

THE SCOOP



The Senior 6 - No Such Thing as A Mid-Life Crisis

MID LIFE CRISIS

Meet the Senior Six

In March of 2020, when the pandemic began to affect us, we assumed we might see a spike in surrenders both from people who were sick and those that may have lost their jobs.

We weren't expecting the increase in surrender of truly senior cats that ultimately came our way. In most cases the owners had passed away, were too senior themselves to care for the cats, had dementia or were going into a nursing home. What a sad situation; taking in cats who had been loved for many years, now thrust into the world of sheltering with its regularly occurring chaos.

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VOLUNTEER SPOTLIGHT **SUSAN + LISA**

Susan and Lisa are just two of our multi-tasking volunteers who care for our animals.

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FEATURE STORY **SUCCESS STORIES**

Because we believe every dog (and the cats too) has its day. Our adoption team has been making some beautiful matches.

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BREAKING NEWS! **THE MEXICATS**

From a little island off the coast of Cancun to Quincy. Our First International Rescues arrive.

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In October, we were contacted by a family member whose uncle had passed leaving 6 cats behind; six sweet souls ages 9 to 14 with varying degrees of medical need.

Sweet Venus left us first; she went into congestive heart failure and was rushed to a vet. Sadly, we were told she wouldn't recover at 14 and to let her go. Elon, 9 years and Zaha, 14 years were not spayed and both had mammary masses. Sadly, Elon spiked a fever and did not recover post op. A vet thought she could help Zaha and took her to spay, remove masses and biopsy. The masses were malignant, but Zaha bounced back like a champ! We

had planned to put her into hospice care when we were connected with a wonderful couple from Wakefield! They adopted her outright, giving her a great home. Aurora, Sam and Kent found wonderful homes even at 14 years!

Some were so sick and compromised that our veterinarians recommended humane euthanasia. Tilly was nearly 20 and at only 4.56 pounds, she was very frail. Lab work showed she had raging, untreated hyperthyroidism that was now affecting her other organs and our vet recommended we let her go. The same was true of Baby; who at 20 had left the only home she had ever known and was

ill. At least they didn't suffer! The common thread here is medical need and that is very expensive! These cats, while seniors, still deserved to be loved and cared for. Some needed dentals, others needed medication to treat conditions like hyperthyroidism. This is where our Mickey Fund comes in. This fund is used to treat above and beyond medical conditions. In 2019 we spent more than \$20,000 from that fund and we have been trying to catch up ever since. If you believe that animals, regardless of age, deserve a chance, please make a donation to the Mickey Fund! We assure you, all funds will go to treat animals in need.

ANNOUNCEMENT

THE KITTENS ARE COMING - AGAIN!



The kittens are coming, again. In April or May, we will start to get the first phone calls. "Do you have any kittens?" Or "my cat just had kittens can you come get them? There is a mom and kittens living under the porch!" It is the same story every year. And every year we are ready to help. We are the purrfect matchmakers. We have been doing Kitten Season

for 21 years now and we have a great plan in place thanks to our Foster, Medical and Adoption teams all working together to find these adorable kittens wonderful homes. Kitten Season is our busiest time of the year and it can last straight into October. We do adopt out a lot of kittens every year with the hope that they will be happy and loved for the

rest of their lives. Kittens are cute and they invite impulse shopping; but kittens will become cats. This is why our adoption team carefully reviews all of the applications and makes sure that our adopters are truly ready for a lifelong commitment.

Our adoption fee is \$250.00 for kittens younger than 6 months. The price of spay / neuter, vaccines, microchips and testing for Feline Leukemia and FIV is high. If you were to get a free kitten and provide all necessary veterinary care, you would likely pay upwards of \$500.00 - \$700.00. There is no question that adoption is a much better deal! We also encourage adopting a pair of kittens if there are no other animals in the home.

There is no question that adopting a kitten is awesome. Kittens are fun but they require attention and veterinary care after they leave the shelter to insure that they are fully vaccinated against disease. Still think you're ready to add a kitten to your family? We hope so! You can reach out to kittens@quincyanimalshelter.org to get started.

MEET THE MANAGER

DONNA KNAUBER

Donna Knauber, our amazing Foster Manager, is gearing up for another kitten season. This involves a lot of work in preparing both fosters and procuring a lot of supplies. Fortunately Donna has a lot of experience working under pressure. She is a single mom raising four children, and she works with young children at a local preschool.

