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AND HOME TO ALMOST TRIPLE THE NATIONAL AVERAGE OF HOMELESS PETS PER 1,000 PEOPLE

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Nevada Humane Society by the Numbers

IMPACT ON PET OVERPOPULATION • YTD as of June 30, 2014



2,941

Public spay/neuter surgeries (does not include sterilization of Nevada Humane Society animals).

259

Adoptable pets saved from being euthanized at other shelters.



1,032

Feral cats trapped, neutered and released who will no longer reproduce.



11,920

of unwanted, homeless puppies NOT born as a result of NHS spay/neuter efforts.

ASPCA estimate: 1 litter of 4-6 per dog annually.



31,920

of unwanted, homeless kittens NOT born as a result of NHS spay/neuter efforts.

ASPCA estimate: 1-2 litters of 4-6 per cat annually.



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Message from Kevin Ryan, CEO

Does Washoe County Have a Pet Overpopulation Problem?

The question of “how many is too many” when speaking of homeless pets is a question that has been and will be debated for years to come. What constitutes overpopulation? Or is there, as some in animal welfare suggest, already a lid for every pot? Heady questions for people much smarter than me to investigate. So let’s just examine the facts in our community.

Nevada Humane Society (NHS) has forged a no-kill community in Washoe County. No adoptable or treatable animal is euthanized by our county’s three shelters—an amazing feat that few communities in the nation can claim. However, this reality could lead some to the conclusion that the job is done. How can there be too many animals if we can find homes for all that are adoptable?

NHS alone has adopted out almost 70,000 animals since committing to a no-kill mission in 2007. In 2013, NHS found homes for 100 fewer animals than our counterpart in Las Vegas, a community over five times larger than Washoe County. Is this pace—adopting over 9,000



animals every single year in a community of 460,000 people—truly sustainable? In a community like ours I think it is, but we need to attack the problem from a number of directions by building a multi-front approach.

There are a lot of people searching for pets; there are a lot of pets in shelters. It may seem as though one reality would offset the other. Yet when we dig into the data, that’s not what’s happening, not nationally and not here at home.

The facts are simple. In Washoe County, our per capita animal intake is nearly triple the national average—38 dogs and cats per 1,000 people versus 14 dogs and cats per 1,000 people on average nationally. Since NHS redefined animal welfare in Nevada in 2007, we have experienced a reduction in intake. Yet, we have not seen the precipitous drop one would expect from our aggressive and robust spay and neuter programs and innovative outreach. Whether you call it pet overpopulation or some other euphemism, we have a homeless animal problem in Northern Nevada.

NHS invests significant human and financial resources to encourage the adoption of homeless pets. We offer enhanced adoptions through programs like Angel Pets, Seniors-for-Seniors and Social Se-CAT-ary. We spend considerable time mitigating surrenders and helping animals stay in good homes. It takes all of this activity to just keep our head above water.

What needs to come next is a new approach, a new paradigm which creates permanent revolution. NHS is part of the revolution. For details, please see our cover story on page 6.

Is there animal overpopulation here in Washoe County? Yes. And we need your help.

403 Animals Adopted!

Thank you to Maddie’s Fund & our community for making a difference!



Kudos to **Maddie’s Fund** for supporting Maddie’s Pet Adoption Days in our community and nationwide. And many thanks to **Petco Foundation** for sponsoring our 7th annual Walk for Animals, which attracted hundreds of walkers and their pets and raised over \$75,000 for homeless animals.



