson for their time and compassion.

2010 saw the successful launch of the Internship program. Specific to the medical wing an identified student was able to conclude eighty hours of service at NHHS learning basic best practices and veterinary skills. The program is geared towards those seriously considering a career in the animal care field and links with local education systems.

Our first intern, Mikayla Blake, graduated at the end of the year with full recognition for her efforts noted at Laconia High School. The program will be expanded in 2011 to 120 hours of service with more in depth competencies for the volunteer accepted.

Volunteers were instrumental in smooth operation of many events both large and small; Funspot Triathlon, Craft Fairs, Annual Auction, Adopt A Thon to name but a few, all staffed by volunteers. These opportunities could not be successful without their time, support and commitment.

Animal Champions program got off to a wonderful start in 2010. Again, a core group of volunteers with a special affinity for children, the next generation of pet owners, hosted and taught children from Woodland Heights Elementary School a five lesson curriculum centered around responsible pet ownership. Food, Shelter, Exercise and Play, veterinary care, and love being the five tenets of being a good pet owner. My thanks to Deborah Fairbanks-Corr, Jan Keady, and Wanda Gilson for their support. I anticipate expanding the program in 2011 to encompass summer camp groups.

I would like to extend personal thanks to all our volunteers this year and look forward to 2011 where we will be able to accomplish even more thanks to our most precious resource, our volunteers!



Micah, a NHHS Alumnus, spreads cheer at the Belknap County Nursing Home

Of Note:

Martha McGuire 91.75 hours
Rebecca (Becky) Mayo 98.50 hours
Kevin Keady 99.25 hours

Jeff Beeman 116.25 hours
Deborah Fairbanks-Corr 118.25 hours
Judy Reilly 120 hours
Judy Manning 120 hours
Linda Petell 124 hours
Wanda Gilson 129.75 hours
Philippa (Phil) Bohl 140 hours
Evelyn Blais 140.25 hours
Roberta (Bobbi) Bacon 146.50 hours

Desiree Young 206.50 hours
Mary Reise 215.50 hours
Edward (Ed) Peck 235.25
Amanda Conaway 269.00 hours

Patricia (Pat) Muzzey 330.50
Vanessa Lemieux 337.00 hours

William Desmond 542.25 hours



Hill Girl Scout Troop

S.N.A.P

Spay Neuter Assistance Program



SNAP STATS 2010

- 250 cat neuters
- 268 cat spays
- 55 dog neuters
- 53 dog spays

The New Hampshire Society has committed its staff and resources to solving the overwhelming problem of unwanted kittens and puppies. NHHS has become the leader in offering safe, affordable sterilizations in the Lakes Region of NH. Our S.N.A.P program offers Spay/Neuter assistance and provides affordable veterinary services to families in need. We recognize that spay/neuter is the key to eliminating pet homelessness.

We would like to thank Dr. Sara White, the founder and veterinarian of Spay ASAP, Inc. who we partnered with to successfully provide our communities with low cost spay and neuter options!

“When I play with my cat, how do I know that she is not passing time with me rather than I with her?”

-Montaigne



Statistical Information—Our Animals in 2010

The NH Humane Society is pleased to publish statistical information under nationally recognized guidelines known as the Asilomar Accords. This format was developed by a group of animal welfare leaders for the purpose of building bridges across varying philosophies, developing relationships and creating goals focused on reducing the euthanasia of healthy and treatable companion animals in the United States.

Annual Animal Statistics

Animals Received	
Dogs and Puppies	530
Cats and Kittens	788
Other Animals	12
Total	1330

Animals Adopted	
Dogs and Puppies	357
Cats and Kittens	694
Other Animals	9
Total	1060

NH vs. Transport Dogs	
NH Dogs	270
Transported Dogs	260
Total	530

Animals Reunited	
Dogs and Puppies	153
Cats and Kittens	8
Other Animals	0
Total	161



NHHS Administration

[Mary Di Maria](#)
Executive Director

[Marylee Gorham](#)
Director of Development,
PR and Volunteers

[Karen Bald](#)
Business Director

[Lauren Richard](#)
Animal Care Manager



2010 Year End Financials

As a private non-profit organization, the NHHS relies on the financial support from generous individuals, businesses and foundations. Despite a constant struggle as we seek to stay within the confines of a set budget added to the challenge of unexpected animal welfare situations we successfully managed to provide services to the community. We are pleased to share our 2010 financial results with you that outlines our financial stewardship and sound fiscal strategy.