Donna joined QAS in 2015 as a foster care provider. It wasn't long before we knew she was the right person to take over! Donna is intelligent, organized and personable with a big smile and an even bigger heart! Foster homes allow us to help more cats and kittens. All pregnant moms and kittens are placed into foster homes. It is important for the health of the kittens that moms have a safe and quiet place to give birth. Also,

young kittens need to be socialized at a very young age. Studies show that the earlier kittens are socialized with people and the noises of a home, the better they will adapt to living with people. Most importantly, it helps the cats to not be afraid and builds confidence.

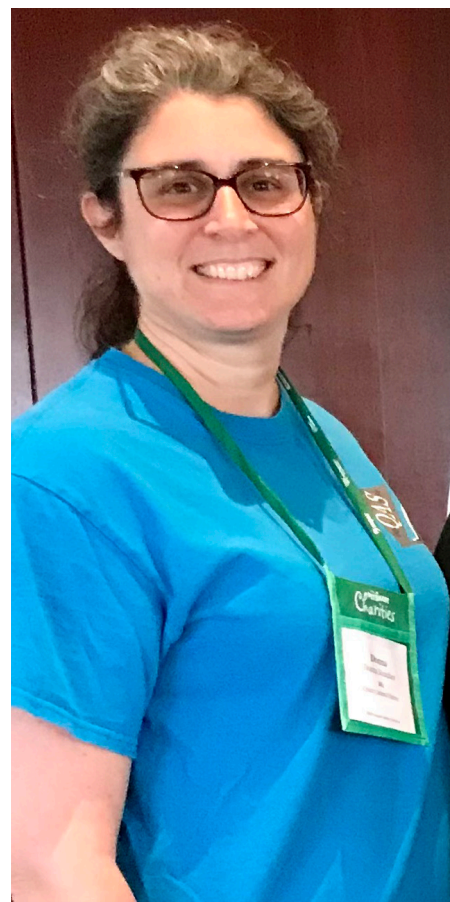
In an average year, QAS handles about 150 kittens, and each season brings at least one unique medical challenge! In 2019, Hepburn and 3 littermates were born to ZsaZsa. Donna was the foster herself and soon noticed things were off with little Hepburn. She was diagnosed with Cerebellar Hypoplasia (CH). CH is a neurological condition, commonly known as the Wobbly Cat Syndrome, which affects a cat's ability to stand up or walk without falling. She required a lot of special

care and was finally adopted into the perfect family at 5 months. Although kittens take up a good part of Donna's time, her team also takes care of many adult cats each year who need to be fostered for various reasons such as health or socialization. We are always looking for fosters who are interested in providing hospice care for cats as well as socializing some of our shyer ones. Donna also is grateful for the true kindness and compassion shown over and over again by long time foster mom Anne Marie Craman who provides hospice care for our cats when needed.

QAS is grateful to Donna for her commitment to the kittens and cats needing foster: we could not do it without her and her team.



Foster Manager, Donna Knauber



FUN-RAISING

THE 2ND ANNUAL PARADE OF PUPPIES AT VICTORY POINT MARINA BAY

So where else can you find adorable pups like Luna, Lola, Ruby from Aruba, Maddie and Brady just chill-in? Victory Point Marina Bay or course! Once again the pups and their people gathered together for the 2nd Annual Parade of Puppies; a family friendly event organized by Kerry Byrne of KJB Trending and Donato Frattaroli of Victory Point Restaurant. The beautiful Marina Bay boardwalk was covered with snow and the pups loved it! Just like last year, money was raised for Quincy Animal Shelter through raffle ticket sales.

The highlight of the event was crowning the 2021 Puppy of the Year. Never an easy decision as the cuteness factor was super high! Adorable Bubbaloo, who is the grand puppy of Donato, was chosen. A water fountain will be placed on the boardwalk in honor of this gorgeous puppy.

We are grateful to everyone who came to support the shelter and of course to The Frattaroli Family and Kerry Byrne for putting this together again. We look forward to this event in 2022!



