

THE SCOOP



WE ARE 25!

This year we will be celebrating another birthday; it is hard to believe we will be 25 years old. We hate to brag, but it is quite an accomplishment!

In 1999, animal welfare existed, but it was still emerging, and the no kill shelter movement was starting to gain traction in some parts of the country.

In 2024, animal welfare is a hot topic. Transport, rescues, fostering, "Adopt Don't Shop," advances in veterinary care, humane education, celebrity advocates, community outreach and tougher animal abuse laws are all positive indicators of progress. So why are animals still being euthanized every day in this country and at an alarming rate? It is not just dogs and cats, but also guinea pigs, hamsters, and farm animals all looking for a home which they

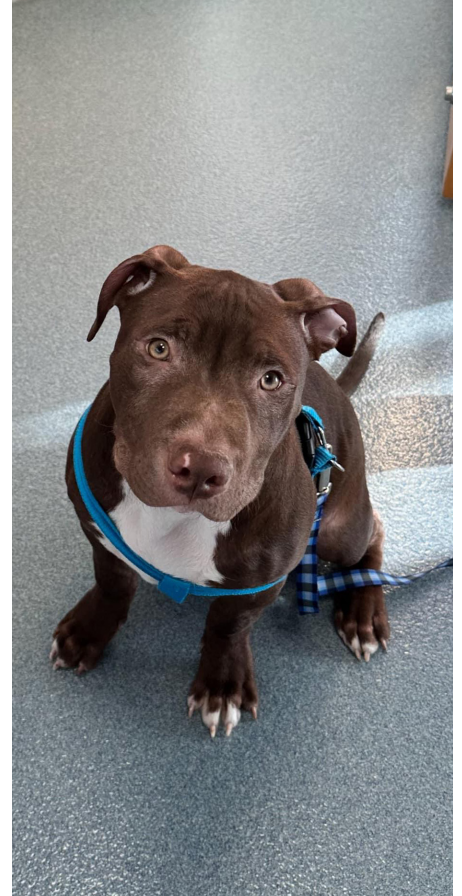
all deserve. There must be a way to control the pet population; there must be a better way!

And while we know that you cannot realistically save them all, you can certainly try! We will continue to work towards our goal of making the City of Quincy a safe place for animals, even if it takes another 25 years!

We are very proud of our accomplishments over the last 25 years; the animals that we have helped and the members of the community that we have served. We could never have accomplished this without our army of devoted volunteers and people like you who have supported us throughout the good times and bad.

We cannot thank you enough for your continued support.

With extreme gratitude,
Sandra Sines



Jackson



Bruno



Peeta is looking for you

SAVE THE DATES

We're Ready to Party!

Our 25th year is loaded with excitement so save the dates and don't miss out!



June:

Cheer us on at the **Annual Flag Day Parade**. Alumni welcome.

October:

October 12th - Our **2nd Braintree Beer Garden Takeover**

October 21st - We are super excited to announce our premier event; **The Quincy Animal Shelter Charity Golf Tournament** at Granite Links Golf Course. This event holds particular significance as we celebrate our 25th anniversary and as we move closer to the opening of our new shelter on Quarry St. There are many ways that you can help us make this event a success. Become a sponsor, join us for a round of golf and party at the 19th hole where you will have fine food, beverages, and

exciting raffle prizes. See our website for more information.

Date TBA - October **Howl-O-Ween Costume Contest** and fun at Break Rock Brewing.

November:

November 23rd - Our annual **Fall Craft Fair** at the Kennedy Center.

November & December - **Kilroy Square Holiday Market**

December:

December 1st - **Quincy's Christmas Parade** - Our First Float!

December 14th - **Holiday Open House at QAS**

SINGLE KITTEN SYNDROME

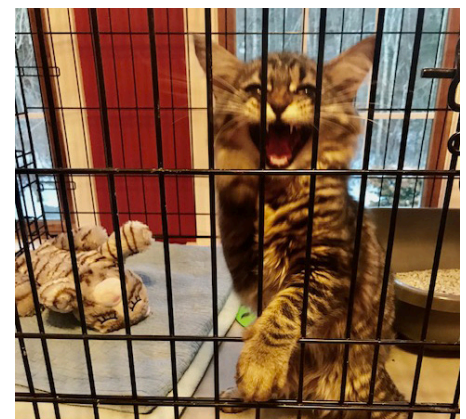
Why 2 Kittens Are Better Than 1

QAS does not have a policy requiring 2 kittens to be adopted together like many shelters, but we do encourage it and here is why.

