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Dear Friend,

Helping Hands Humane Society continues to be the Northeast Kansas Animal Resource Center that is committed to saving as many lives as possible. Because of the medical and daily care needs of the homeless pet population, the cost of care is astounding. It is your continued support that allows us to save thousands of lives each year.

This year, your help has made it possible for 1,984 pets to be spayed or neutered. Over 1,700 of those were done in our state of the art medical center by staff veterinarians or through our partnership with Kansas State University. Providing this critical surgery to so many pets wouldn't be possible without the generosity of supporters like you.



*Your year-end tax deductible contribution is needed now more than ever. Your financial support can help in many ways, such as:*

- 🐾 \$30** Two animals will receive initial vaccinations and health checks when arriving at HHHS.
- 🐾 \$50** Five homeless pets will receive flea and tick treatment.
- 🐾 \$100** Covers the cost of supplies for 1 spay/neuter surgery performed at HHHS.
- 🐾 \$250** Provides life saving emergency medical care for a variety of needs such as animals that have been hit by a car or may be suffering from a life-threatening illness.
- 🐾 \$500** Supports the cost to care for 1 animal for two weeks.

**Due to increases in the cost of needed supplies and services, the cost to care for 6,000+ animals is approaching \$2 million a year.** As you can see, your support is much needed and greatly appreciated. Now more than ever, the abandoned and abused animals at HHHS need your help.

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Earlier this year, we expanded one of our valuable community outreach tools. Because of a gift made to the Helping Hands Humane Society Foundation, we were able to purchase a new truck for our Mobile Adoption Unit. This is important for us to be able to reach communities throughout Northeast Kansas. With your help, we'll be able to attend more events and travel throughout our service area. Each time the Mobile Adoption Unit is deployed, we receive more publicity and are given an opportunity to help educate the community on responsible pet ownership.

Potential adopters are able to walk through the trailer and find their next best friend waiting in a kennel. Our staff and volunteers are able to process the adoptions on the unit and send pets to their forever home. In the first twelve stops of this year, the Mobile Adoption Unit was responsible for 29 adoptions. **More lives have been saved as a result of HHHS being able to get out of the shelter and into the community.**

We are committed to providing a safe and healthy environment, world class veterinary care to the animals at the shelter, and humane education in our community, a community that we deeply love and are appreciative to be a part of. For over 125 years, your local shelter has been committed to providing a sanctuary for animals in need of compassionate care and protection. **With your help, we will continue to save lives and improve animal welfare.**

Your tax deductible donation will be much appreciated. For your convenience, you can donate online at [www.hhhstopeka.org](http://www.hhhstopeka.org) or simply complete the enclosed card and return to HHHS. From all of us at Helping Hands, we wish you the very happiest holiday season. Thank you for your continued support.

**Sincerely,**

A handwritten signature in blue ink that reads "Deborah Malick".

**Deborah Malick, RVT  
Executive Director**