Puppy Parade 2021



A little snow didn't stop the Puppy Parade



Elizabeth and friends staying warm



Puppy of the Year, Bubbaloo

VOLUNTEER SPOTLIGHT

ELISSA DONNELLY, ADOPTION REPRESENTATIVE

Elissa started volunteering at QAS in January of 2018. "I retired from the post office after 30 years of carrying mail. I started as a dog walker, then I got cross trained in cat care. I then started being a greeter on Saturdays; since Covid, I've been doing adoptions." Elissa is one of those volunteers who just jumped right in and has really made a difference here at the shelter. She is so devoted to making sure our animals get the very best homes. The adoption team was really busy due to Covid and Elissa really stepped up. "It's been what has kept me sane throughout the last year and a half, even though

the shelter is far from being a sane place!" Elissa has also volunteered at many of our fundraising events like Yappy Hour.



Adoption Rep Lisa Donnelly



Lisa



ASK HAILEY

**Hailey is a fun loving Chihuahua rescued from QAS many years ago, she helps other pets navigate the challenges of living with human beings.*

Dear Hailey,

Like all cats, 2020 was a tough year. Dealing with the new normal and having our humans around all freaking day. So my older brother Bosco crossed the rainbow bridge. He was older than me and I did love him even though I'd never tell him. (I sort of regret that). I miss him and was Ok with being the only one. I need to mourn a little. But then my humans felt that I needed a new sister. They thought I was lonely. I was not lonely at all. Why do humans think they can read our minds? We are cats. Everything we do means the opposite! Long story short I am sitting in my sunny south facing window when I see the box cross the threshold. There are my humans talking baby talk to this little puff ball they are calling Twinkie! I've been hissing at it a lot. A kitten is in my house. I need immediate therapy. This will never work. She will never replace Bosco.

Signed,
Helpless and Hopeless in Hull

see Hailey's reply on pg.15

VOLUNTEER SPOTLIGHT

SUSAN SVELNIS, FOSTER CAREGIVER

I have been volunteering at QAS since 2013. I started as a dog walker, and recently began doing cat care. I also foster cats and kittens which has become my favorite job.

My first foster experience was with Big Boy (now called Danny Boy), one of the 12 Doodles that were seized and brought to QAS in 2014. And I am happy to say I foster failed. I just couldn't give him up. Now I stick to fostering cats but I still struggle saying goodbye until I know they are comfortable in their new homes.

The animals are definitely what I like the most about volunteering here. It is such an emotional boost to be around them. A close second though is the people. I have developed so many great friendships and I have learned so much since volunteering here.

Editor's note: Susan is also the creator of our beautiful new QAS Thank You cards!



Susan with Necco and Taffy



ANNOUNCEMENT

FOSTER FAMILIES ALWAYS NEEDED!

While this time of year the focus is on kittens, we also provide foster care for adult cats and dogs who might need help with socialization or recovering from a medical condition. We also provide Hospice care for animals that are sick and simply need a place to live out their days in a caring environment. Will you help the foster team? If you are thinking of becoming a foster, reach out to Donna at catfostercare@QuincyAnimalShelter.org.



MEMBERSHIP & DONATION FORM

Support the Quincy Animal Shelter and you will be saving the lives of hundreds of dogs and cats. Each year, QAS rescues, rehabilitates, and finds loving homes for unwanted animals, saving many from a life on the streets and an uncertain future.

All proceeds go towards animal care and operation of Quincy Animal Shelter. Your donation is tax deductible.

Annual Memberships

As a member, you will receive QAS' periodic newsletter to keep you informed of QAS happenings and be invited to our annual meetings.

Individual, \$25

Senior (60+), \$15

Family, \$50

Donations (Non-membership)

Quincy Animal Shelter thanks you for donations of any amount.

Non-membership donation amount

\$ _____

The Mickey Medical Fund
for extraordinary medical care

\$ _____

Wesley's Wish Feral Cat Fund
for the care of feral cats

\$ _____

Your information

If you've moved or changed your address, you can use this form to update us.

Total amount enclosed: \$ _____

Your name _____

Company (if applicable) _____

Address _____

City _____

State _____

Zip code _____

Email _____

Phone number _____

☐ I want to remain anonymous

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- Please make your check payable to:
Quincy Animal Shelter
- Mail the check along with this form to:
Quincy Animal Shelter
P.O. Box 690088
Quincy, MA 02269

DID YOU KNOW?

Your company may match your donation

If your company has a Matching Gift Program, your gift could be doubled, and twice as many animals could benefit! The match could be based on your monetary donation or the volunteer hours you serve.