Sometimes solo kittens will be returned because they start developing destructive habits - such as scratching furniture and biting human family members. Kittens bite and wrestle with one another-this behavior is normal. They need to burn off energy. In the absence of having a littermate or companion their own age to play with, a single kitten will want to bite and play-wrestle with their humans. That will get old, and you do not want a biting

kitten to turn into a biting cat. Pairs of kittens can understand cues from each other - in many ways, your pets will train each other. Adopting two kittens at the same time can make your life easier. They will entertain and exercise each other while you are at work. It is easier to train two kittens at the same time. Both kittens are likely to enjoy the same food, use the same type of litter, and play with the same toys. We suggest that everyone consider adopting a pair of kittens. They do not need to be from the same litter but that usually works out very well. If you already have a cat at home, then we encourage safe introductions and patience so they

can form a successful bond. Kitten season is just around the corner so consider adopting an instant family! (Partial Credit: Just One More Kitty)



PETS FOR PATRIOTS



“Every day, 20 veterans take their own lives; every eight seconds a cat or dog is put to death because it does not have a home. Pet adoption can save two lives” (petsforpatriots.org)

We are proud of our relationship with Pets for Patriots. The vision of P4P is to put an adopted pet in the home of every veteran who needs one. By working with animal shelters, Pets for Patriots helps United States military veterans adopt a new pet while

giving the most overlooked shelter animals loving homes. They focus on animals that might be euthanized or ones that have been in a shelter for a long time.

Pets for Patriots partners with veterans, 237 animal shelters, 116 veterinarians and 898 pet care centers across the country. Veterans who adopt will receive a range of benefits to reduce the lifetime cost of having a pet. In 2023, 286 dogs and 80 cats were adopted

by US military veterans through this program. Additionally, they provide hardship support so that veterans can keep their own animals at home. There is a significant amount of information on their website detailing how it works, pet criteria, the benefits, and how to apply for services. If you are a U.S. military veteran or know someone who would benefit from this program, please direct them to www.petsforpatriots.org for more information.

FERAL CAT TEAM HELPS GIVE MOJO A HAPPY ENDING

In Spring of 2023, I started seeing a skinny tuxedo cat lurking around my ground floor porch. I was alerted to him by my cat Tica, who howled and scratched at the glass slide door whenever he stopped by at night. I would get out of bed and watch while they peered warily at each other through the glass and started leaving dry food out since I assumed he was a feral cat who was hungry and scrounging for food. He devoured the food but wouldn't come near me, so I decided to just feed him and let him live his life. I had fed a few feral cats before but they eventually stopped coming—I assumed they hadn't survived the winter or been killed through illness or a car. I never thought about trapping them.

One night I brought food out but stayed on the porch and called to him in a gentle voice. He approached cautiously, sniffed my hand but ran away. I did this the next few nights until he let me pet his shiny dark head. Obviously, he wasn't feral, just lost or abandoned. Little by little, he started to trust me, allowed longer pets and would sprawl out on the porch to hang out with me while Tica watched from inside. Eventually

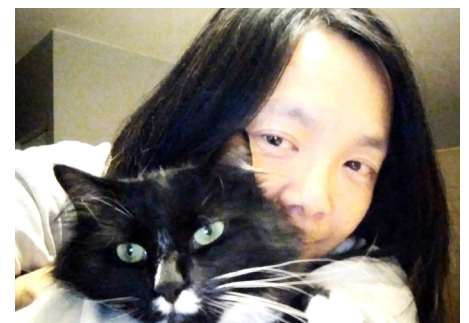
she came outside and they sniffed, she hissed and the gentlemanly guy backed off. I started calling him Mojo.

Mojo got comfortable enough to snatch treats out of my hand and started visiting more frequently. He came inside a few times to check the place out but Tica made clear this was her territory. He respected her wishes and the last time he was inside, in a rare lapse from good manners, sprayed the television stand and left. He needs neutering, I thought, and a real home, but I was leery about trying to get him in a carrier. I couldn't keep him but knew I must get this smart, sweet, handsome guy off the streets into a forever home where he never had to worry about where his next meal was coming from.