Our Biggest Little Wins

A Celebration of Lives Transformed by Nevada Humane Society



I'm Nathan. I arrived at Nevada Humane Society as a tiny puppy, along with several siblings, when our mom came down with parvovirus. Luckily for us, our person sought help from Nevada Humane Society just in time, because it saved our lives! We had to spend a long time in the medical infirmary to recover and ensure that we wouldn't pass parvo on to anyone else. Because we were too young to be adopted, we went into a foster home with an amazing family who helped us grow big and strong. Then, just in time for Maddie's Pet Adoption Days in June, we were healthy and happy and ready to find our forever families! All of us were adopted during this special annual event sponsored by Maddie's Fund. My wonderful new person, Mendy Elliott (pictured with Nathan and "Maddie"), is on the Board of Directors at Nevada Humane Society, so her co-Board members are going to be hearing stories about me for a long time. I'm so grateful to everyone who helped my four-legged family survive, because now we're getting the second chance at life that we deserve.



I'm Rubena. Curious and charming, I'm a two-and-a-half-year-old social gal who is talkative and affectionate. My person became too ill to care for me so I ended up at Nevada Humane Society and on the NHS Facebook page. A woman from Pennsylvania who had just lost her dog fell in love with me online. She contacted Operation Roger, a group of pet-loving truckers who help needy pets get to their new homes. So I hitched a ride cross-country with a friendly trucker and now am snug in my new home. How's that for a happy ending?



I'm Lilo. Have you ever heard the saying "less is more?" Well, in my case, it's true! I may have lost a leg, but I'm only two years old and still have nine lives and a lot of love to share! My person was heart-broken to have to give me up, but she knew by bringing me to NHS I would be loved and cared for while I awaited my new home. The expert and caring clinic staff nursed me back to health and got me ready to go out and find my place in the world. Playful, outgoing and vivacious, I captured the hearts of my new people and know that I've finally found my forever home. Thanks to NHS and my amazing family I can do more on three legs than most cats can do on four.



I'm Willow. Sweet, a little shy, calm yet curious, I'm a kind old gal—almost nine years old—who was looking for love. I enjoy slow strolls on the beach, being cuddled and read to, watching a good chick flick, and the color pink! I was a lucky one and met my new person at Maddie's Pet Adoption Days. Now I'm living the Golden Years I deserve, cherished and cared for.



Interventions That Save Lives

Foster Care—Literally a Lifesaver

Victor and Mictor (photo at right) were weeks-old street urchins when they were rescued and handed over to Nevada Humane Society. The tiny survivors found an angel in one of our dedicated foster care volunteers and her round-the-clock lifesaving care.

But even the TLC didn't stop little Mictor from deteriorating. His foster mom rushed the little guy to the NHS clinic where—after intensive care and monitoring—Mictor came around. Thanks to our foster program, clinic and a stellar volunteer, the rambunctious brothers found loving homes in June during Maddies's Pet Adoption Days at NHS.

...our foster program lies at the very crux of our lifesaving endeavors.

“Put simply, our foster program lies at the very crux of our lifesaving endeavors,” says NHS CEO Kevin Ryan. “Without the thousands of families that welcome animals into their homes, we could not achieve the save rate that we strive for. Our no-kill mission is made possible by you, our foster families.”

In 2013, nearly 2,000 pets—many of whom would not have survived without foster care—were housed and nurtured by our volunteer team. Foster care gives these young animals the loving home environment they need to thrive while opening up space at the shelter so even more lives can be saved. At 6-to-9 weeks,



these young animals are old enough to be sterilized, vaccinated, microchipped and put up for adoption. As one devoted foster care volunteer attested, “taking care of a litter of kittens is a lot of work, but more rewarding than words can express.”

Foster program volunteers have the chance to choose the situation that suits their lifestyle, including the type of animal, and scope of care. The greatest need is help with young kittens, some of whom need to be bottle-fed. There is no cost to the foster volunteer—NHS provides a starter kit of supplies, required medications, all medical treatment, relevant training and on-call assistance via a 24-hour help line.

JOIN OUR FOSTER CARE VOLUNTEER TEAM

No experience is necessary to become a foster care volunteer, though there are certain criteria that must be met for the protection of the foster animals in your care as well as your personal pets.