Please check with your company's Human Resources department. If they'll match your charitable donations or volunteer hours, ask for a form and mail it to us at:

Quincy Animal Shelter
ATTN: Matching Gift Program
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Quincy, 02269-0088

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GUARDIAN ANGEL SPONSORSHIP & TRIBUTE GIFT FORM

Quincy Animal Shelter offers multiple ways to make a donation in honor of your loved ones. Our Guardian Angel Cage & Kennel Sponsorships are available for 3, 6, or 12 months. It can be dedicated to a family member, friend, or pet. You may also make a Tribute Gift in someone's name.

All proceeds go towards animal care and operation of Quincy Animal Shelter. Your donation is tax deductible.

Guardian Angel Cage & Kennel Sponsorships

A Guardian Angel card will be placed on a cage or kennel indicating your support. We can also include a photo that you provide!

1. Where would you like it to be placed on?

Cat cage

Dog kennel

2. How long would you like?

12 months
\$300

6 months
\$150

3 months
\$75

3. Name & message to display on the card?



Card example

Name

Message

Photo included

Tribute Gift

1. I would love to donate \$ _____

In memory of

In honor of

Name

2. If you want us to notify them of this donation, please provide their physical address or email.

Name

Email

Address

Your information

If you've moved or changed your address, you can use this form to update us.

Total amount enclosed: \$ _____

Your name

Company (if applicable)

Address

City

State

Zip code

Email

Phone number

I want to remain anonymous

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SUCCESS STORIES

NECCO AND TAFFY - A HAPPY ENDING

*Necco, Taffy and Mom*

Do you ever wonder what it means when QAS states we are a no kill shelter? I did when I began volunteering here in 2013. There have been times when sick dog or cat was assisted in crossing the rainbow bridge to save them from unnecessary suffering. I had cared for many of them and knew it was the best choice. Many have been placed with hospice fosters to live out their days being loved.

I now know it means we treat our pets the same way we would if they were our own. I have been fostering

cats for a few years now. Some were adult cats needing special care as they recovered from surgery or an illness and some were kittens who had been separated from their mother. In all cases I saw them get the best veterinary care possible. Last October I took in a pregnant cat who delivered three kittens, one was stillborn. The other two, Taffy and Necco, grew so fast they were over a pound each in only two weeks. I thought these had to be the healthiest kittens ever. Boy was I wrong!

At three weeks I noticed Taffy had lost weight and was lethargic. An appointment was made for them to see a Vet. They felt they should all be checked though only Taffy seemed to be ill. He had an extremely high fever and they began testing for any probable ailments. In the meantime, he had to be given subcutaneous fluids twice a day and was put onto several medicines.

There was no improvement and a week later Necco got sick. I had no idea how much money QAS was willing to spend on these two young kittens; we didn't know what was wrong with them or if they could be saved.

I probably wouldn't be writing this story if there wasn't a happy ending. After at least 6 vet visits, weeks of subcutaneous fluids, a blood transfusion for both Necco and Taffy, and several rounds of medication; both kittens started thriving! We kept them extra-long in foster to be sure there would be no relapse and now they have been adopted by a wonderful family.

I do not know the cost to QAS for getting these kittens healthy and adopted, but now I really know what it means to say we are a no kill shelter. Not all stories have a happy ending, but I can be sure that the animals' best interests are put first. And I hope you will now have a better understanding of QAS' commitment to the animals. Thank you for your donations and your part in saving Taffy and Necco!

Submit Your Success Story! Did you adopt from QAS? If so, please tell us your success story! Don't forget to attach photos! Send your story to qasthescoop@gmail.com

WISH LIST

All brands and sizes are welcome, otherwise noted.

- ☐ Any brand of dry cat food for our feral pantry (open bags ok!)
- ☐ Stewart Pro-Treat – The Original Freeze Dried Training Treat
- ☐ Fancy Feast Adult Cat – for our Shelter Residents
- ☐ Cat Toys
- ☐ Paper Towels
- ☐ Bleach
- ☐ Any HE brand laundry detergent (must be High Efficiency)
- ☐ “Yesterday’s News” Cat Litter
- ☐ Interactive dog toys like Buster Cubes and balls (no tennis), unbreakoballs, Chuckit! Balls
- ☐ NEW Plastic litter boxes and NEW plastic litter scoops with tags and stickers (litter boxes cannot be used)
- ☐ Postage stamps
- ☐ Gift cards to grocery stores
- ☐ Jolly Ball dog toys, Boomer Ball dog toys
- ☐ Kong Dog Toy – Medium and Large
- ☐ Plush Squeaky Toys for dogs or cats
- ☐ Wisdom or Embark DNA testing kits.