I contacted QAS Feral Program Manager Jodie Bouma and was put in touch with Roxanne Murphy, a QAS volunteer who traps stray cats and helps others trap cats. She showed me how to use the trap and little by little each night Mojo crept in a bit farther to get his food. One hot summer night I heard Tica making a commotion when Mojo arrived and this time the cage snapped shut with him inside. It broke my heart to see him scared and confused, but I knew this was best for him. I brought him into the shelter, where he was neutered and received his

shots. He was nervous and mostly stayed in back of the cage even though I visited him, so I worried he wouldn't find a home. But a woman on my QAS volunteer shift, Annie Louie, saw the potential in sad, scared Mojo and took him home to foster him. His good manners and quiet charm won her over, her devotion and love won him over and she adopted him. Mojo got the happy ending he deserved!

Please don't assume you can't do anything to help stray cats. Many are lost and frightened, and many who seem feral can become wonderful companions with patience, understanding and love. There are so many dangers to living outside for these poor creatures. I want to give a shout out to the QAS Feral Team for their wonderful work and unwavering dedication to these cats who are often ignored and forgotten. This happy ending is just one of the many happy endings they have made possible!



VOLUNTEER SPOTLIGHT

CAITLIN RUSK



Caitlin Rusk

I first learned about QAS when searching for volunteer opportunities in the Quincy area after moving here from Brighton and started as a cat care volunteer in July of 2023. I had previously volunteered at a cat shelter in Brighton as well, but the most gratifying part of my experience at QAS has been getting to know other volunteers. Originally from Kansas, I moved to Boston for school in 2016

and currently work as a financial aid administrator at Northeastern University.

In January of 2024, I adopted my very own cat Winifred (Winnie) from QAS! In my free time when I am not at QAS, I love exploring the city, taking long walks outdoors, and taking care of my many houseplants.

BILL ROGERS



Bill Rogers

I am a dog walker, a member of the adoption team, and the shelter cleaning team. I began volunteering at QAS in February 2022. My daughter was a kitten foster for a number of years and we would go to her house to help socialize them. I had been contributing to QAS so I thought I would be more productive if I became a volunteer. I enjoy every shift with the dogs because as much as I can teach them.....I learn some things from them. Whenever we get new dogs in. I always try to spend

time with them. It is our job to make these dogs adoptable so they can find a loving home.

I live in Braintree with my wife and my younger daughter and her family. I am retired from the Army. We have three cats that were from the last litter fostered by my daughter. They are now four years old. I spend four mornings a week at the gym and I am a member of several veterans groups and am involved in fund raising and building awareness to the tragedy of veteran's suicides.



Our Fabulous Canine Team

SUCCESS STORIES

CALLING ALL ADOPTERS!

Do you want to be a part of our 25th anniversary Furry Flashbacks? Show us your QAS alumni. We love to see how it all turned out!



Scrappy fits in perfectly with his new mom and dad.



Walker now Zeke hanging with his new bro Hubert.



Macchiato is now Mack.



Smokey and Wolfie, our 2 older adult room ladies got adopted by the woman who adopted our other adult room residents, Blue & Bruin. Unfortunately, Bruin passed away, so she came in and fell in love with Smokey and Wolfie. Happy to see them all in one room! It is a process she says, she thinks that Wolfie and Angus (Blue) will be cuddling in no time!

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

SUCCESS STORIES CONTINUED



Ice Ice Baby

Ice was found by a neighbor who said she was abandoned; she called the police who brought her into us. She was tiny, fractured teeth, live fleas, weepy eyes, and quite lethargic. After 6 weeks, she was healthy enough to be adopted by a woman who just put her beloved cat down. Renamed Lola, she is now living her best life!



Edgar and Poe, Happy Together!

In August we took in 3 4-week-old kittens from a Quincy resident whose cat had had kittens, and she could not afford to keep them but wanted to keep the momma cat. We took the kittens, spayed the momma, and sent her home. We named the kittens Edgar, Allen & Poe. We adopted Edgar & Poe to a lovely family who say they are a joy and it is nonstop...playtime!



Moose & Santa

Moose telling Santa his wish list.

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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

INSTRUCTION

1. Please make your check payable to:
Quincy Animal Shelter
2. 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
PO Box 690088
Quincy, 02269-0088

We are so very grateful when we receive your donations. Your contribution help us to give the care that our special residents need 24/7, 365 days a year.

Quincy Animal Shelter is a public charity classified as exempt under section 501(c)(3) of the Internal Revenue Code. Our tax ID number is 31-1703439. Questions? Call us at: 617-376-1349.