- Foster care volunteers need to be 18 years old or older; if you are under 18, your parent/guardian may sign as the supervising adult.
- Your home must have a warm, safe location—such as a bathroom, bedroom or laundry room—to keep foster animals separate from personal pets.
- Personal dogs and cats must be spayed or neutered; you may contact our clinic to make an appointment if necessary.
- It's recommended that personal pets are up-to-date on vaccinations; our clinics can also provide these.

For more information, contact Nikole Nichols,
Community Programs Manager, 775-856-2000, ext. 321
or nnichols@nevadahumanesociety.org



Social media is **Community Programs Manager Nikole Nichols'** best friend. Every day, after assessing the collection of animals to be placed in foster

care, she gets the word out to prospective foster care volunteers via Facebook postings, email blasts, text messages, Twitter and even the old-fashioned telephone. Then Nikole adeptly juggles pet-volunteer matches, paperwork, clinic visits, supplies and more for as many as 10 litters a day. And yes, if foster homes are not found for all animals at the end of the day, Nikole—a champion of the helpless—takes her “work” home with her.

A Permanent Solution to Pet Overpopulation

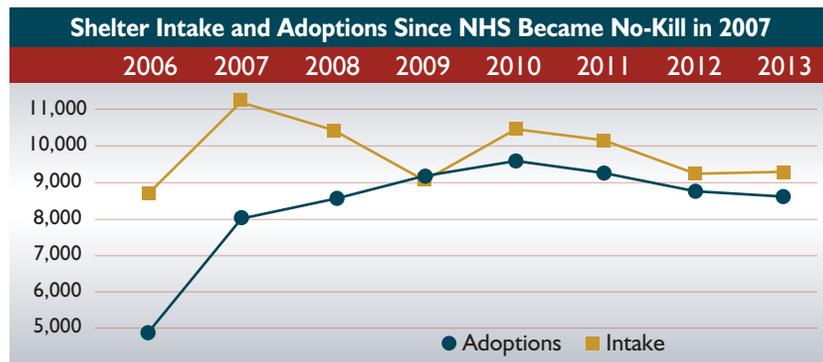
Confronting the staggering toll is never easy—more than 250 million cats and dogs have been put to death at animal shelters in the United States during the last 40 years.¹ Of the dogs entering shelters, approximately 35% are adopted, 31% are euthanized and 26% who came in as strays are returned to their owner. For cats, about 37% are adopted, 41% are euthanized and less than 5% who came in as strays are returned to their owners.²

Sobering, sickening statistics. The question—how do we effect change and save dramatically more lives?

Washoe County's No-Kill Journey

Since 2007, Washoe County has been committed to a no-kill philosophy, where no animals are euthanized unless they have a poor medical prognosis or are deemed a risk to public safety. Since that time, after a dramatic initial increase in our lifesaving rate, Nevada Humane Society has consistently increased adoptions and decreased or sustained intake. Proof positive that the construction of a no-kill community can save lives, reduce intake, and build a safety net for a region's most vulnerable animals.

Under the direction of compassionate, committed leadership, we've have put in place what are widely considered to be the



¹ Peter Marsh, Replacing Myth with Math: Using Evidence-Based Programs to Eradicate Shelter Overpopulation; 2010; http://www.shelteroverpopulation.org/Books/Replacing_Myth_with_Math.pdf

² ASPCA; <http://www.aspc.org/about-us/faq/pet-statistics>

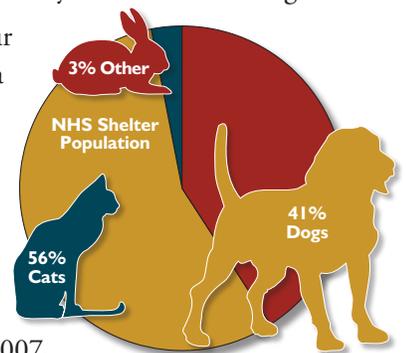
critical components of the no-kill equation:

- High-volume, low-cost spay/neuter services
- Rescue group partnerships
- Robust foster care and volunteer support
- Comprehensive adoption programs
- Pet retention initiatives
- Medical and behavior programs
- Trap-Neuter-Return (TNR) campaign
- Public relations and community involvement strategies.