ANNOUNCEMENT

A VERY SPECIAL GIRL - CARLY NEEDS YOU NOW!

There is a lid for every pot as the saying goes and that is what we are hoping for with our Little Carly. This dog is cute. But she has some medical baggage that might not be suitable for everyone. We just say enough about this sweet girl. She is still being evaluated and is not yet cleared for adoption. At this point we are pretty sure that she might always have to wear a diaper when she is in the house. She takes a minute to warm up to you and then she is a great cuddler. She will love you like

nobody else, takes treats very gentle and is always so happy to see you. At times she can be a little protective and has been known to snap so we suggest an experienced dog owner in a calm house with no young children. Just because she is cute and small doesn't mean she should be allowed to misbehave. She has really stolen the hearts so many at QAS so we want to give her every chance at living her best life. If you want more details please contact us at k9@quincyanimalshelter.org



Carly Ready to Go Home

SUCCESS STORIES

MAY EVERY DOG HAVE THEIR DAY



QAS Alumni Cali

We sent many lucky pups home to already this year. Thank you to all of the families who opened their homes and heart to these cuties. And thank you to our canine and adoptions teams for making all of these fantastic matches!

My partner and I officially adopted Sassy, who we have renamed Cali, last Saturday. I have to admit, the first couple of days of foster were stressful because neither of us have had a puppy in a very longtime and we wondered if we made the right decision. But as each day goes by Cali becomes more comfortable in her new home. After about 2 weeks she makes it through the night without the 2 am wakeup call. She is so happy when she wakes up. She has the best tail and body wiggle. She loves all her toys and loves to play with them. We are working on her basic training and had a great session with Maura from Clear Skies Dog Training. She does have her little devil moments and I have to remind myself she is still very much a puppy. We are hoping to get Cali into daycare a couple of days a week to help with her socialization and to burn off some of her energy (boy

does she have a lot of energy!). Right now we take her for a couple of walks a day and play sessions in the back yard.

She really is the sweetest little girl! I've attached some picture so you all can see how she is settling in. I really want to thank Lisa Donnelly for all her help with the adoption!

Thank you, Deb.S.



Lassie knows all about love in her house!



Dora off to live the dream on the Cape



Sadie goes home too!



Maggie's new family

BREAKING NEWS!

WELCOME THE MEXICATS

On March 4th we took in nine cats as a result of our partnering with several shelters and a group called HALO, "Helping Animals Living Overseas" who brought 39 cats and several dogs to the Boston area. Originally from Isla de Mujeres off the coast of Cancun, Mexico these cats range in age from 5 months to 5 years. They are very friendly and most are already spoken for! Polito has had an eye removed, Soggy has a heart murmur and Felix needs a dental,

which we will take care of. They came to us already spayed and neutered, combo tested and had their initial vaccines. These cats were found in the streets or given up by owners and the chances of them finding homes was bleak. It has been a wonderful experience to be a part of this rescue effort! We are so happy that we are able to be involved in finding homes and happiness!



The Mexicats are here!



Felix



Polito



Soggy

SO WHAT'S THE DEAL WITH STRAY ANIMALS?

In Massachusetts, stray dogs are required to be held for 7 days. The dogs are typically held by local Animal Control departments. Once the 7 days has passed the dog can be made available for adoption. However, there is no "stray holding period" law for any other animals, including cats.

If your pet goes missing it is very important that you act fast and contact all areas shelters. Use social media to spread the word fast. And remember a microchip helps return pets to owners. Made sure you information is always up to date.

QAS abides by all applicable laws regarding stray animals.



Doggy jail is safer than roaming the streets

WHY WE DO WHAT WE DO!

Hello Joann,

Thank you very much for your sweet card letting me know you received my recent donation the QAS customized cards are gorgeous I love the picture of Peppermint Patty and KitKat the card now sits on the corkboard in my home office and brings me coffee break smiles. Most importantly I want to make sure that QAS is still receiving the matching from funds from my employer I work for McKesson. I have been supporting QAS for a very long time and Peg O'Brien has been kind and reaching out to me over the years trying to keep all my names and addresses and states.