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 _____

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CHARITY GOLF TOURNAMENT

TOURNAMENT SPONSORSHIP



Dear Esteemed Sponsor,

It is with great pleasure that we extend an invitation to you for the upcoming Quincy Animal Shelter Charity Golf Tournament, scheduled for October 21, 2024. This event holds particular significance as we celebrate the 25th anniversary of Quincy Animal Shelter, and your participation would contribute significantly to its success.

Established as a 501(c)(3) charitable organization in November 1999, Quincy Animal Shelter has been a beacon of compassion, providing food, shelter, medical care, and love to over 10,000 cats and dogs, ultimately uniting them with caring families. Our commitment extends beyond our four-legged friends, encompassing outreach programs to assist people in need with their pets.

As we gear up for this momentous occasion, we invite you to consider sponsoring the Quincy Animal Shelter Charity Golf Tournament. Your generous support will not only make this fundraising event a triumph but also empower Quincy Animal Shelter to continue its invaluable work for animals and the community.

Sincerely,

Blake Hopkins
Golf Tournament Committee
golf@quincyanimalshelter.org
www.quincyanimalshelter.org
Shelter: 617-376-1349

SPONSORSHIP OPPORTUNITIES & BENEFITS

Gold Paw

- One (1) foursome entries into the tournament.
- Announced as a Gold Paw Sponsor during the event dinner.
- Dedicated screen during AV recognition.
- Lead mention in advertising in the QAS quarterly Scoop newsletter, event website, and social media (including a link to your webpage).
- ½ page ad in the program booklet.
- Tee box business signage.
- Sponsor flyer included in the goody bag.

\$3000

Silver Paw

- Two entrants into the tournament.
- Recognized as a Silver Paw Sponsor at the event dinner.
- Name featured in the QAS quarterly Scoop newsletter, event website, and social media (including a link to your webpage).
- ¼ page ad in the program booklet.
- Tee box business signage.

\$2000

Bronze Paw

- One (1) player entry into the tournament.
- "Special Thanks" at the event dinner with scrolling AV recognition.
- Inclusion in the QAS quarterly Scoop newsletter and on social media.
- Acknowledgment in the program booklet.

\$1000

WISH LIST

All brands and sizes are welcome, otherwise noted.

- New Smart TV 55" for our training room
- Amazon Gift Cards - Any amount
- Top Loading Plastic Cat Carriers
- Fancy Feast Gravy Lovers canned food
- Fancy Feast Classic flavors canned food.
- Royal Canin Feline Mother and Baby wet and dry cat food
- Fresh News Cat Litter
- Purina Pro Plan Essentials canned dog food
- Paper Towels
- HE laundry Detergent any brand
- Any Supermarket or Walmart Gift cards

Check out our Amazon Wish List and our QAS Website for updates!

ARTWORK

BY MARY DEWEY

Local artist and animal lover Mary Dewey generously paints portraits of our animals during their stay at QAS. If you adopt the animal, you get to bring the work of art home with you. Your portraits are so special.

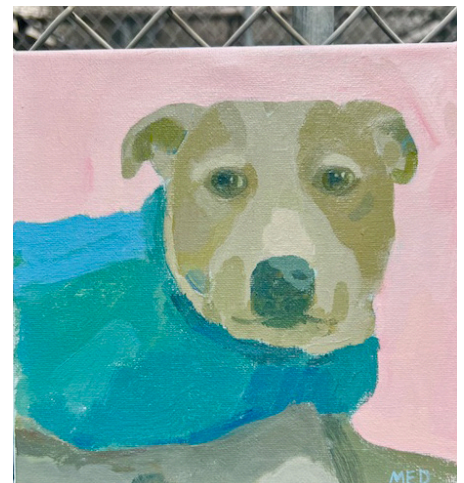
Thank you, Mary!



Frenchie



Morticia



Scrappy

MUPPIE MEMORIES

Hi Peg,

I got a Facebook Memory of the first time we celebrated Muppie's Shelter Worker Appreciation Day in 2015. I took a cake and some snacks to the shelter. These were the ladies who were working that night. My comment on the post says this is Angela, Andrea, Janet, and Holly. The saddest part is that Muppie passed away less than a month later of what they suspect was a brain tumor.



But we continue because there are always more animals to help. Thank you and all the shelter friends for your efforts!

Susan

FUN-RAISING

GOT GIFT CARDS?