Now it's time to build on our no-kill foundation to forge a permanent solution to pet overpopulation in our region.

A Powerful Resource

A mighty tool is our Animal Resource Center (ARC, formerly known as the Animal Help Desk). Since 2007, the ARC has responded to thousands of contacts each month—over 20,000 annually—in an effort to keep animals in their homes.



Knowledgeable staff provide resources for behavior issue resolution, connect pet owners in financial need with free or low-cost spay/neuter programs and other services, and generally offer a comforting and knowledgeable partner for issues related to their animals.

Operating primarily in a reactive mode, the ARC has proven effective—yet it only works when pet owners seek our assistance. In our community there are thousands of companion animal owners who don't know about the ARC or are unenlightened about available resources for responsible pet ownership.

Thanks
to our donors
and adopters,
we have a new
leash on life!



Napolean
Adopted by Melanie Quillian



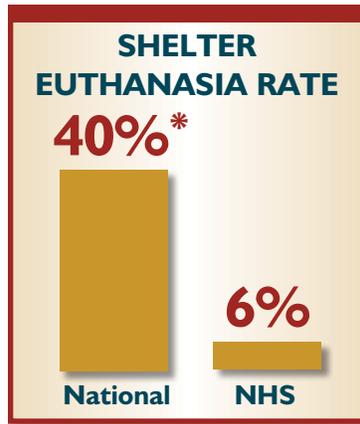
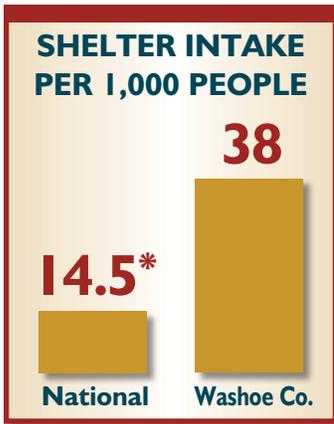
Cherry
Adopted by Jayson Hedrick



Max
Adopted by
Angela & Desiree Kilen



Mackey
Adopted by Jose Gomez



*Maddie's Fund

To significantly expand its impact, the ARC is becoming proactive, heading into the community with our Pet Action & Resource Team (PART), a corps of trained volunteers with the mission of building bridges to underserved populations.

Taking It to the Streets

Going neighborhood to neighborhood, we are beginning to cultivate relationships with families and individuals owning companion animals. We are identifying local advocates who can help communicate information about relevant issues and resources with cultural sensitivity, and in other languages as necessary.

Some of the resources in our PART team's toolbox include: free or low-cost spay/neuter services; vaccination clinics; microchipping; humane education; veterinary support; wellness care; dog training classes; and dog bite prevention outreach.

Affordable Spay/Neuter Services

Encouraging and facilitating the spaying and neutering of pets is surely the most effective way to reduce the number of homeless animals in any community. NHS works diligently to secure support for affordable spay/neuter services to the public. Thanks to funding provided by generous grantors such as PetSmart Charities via its Targeted Spay/Neuter initiative, combined with the dedication and hard work of the NHS clinic team, we are chipping away at the problem.

Adoption Promotions that Produce

Once at our shelter or one of our community adoption events, prospective adopters are skillfully matched with their perfect

pet partner by our expert adoption counselor team. However, it's our marketing team that excels at enticing the public through our doors and to our other community events.

Every week of the year, an innovative promotion—from Real Men Love Cats to Hot August Pets (to complement a favorite community event, Hot August Nights—is underway at NHS to appeal to different segments of the pet lover population. A-CAT-emy Awards, Adopt Me I'm Irish, DOGtoberfest, Howl-o-Ween—no holiday is beyond “animalizing” to put our shelter pets in the spotlight. And creative promotions work! Since 2007, annual adoptions have steadily climbed.