QAS is very important to me. You brought my first for a baby into my life Babygirl (formally Lottie) I believe I adopted her from QAS back in 2003 and we had 14 absolutely amazing years together we lived in Boston, Connecticut, California, Florida and South Carolina together. I dragged her butt all over creation forced her to live with so many roommates other cats and dogs and two different husbands!!

But she put up with it all with a knowing smile every day and brought me more love and happiness than I could ever explain and I know so many hundreds or I guess even thousands of families QAS families

have similar stories to mine. I want you to know that the work that you do is so powerful and vitally important and you are appreciated thank you thank you thank you for saving as many animals as you can. I will support you as best I can every year. Your work is what life is all about trying to make the world better than you found it.

Thank you again from both me and Babygirl.

With much love, Jennifer Gwynn

P.S. New donation included here XOXO!

KIDS THAT CARE

CRONIN FAMILY TO THE RESCUE!

After hearing that the feral cat team needed some additional houses for the cats to be protected over the winter, long time QAS volunteer, Stacy Rotondo-Cronin asked if we could get her building plans.

It wasn't long before she let us know that 2 of her sons, Colby 17 and Lucas 14 were on it! Soon after, 6 new houses were delivered to Quincy Animal Shelter! Colby and Lucas: A million thanks!

These new houses really make a difference in the lives of feral cats!



Colby, 17 and Lucas, 14 help our feral cats



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From November 2020 - February 2021

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Your responses to our plea for replenishing our Medical Fund.

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We apologize if we inadvertently failed to include your tribute or misspelled any name. We are very careful to ensure the privacy of our donors. We do not share or sell names to a second party. We also do not list anyone who requests to remain anonymous. Please let us know if you do not want your name to be listed. We receive donations through company plans, and they do not designate your preference. We are always most happy to acknowledge our donors.



ABOUT US

About Quincy Animal Shelter and Our Mission Statement

The Quincy Animal Shelter is primarily a volunteer-run organization. The Shelter relies completely on our volunteers and the community for support. Incorporated in November 1999 as a non-profit Massachusetts charity, we are also a recognized charity under Section 501(c) (3) of the Internal Revenue Service code. Since 1999, the Quincy Animal Shelter has placed more than 7,500 cats and dogs into loving homes throughout New England. We are committed to finding the right home for every adoptable animal in our care. Every animal receives age-appropriate vaccinations, is spayed or neutered and micro-chipped before being placed in its forever home. Delivering this type of care involves many volunteers, an active and dedicated management, and a lot of money. Our annual budget runs approximately \$250,000 in order to provide services to the animals in our care and serve the continuous needs of our growing community.

Our mission is to advocate for companion animals by providing safety until home placement of those in our care, to promote spay and neuter programs as a means to control pet overpopulation and to be the leading community resource for education on proper animal welfare.

KITTEN WISH LIST

Caring for more than 150 kittens and their moms can be very expensive. They can come to us with special needs so it is important that are well stocked to care for them.

- ☐ Kitten Attract litter (specific litter)
- ☐ Kitten Formula Liquid and powder such as KMR
- ☐ Royal Canin Mother and Baby Cat food (wet and dry)
- ☐ Pedialyte (No Flavor-Unflavored)
- ☐ Nail Trimmers
- ☐ Thermometers (specific animal ones if possible)
- ☐ KY Jelly
- ☐ Beech Nut Stage 1 (Turkey & Broth ONLY) (Chicken & Broth ONLY)
- ☐ Non Clumping Cat Litter-UNSCENTED
- ☐ Kitten Toys

QAS NEWS

HELP WANTED

Have you heard the expression may paws make light work? Maybe not but it is true.

We need you if have time to help us with data entry. We need one or two volunteers to help us enter medical information into our Pet Point system. Experience with veterinary terms, reading vet records and data entry is preferred. If you can volunteer for 2-4 hours a week please email us today at volunteer@quincyanimalshelter.org

RELOCATION UPDATE

As we mentioned in our last issue, we will be relocating to a new temporary location while a brand new shelter is being constructed. The timeline has changed a bit. It looks like we will be staying at 56 Broad Street until November 2021. The new shelter should be ready for occupancy sometime in 2023. The City of Quincy will be getting the shelter it truly deserves! We can't wait.