One way for us to raise more money is to have awesome raffle prizes. We collect all kinds of gift cards and raffle them off during our events. Anything is appreciated; stores, restaurants, gas cards, fun parks, museums, anything at all. We promise we will put it to good use! Drop them off at the shelter or you can mail them to us at P.O. Box 690088, Quincy, MA 02269.

SPECIAL THANKS TO ALL THE "SWIFTIES" OUT THERE!



Your \$13.00 donations would make Taylor proud. It's great Karma!

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.

- Royal Canin Mother and Baby Cat food (wet and dry)
- Pedialyte (No Flavor-Unflavored)
- Nail Trimmers
- Thermometers (specific animal ones if possible)
- Non Clumping Cat Litter-UNSCENTED
- Kitten Toys

THE LEGAL BEAGLE

SEE SOMETHING, SAY SOMETHING



There is NO excuse for Animal Abuse. Not everyone treats animals the same way. Of course, we love them and treat them as part of the family, but to some they are disposable, void of feelings and emotions. Animals deserve proper care, and under the law, domestic animals must have access to food, water, and shelter. On the one hand we have seen a rise in awareness, rescue, and adoption, yet we are seeing increasingly sad stories on the nightly news about all kinds of animals being abandoned or abused. The Quincy raccoon story really hit home. Yes, some wildlife can be a nuisance, but none deserve such a horrific fate as being burned alive in a trap. It is sickening to imagine the fear and pain this animal suffered. All animals have protection under this law. MGL chapter 272. Section 77. Please see the statute for more the full narrative.

Any person or person who... knowingly and willfully authorizes or permits it to be subjected to

unnecessary torture, suffering or cruelty of any kind shall be punished by imprisonment in the state prison for not more than 7 years in state prison or imprisonment in the house of correction for not more than 2 ½ years or by a fine of not more than \$5,000 or by both fine and imprisonment; provided, however, that a second or subsequent offense shall be punished by imprisonment in the state prison for not more than 10 years or by a fine of not more than \$10,000 or by both such fine and imprisonment.

Any suspected abuse should be reported to the proper government authorities. If an animal is in imminent danger, you should call the local or state police. If the situation is not an emergency, but you know of or suspect animal abuse or neglect, contact your local animal control officer, the Animal Rescue League 617-426-9170 #2, or the MSPCA Law Enforcement Department at 617-522 6008 or 800-628-5808.

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SPECIAL NOTES:

A very special note of thanks to **Leslie Libeskind, President of Highland Marsh Workspaces** in Marina Bay, Braintree and Mansfield. Leslie is providing us with a wonderful modern conference room at Marina Bay for our monthly Board of Directors meetings.

Thank you to **Sandy's Pet Grooming** for helping our residents look great for their adoption day. Best wishes Sandy on your retirement.

Muppie's Annual Birthday Tribute from Susan Willey. For 15 years her donation has been designated to purchase treats for our volunteer's treat jar. Greatly appreciated by volunteers.

THANKS FOR DONATIONS

To the many friends of QAS who had their **birthday tributes** come to us thru Facebook during 2023.

Betty White Birthday Tributes: 15 donations

Taylor Swift: 28 donations

Leap Day Fundraiser: \$600.00

Employees that donate monthly and request company match donation or company matches their volunteer hours

Ameriprise Financial
 Berkshire Partners, LLC
 Eaton Vance
 Granite Gives Back, Inc
 Harvard Pilgrim Health Care
 John Hancock
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 Macy's Inc
 McKesson Corporation
 MFS Investment Management
 Petfinder Foundation
 Quincy Mutual Insurance Company
 Raytheon Corporation
 State Street Corporation
 TRUIST
 United Airlines
 United Health Group
 U.S.Bancorp Foundation
 Voya Financial

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Weymouth Landing Cat Clinic,
Weymouth

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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 10,000 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.

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.

KIDS THAT CARE

SHELTER STORIES

Reading to shelter animal programs are known to be highly effective in lowering the stress of dogs and cats, since animals in the shelter environment get more stressed the longer that they are in the kennels. The Quincy Animal Shelter, for the first time, has started a reading to dogs and cats' program for children aged 8 to 12. The children bring their favorite book and sit in front of the kennels and read to our resident dogs and cats.