Revolutionary Attitudes and Behavior

We know that extensive neighborhood outreach, expanded spay/neuter services and increased adoptions aren't the complete solution to pet overpopulation—but we do believe they are significant steps toward a permanent solution. In time NHS hopes to drop from our current “above average” homeless pets per 1,000 people to “below average”—for this particular statistic, we're aiming for the very bottom.

The reality is that there is no silver bullet to solve the problem of unwanted, abused, and neglected pets. It will take a myriad of proven programmatic responses as well as development of innovative approaches. NHS will continue to be a leader in the animal welfare industry and at the forefront of invention. Yet in the end, the revolution we need is in the attitudes and behavior our community itself and in each of our minds and hearts.

BE PART OF THE SOLUTION

- **Adopt your pets from a shelter**
- **Spay or neuter all of your pets**
- **Encourage your friends, family, neighbors and business associates to get on the “shelter adoption, spay-neuter bandwagon”**
- **Show your support for our community's homeless animals through donations and volunteering your time**



Smirks & Cookie
Adopted by Calvin Millerbis



Peaches
Adopted by Brittney Stone



Lady (aka Baguette)
Adopted by Rutilo Saldana



Topper
Adopted by Betty Gonzalez



Acorn
Adopted by Phillip Crabtree

A Conversation with Denise Stevens, NHS Director of Operations



NHS Director of Operations Denise Stevens and Nutter the cat.

What got you into the animal welfare field?

As a kid, our family had a wide variety of pets, including a dog, cats, a duck and even chickens. And I regularly brought home a variety of hurt critters. When a terrible wildfire threatened wildlife at Animal Ark sanctuary north of Reno, I got involved while working at a veterinary clinic that took in dozens of Ark animals.

How many years have you been in animal welfare?

It's hard to believe that it's been 15 years. In 1999, I met a woman who needed help with trapping and sterilizing feral cats and life has never been the same. That involvement with TNR (Trap-Neuter-Return) led me to a relationship with the local SPCA. Eventually, I managed the SPCA shelter for two years before leaving to start Community Cats, a non-profit organization dedicated solely to providing spay and neuter services for feral cats. In 2007, I joined Nevada Humane Society as Director of Operations.

What is an "average" day like at NHS?

I really don't believe there is an average day in animal sheltering because our "clients" are so unique. But there is a rhythm to the daily activities. In the morning, it's all about transferring animals from Washoe County Regional Animal Services (WCRAS) into our shelter. Then we need to get those animals to our clinic for spay/neuter services and medical procedures as needed. Morning hours before the shelter opens to the public also involves getting pets ready for adoption, and making sure that the facility is clean and welcoming when the doors open. Once we are open, animals surrendered by the public need to be vaccinated and taken to the clinic for an exam. While one team is handling all of the hands-on animal care in the shelter, another team is working on adoption promotions, building community awareness and fundraising. I think animal

sheltering really personifies the expression "it takes a village" as there are so many wheels in motion at any given time and numerous staff and volunteers working to make the lifesaving possible.

How have you seen NHS change since starting here?

I was extremely fortunate to join NHS in 2007 during the early days of implementing our no-kill mission, which required a major transformation in our operations. Under the leadership of then-Executive Director Bonney Brown, best practices were put in place, policies and procedures documented, and animal care staff trained to do their jobs successfully. The first few years were quite challenging. Today, lifesaving is the norm and NHS is a professional organization for which I am proud to work.

What are your hopes for the future for NHS?

I believe that the animal sheltering industry as a whole is becoming much more proactive in helping people keep their pets by finding ways to address the roadblocks, whether they be housing issues, lack of a fence, pet behavior problems or financial distress. NHS has been a leader in innovative ideas and community lifesaving for many years and I would like to see that trend continue to grow.

What are some of the jobs you've held?

Besides animal sheltering, I was a dog groomer, owned a small cleaning service, have worked in manufacturing and warehousing, at a veterinary office and was a research assistant while a student at UNR.