COVID 19 UPDATE

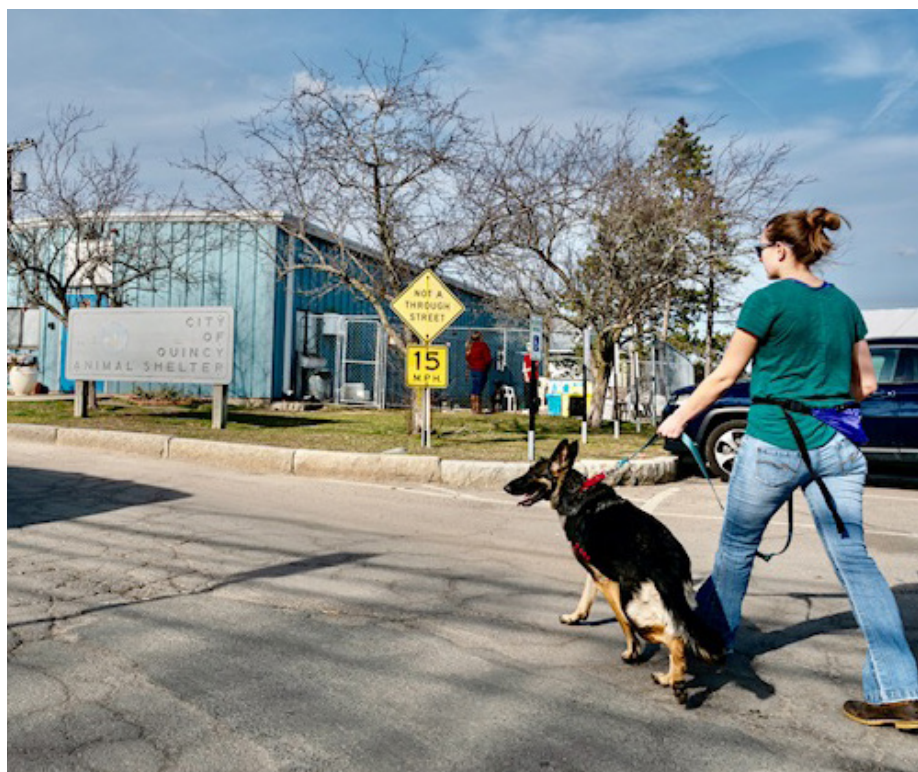
As the state lifts some restrictions on how businesses can operate safely QAS will be open by appointment only. Please check out our website for additional updates. We look forward to seeing everyone again soon.

OUR ADOPTION HOURS

During Covid-19, adoptions are by appointment only.

56 Broad Street, Quincy, MA 02169

Please note: animal surrenders are by appointment only.



Walking a pup!

IN MEMORY OF ROCKY

This Edition of the Scoop is Dedicated to Our Little Rocky and the Family that loved him to the end.

"I wanted to let you guys know that we said goodbye to Rocky last night. He passed away peacefully in our arms and surrounded by the family who loved him the most. Rocky was loved by everyone who met him. We met so many new people, even during covid, because of Rocky; people who loved to see him trotting around the yard, soaking up the sun while being pulled in his wagon and chilling in his backpack hiking up blue hills. He was such a special guy and we loved every moment with him. I'm grateful that, as bad as 2020 was, being home allowed us to spend that much more time with him.

Thank you so much for being the first to see how special he was and for giving him the love he needed and deserved. Thank you even more for allowing us to share his last golden year with him. We did our best to give him everything he could ever want. He ended up being a very spoiled boy :) We rest easy knowing that for the last year of his life he never went a day without a loving

touch, a warm bed and a full belly. Thank you again for everything that you do and we wish you all the best. Once the grief has passed and we feel ready to open our hearts again I'm sure you'll be hearing from us.

Love,
Charlotte and Tyler"

Rocky was a volunteer favorite too. May you rest in peace. Rocky.



BFFs Rocky and Foxy

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Got QAS Wear?

Yes we do and you can get your paws on some by calling us at 617-376-1349 or email us. Tell us what you want and will make arrangements for you to pick it up!



Dear Helpless,

Yes, Kittens are annoying at first. They want to play all day and steal the toys that you do not even want to play with. The humans will act ridiculous around her. But in the end you have a new sister and you a cat. You can manipulate this situation any way you want. The good news is more toys, more food for both or you. Just don't be a jerk snuggle up to Twinkie and you will both win in the end. Sounds like your humans really care about you. You are right no one can replace Bosco and no one will ever replace you either.

Best of Luck!
Hailey

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