2010 Operating Revenues (unaudited)

Sources of Support:	Amount	% of Total
Individual and Corporate Donations	\$268,903.00	25.1%
Net Proceeds from Fundraising Events*	\$61,420.00	5.7%
Estate Giving: Wills and Bequests	\$323,331.00	30.2%
Shelter Services (Adoptions, Medical)	\$169,303.00	15.8%
City and Town Service Contracts	\$65,600.00	6.1%
Interest, Dividends, & Other Income	\$165,576.00	15.5%
Grants	\$16,649.00	1.6%
Total Income:	\$1,070,782.00	100%

* Includes the value of donated auction items

Your donations to NHHS are used for the greatest good for our animals. Our finances are audited by an independent accounting firm yearly to comply with federal standards. We provide full disclosure of financial data to the State of New Hampshire, fulfilling all charitable registration requirements. We continue to ensure that our revenues and expenditures are in healthy balance, reviewed by our Board in consent with our financial managers to protect the longevity of our organization and sustainability of our programs.



“My dog is worried about the economy because Alpo is up to \$3.00 a can. That's almost \$21.00 in dog money.”

Joe Weinstein

YOU CAN HELP
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ONLINE TODAY



2010 Year End Financials

The New Hampshire Humane Society operations, programs and services cost \$2,600.26 per day to operate, which computes to \$713.61 per animal. Adoption fees only cover 13.74% of that cost; the rest needs to be raised as donations or event fundraisers. Additional expenses include interest payments on a \$1.7 million dollar building loan. Fundraising expenses factor less than 11% with 77% of every dollar donated going directly to the programs that provide care for our animals. We aggressively manage our expense budget to ensure that your donation dollar is used wisely to provide for the animals.



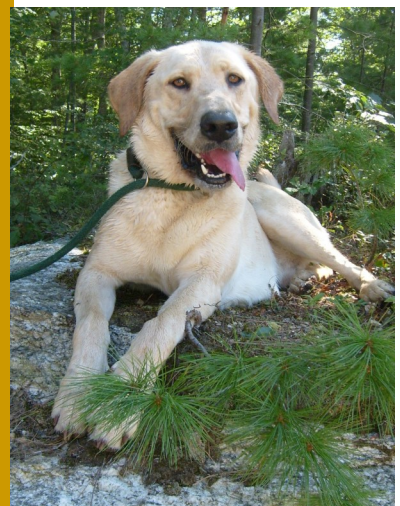
“No matter how little money and how few possessions you own, having a dog makes you rich.”

-Louis Sabin

2010 Operating Expenses (unaudited)

Total Expenses:	Amount	% of Total
Animal Welfare & Sheltering	\$544,963.00	50.36%
Veterinary Care	\$177,858.00	16.43%
Mortgage Payments on Shelter Building	\$108,000.00	9.98%
Capital Improvements - Shelter Building	\$3,125.00	0.29%
Admin Support Services	\$118,275.00	10.93%
Fundraising and Community Outreach	\$130,010.00	12.01%
Total Expenses:	\$1,082,231.00	

Reconciliation of Net Assets	Amount
Net Assets or Fund Balances at Beginning of Year	\$ 3,760,585.00
Revenue Less Expenses	\$ (11,449.00)
Net Unrealized Gains on Investments	\$ 119,324.00
Net Assets or Fund Balances at End of Year	\$ 3,868,460.00



Donor Recognition

The New Hampshire Humane Society relies on the financial support of our donors to assist us with the care of the homeless, abandoned, and injured animals. Due to the support we receive we are able to offer care and comfort along with medical attention to the animals that arrive on our door steps.

On behalf of all of us and the animals at NHHS we are pleased to acknowledge the generosity of those individuals, corporation, and foundations who supported us with direct contributions totaling \$500 or more.

We would also like to extend our sincere gratitude to all who contributed to NHHS in 2010. Thank you!



Shelter Support Staff

Veterinarian
Dr. Rich Montminy

Animal Care Technicians
Devin Arsenault
Kelly Bennett
Gina Carita
Ashley Clark
Kristen Czerwonka
Amy Depres
Justin Elliot
Peggy Gifford
Chelsea Gleeson
Michelle King
Jennica Hancock
Kim Royea
Tina Shipley
Brandon Sousa
Megan Tower
Jerica Wikins

Animal Behaviorist
Kelly Sullivan-Arbogast

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Carrie Chase

\$10,000+

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\$5,000+

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Leo Sandy
Don Molick
Winnepesaukee Veterinary Emer-
gency Center
All the amazing donors that stop by
with various items from our
wish list throughout the year



*“A cat has
nine lives. For
three he
plays, for
three he
strays, and
for the last
three he
stays.”*

-English Proverb