If you were breed of dog, what would it be? Breed of cat?

If a dog, definitely a mutt, probably one that is a bit tenacious but also enjoys life—a bit like my current puggle I'm sure. And for a feline, a feral cat, no doubt, one with a caregiver who comes daily with a dish of yummy food.

Can you share a story about a favorite shelter animal?

In early 2008, an older, obese Great Dane/Lab mix named Bob was left outside our facility with a bag of treats and a note that read "Please take care of me. All shots current. Given up because of monetary reasons." No owner name was given. There was something about this gentle soul—whom we renamed "Prince Bob" for his royal demeanor—that really pulled at my heart strings. Our veterinary staff went into action. Bob's blood work showed that his thyroid was not functioning properly, causing his excessive weight—a whopping 182 pounds! Since our dog beds were not big enough, we bought a mattress for Prince Bob to lie on to ease the pressure on his old bones. He was started on thyroid medication and volunteers went to work with exercise, building up to nice long walks. One of our wonderful foster families took Bob into their home to continue his rehabilitation. After five months, Prince Bob came back to the shelter, full of life at a slim-and-trim 113 pounds. He was adopted by a young couple and was the ring bearer at their wedding.

NHS Director of Operations since 2007, Denise is responsible for overseeing all aspects of animal care, adoptions, our clinic and facility maintenance. She holds a Bachelor of Science Degree in Environmental Policy Analysis from the University of Nevada-Reno. Denise can be reached at 775-856-2000, ext. 304 and dstevens@nevadahumanesociety.org.

Vet Check

Q&A with Katherine Matzke, DVM

The doctor is in! In every issue of *NHS Society Pages*, a member of the NHS clinic veterinary team will respond to your pet-related questions. See box below to find out how to submit your questions.

Why does my dog constantly eat grass? – Lisa P.

Eating grass is a natural behavior for dogs, and can even be seen in wild dogs! Your dog may simply like the taste of grass, indeed many dogs (mine included) really seem to enjoy eating grass. Occasionally, dogs may eat grass to help digestion. Other potential causes are boredom or even nutritional deficiencies. Long story short—this is not a habit about which you should be overly concerned! One note of caution is to beware of the herbicides/pesticides used on the grass as these can be dangerous for your dog's health.

I know declawing is a controversial topic. What are your thoughts? – Mary W.

Behavioral problems are one of the most common reasons given for relinquishment of pet cats to shelters, with house soiling and aggression toward people among the most commonly cited problems. Interestingly, many of the cats we see at NHS exhibiting the aforementioned issues are also declawed. Research studies aimed at determining if there is a direct link between declawing cats and later behavioral problems (such as house soiling and aggression) have been very contradictory, with no clear answer to the question. However, if you ask an animal shelter worker if declawed cats in their shelter commonly exhibit behavioral problems, you will most likely get an overwhelming “YES!”

In addition, declawing is a very invasive procedure. It is, very simply, the amputation of 10 toes. The procedure always comes with some amount of pain and discomfort and has a considerably higher complication rate than other “routine procedures.”

We want cats to find good homes. We want cats to stay in their loving homes and everyone at NHS knows that scratching can be an issue. Yet rather than remove 10 toes, let's look to tools like training, scratching posts, soft paws and nail trimming.

My West Highland/Norfolk terrier mix licks the air compulsively, usually while resting or sitting close to someone. He has a seizure disorder that's under control with meds. What can I do to calm that annoying habit? – Kristen H.

That's a tough question! There could be many reasons why your dog is licking the air. This may in fact be related to his seizure disorder, though it would be difficult to tell without seeing a video of the behavior and getting a more thorough history. This may



NHS Shelter Veterinarian Dr. Katherine Matzke and her dog, Pazza.

also be a compulsive disorder. I would recommend taking him to your veterinarian, and bringing a video of the behavior with you. The video, together with a thorough history, may be enough to determine the cause (and treatment) of this “annoying habit.”