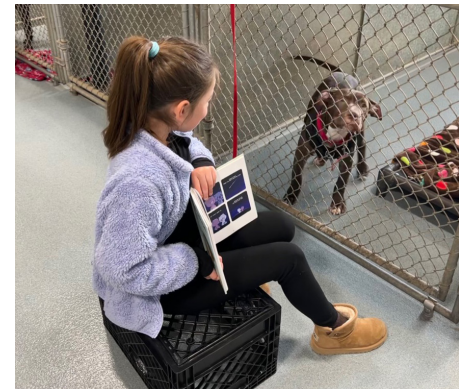
The program will be held monthly on Sundays and during the school vacation week. Our first session was

on February 11th and the effect on the dogs was amazing. Right now, we have a full waiting list, but we will open the program up again for sign-ups soon.

Reading programs are a win-win for everyone: it is a win for the dogs because they get calming attention, and it is a win for the children as well. Most shelters do not allow people under the age of 18 to volunteer simply because it has become a liability so the only way for children to "volunteer" with animals is with special programs like this. This was one of the reasons why we started

this program; to allow children to begin to volunteer with shelter animals which helps children, helps the dogs and cats, and helps our community.

So far, our new program is getting rave reviews!



The Quincy Cub Scout pack 42 Bears completed their critter care adventure by visiting QAS. They were welcomed by our special puppy Bandit!

QAS NEWS

MEET THE DIRECTOR



Mike Daley is a long-time animal lover who wanted to make a difference in animal welfare by joining the QAS Board in early 2024. Mike has extensive experience working directly with nonprofits in his role as a Senior Portfolio Manager focused on nonprofit

clients for BNY Mellon Wealth Management. Mike's client base includes universities, secondary schools, social service / healthcare organizations, and private foundations. Mike works directly with his clients to design, implement, and actively-manage their investment portfolios while also providing counsel on best practices regarding investment policy creation, asset allocation, and manager selection. He received a bachelor's degree with a major in finance from the University of Vermont and a master's degree in business administration from the University of Maryland.

Mike lives in Weymouth with his two teenage children (and two dogs - Cali and Luna). In his free time Mike enjoys golf, live music, and occasionally watching humorous TikTok videos.

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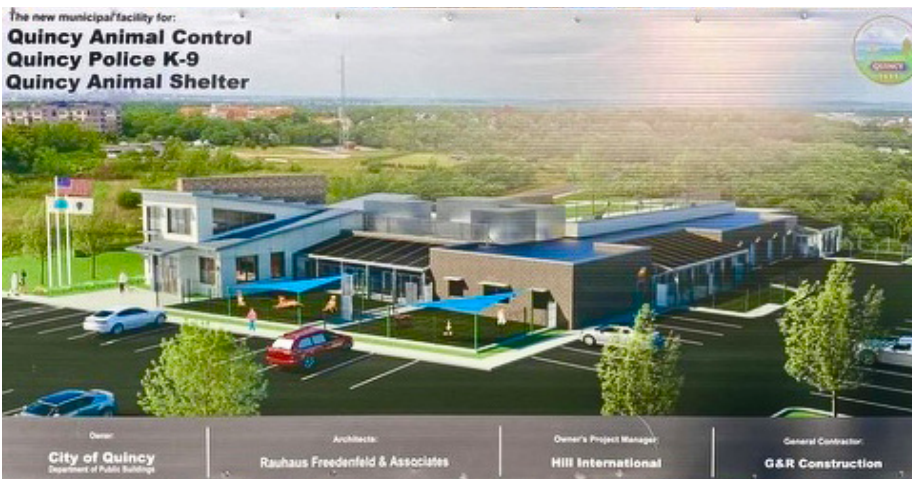
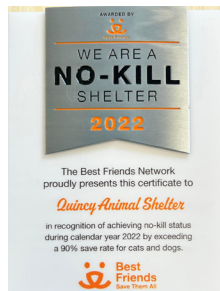
ADOPTION HOURS

Saturdays 10am-2pm and by appointment only.

Please note: Animal surrenders are by appointment only.

QUARRY STREET UPDATE

The earth is moving, and the foundation has been poured! There is a lot of activity on the hill. No dates are definite yet, but we hear a Spring 2025 date is in the air.



Got QAS Wear?

We will be fully stocked soon with everything you need to look amazing this season!



Photo credit: NE Wildlife Center

This Edition of The Scoop is dedicated to the staff at The New England Wildlife Center.

The dedicated staff at the New England Wildlife Center worked tirelessly to care for the raccoon that was brutally set on fire by a Quincy resident. Sadly, after three surgeries and devoted care, she could not be saved. We hope that justice will be served. Rest in Peace.

Please consider donating in her memory to NE Wildlife Center.

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