I have two dogs that do the “reverse sneeze” thing. Is this due to allergies? Food or environmental? My Boxador does it more than my Golden Retriever. We usually put our hand over her nose and mouth blocking her air to get her to swallow and she will usually stop, until the next one. It happens year-round. – Cyndi C.

Good question—many dogs face this problem. There are multiple causes of reverse sneezing. In our area, many of the patients I see tend to be due to environmental allergies. Most of these dogs respond very well to antihistamine treatment during the seasons when their allergies are worst. Other causes of reverse sneezing include breed/conformation, excitement, and throat irritation (pulling on the leash).

DO YOU HAVE A PET QUESTION FOR THE NHS VETERINARY TEAM?

Post your query on the NHS Facebook page (facebook.com/nevadahumanesociety) or email it to kwade@nevadahumanesociety.org (with Vet Check in the Subject line). Then check the next edition of NHS Society Pages to find out if your question was selected.

Dr. Katherine Matzke joined NHS in 2013. A graduate of the University of Florida College of Veterinary Medicine, her experience includes service at ASPCA, Palm Beach County Animal Care & Control and First Coast No More Homeless Pets. Dr. Matzke can be reached at 775-856-2000, ext. 307 and kmatzke@nevadahumanesociety.org.

NHS Resources for Pets & People

ADOPTIONS AT NHS SHELTER

Sunday-Friday: 11am - 6:30pm
Saturday: 10am - 6:30pm
2825 Longley Lane, Reno, NV
775-856-2000, ext. 302

ANGEL PETS ADOPTION PROGRAM

Lifetime care for special needs animals
775-856-2000, ext. 302

ANIMAL ABUSE/CRUELTY

Where to report suspected abuse
775-856-2000, ext. 200

ANIMAL ADMISSIONS

Contact Animal Resource Center
775-856-2000, ext. 200
info@nevadahumanesociety.org

ANIMAL RESOURCE CENTER

(formerly Animal Help Desk)
Support and resources for pet owners
775-856-2000, ext. 200
info@nevadahumanesociety.org



Join the Team.

To volunteer, call 775-856-2000, ext. 321.

CAT ACTION TEAM

Help with free-roaming felines and cat colonies
775-856-2000, ext. 337

DONATIONS

Support homeless animals in Northern Nevada
775-856-2000, ext. 324

EMERGENCY RESPONSE TEAM

Help with pet emergencies and boarding situations
775-856-2000, ext. 200

EMILY'S LIST DONATIONS

Support care for injured animals
775-856-2000, ext. 324

FERAL CATS

Help with free-roaming felines and cat colonies
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FOSTER CARE

Short-term care for needy animals
775-856-2000, ext. 314

G.I. DOGS PROGRAM

Service and companion animals for military veterans
775-856-2000, ext. 323

MICROCHIPPING

Ensure safe return of lost pets
775-856-2000, ext. 311

NHS VETERINARY CLINIC

Select medical services for public pets
775-856-2000, ext. 311

PET FOOD ASSISTANCE

Free pet food for pet owners in need
775-856-2000, ext. 302

PET-FRIENDLY HOUSING

Help finding rentals that accept pets
775-856-2000, ext. 200

PETICADE

Lifesaving veterinary assistance for financially distressed pet owners
775-856-2000, ext. 200

PETS ALIVE TOURS

Monthly behind-the-scenes tour of shelter services
775-856-2000, ext. 308



Be Part of the Solution.

Report hoarders at 775-856-2000, ext. 200.

REHOMING ANIMALS

Help to find a new home for your pet
775-856-2000, ext. 200

SENIORS-FOR-SENIORS ADOPTION PROGRAM

Connecting senior pets and senior humans
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Help Save Lives.

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VOLUNTEERING AT NHS

Get involved in helping homeless animals
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WILD HORSES

Resources for wild horse information
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info@nevadahumanesociety.org

WILDLIFE

Contact Animal Resource Center
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info@nevadahumanesociety.org

Coming Up at NHS

AUGUST - OCTOBER



AUGUST

- **August 1-31**
• PetSmart Charities "Primp Your Pit Bull" Blitz Grant (NHS clinic)
- **August 15, 22, 29**
• Adoptions at PetSmart (Mae Anne)
- **August 15, 16, 17, 22, 23, 29, 30, 31**
• Adoptions at PetSmart (S. Virginia)
- **August 16**
• Adoptions at Reno Gay Pride Festival
- **August 16**
• Adoptions at PetSmart (Spanish Springs)
- **August 17, 31**
• Rastro Reno Open-Air Market (Downtown)
- **August 20-September 1**
• TransFURmers Adoption Promotion at NHS



SEPTEMBER

- **September 3-7**
• Feel Uplifted Adoption Promotion at NHS
- **September 5, 6, 7, 12, 13, 14, 19, 20, 21, 26, 27, 28**
• Adoptions at PetSmart (S. Virginia)
- **September 5-7**
• Nevada Humane Society at the Great Reno Balloon Race
- **September 5, 12, 19, 26**
• Adoptions at PetSmart (Mae Anne)
- **September 12**
• Adoptions at Petco (S. Virginia)
- **September 19-21**
• Pirate Pets Adoption Promotion at NHS
- **September 20**
• Adoptions at PetSmart (Spanish Springs)
- **September 23-30**
• Kitty Glitter Adoption Promotion at NHS



OCTOBER

- **October 3-12**
• Life Without You is the Pits Adoption Promotion
- **October 3, 10, 17, 24, 31**
• Adoptions at PetSmart (Mae Anne)
- **October 3, 4, 5, 10, 11, 12, 17, 18, 19, 24, 25, 26, 31**
• Adoptions at PetSmart (S. Virginia)
- **October 10**
• Adoptions at Petco (S. Virginia)
- **October 15-21**
• Certified Pre-Owned Pets Adoption Promotion
- **October 17-19**
• DOGtoberfest Adoption Promotion
- **October 18**
• Adoptions at PetSmart (Spanish Springs)
- **October 24-31**
• Howl-O-Ween Adoption Promotion at NHS
- **October 31**
• Safe Trick-or-Treating at NHS



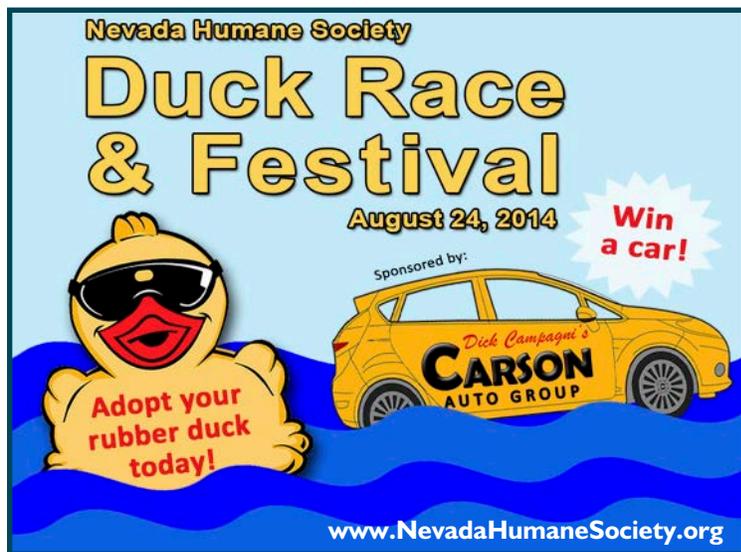
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- **November 15**
• Blue Jeans Ball

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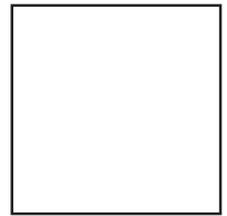


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