# Programs & Services

Serving the community for over 145 years by strengthening the animal-human bond through promoting and providing for the well-being of animals

### MONADNOCK HUMANE SOCIETY



• ESTABLISHED IN 1875 •

# Monadnock Programs & Humane Society Services

#### **PROGRAMS & SERVICES:**

Since 1875, Monadnock Humane Society (MHS) has nurtured the well-being of animals and their human companions. We provide education, programs, and services that create a healthier, more compassionate community for all. Our shelter, in Swanzey, NH cares for over 1600 animals each year and serves 44 communities in the Monadnock Region and beyond.





### Our ASN program offers free boarding and medical care to animals

#### **Animal Safety Net**

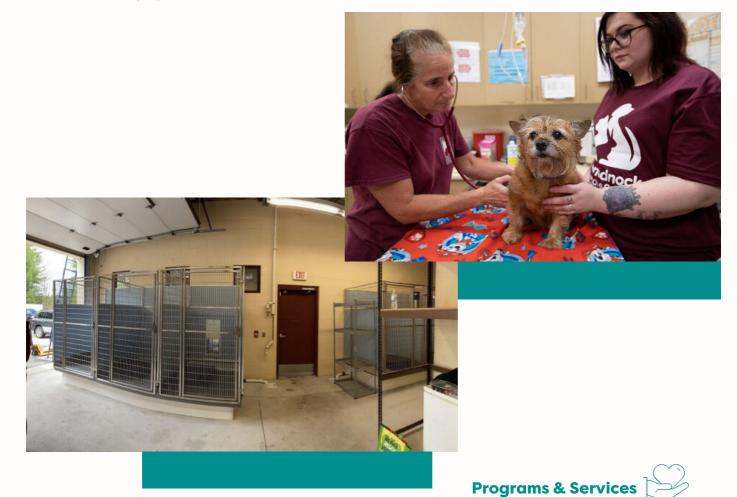
MHS provides free boarding and medical care to the pets of community members who are fleeing domestic violence, are homeless, or are entering a drug, mental health, and/or medical treatment program.

#### **Pet Food Pantry**

Assistance for people who are struggling to navigate difficult financial times with free pet food.

#### **Low-cost Clinics for Cats Owners**

Vital medical services (such as rabies vaccination, microchip and spay/neuter clinics) are available to our community at rates that are affordable to low-income populations.



### Holding Facility and Rehoming Services

#### **Protective Custody**

Serving as the holding facility for animals related to a protective custody situation. MHS cares for animals whose owners enter protective custody.

#### **Bite Quarantines**

Serving as a holding facility for bite quarantines. MHS protects the community by holding a dog for 10 days, as required by law. We monitor the dog during that time for signs of rabies, and return it to its owner if it is healthy.

#### Humane Trap Loan Program

By loaning humane traps, MHS assists residents in catching a stray animal for rehoming. There is a \$60 returnable cash deposit required.







### **Programs & Services**

#### **Animal Cruelty Cases**

Assisting law enforcement with animal cruelty and animal hoarding cases. We provide the rescued animal with medical care and boarding while the case is in the court systems.

#### **Caring for Strays**

At times MHS professional staff will assist Animal Control Officers and/or law enforcement to manage an animal's removal and move the pet to shelter, quarantine, or provide other services as needed.



#### **Re-homing Surrenders**

There are many heart breaking reasons why an owner may need to re-home their pet. MHS cares for, medically treats, and behaviorally evaluates the animals to prepare them to be adopted by a new loving family.

#### **Supporting Law Enforcement**

At times MHS professional staff will assist ACOs and/or law enforcement to manage an animal's removal and move the pet to shelter, quarantine, or provide other services as needed.





#### **Assisting Residents Who Have Lost A Pet**

Through our Ten Thousand Eyes program we build an online community network that reunites owners with lost pets.

### Monitoring and caring for stray cats with wounds of unknown origin.

MHS provides daily care and medical treatment while monitoring for rabies for four months as required by state law.

### Financial Assistance with euthanasia and cremation

If an animal was surrendered to MHS due to significant medical or behavioral issues and it is necessary to euthanize it, we cover the majority of those costs.



### Facilitating the Barn Cat program

The Barn Cat Program provides a spayed/neutered, vaccinated, and microchipped cat to assist with rodent population control.



#### Assisting with a feral cat colony

A colony of feral cats can impact bird populations and cause problems and inconvenience for homeowners. Colonies are also a public health issue, since the risk of rabies is high among feral cats. MHS provides advice and support as these cats are trapped. We also provide spay/neuter at no cost to the homeowner, and we either release the feral cats back into their colony or find homes for them, as appropriate, through our Barn Cat Program.



#### **Helping to Effectively Plan For Disasters**

As a member of the New Hampshire Disaster Animal Response Team (NHDART), MHS helps to identify resources for animals and develop an effective method to mobilize those resources in an emergency.

#### Medical Care Funds – Madden Fund for Cats, Jazzeubelle Fund for Dogs.

These two funds were created by two longtime donors to cover all outside vet costs and give medical care to dogs and cats needing highly specialized, intense surgery and treatment that the MHS medical team is not able to provide.





#### The Wratchford Family Anti-Cruelty Fund

A fund created by Sharon and Wes Wratchford to support MHS's anticruelty work, the prevention of abuse and neglect, and assistance with animal hoarding cases.





## Monadnock Programs & Humane Society Services

#### Programs that Strengthen the Animal Human Bond

These programs are supported through our loyal donors, fundraising activities, and in part through proceeds from our dog training, boarding, dog daycare, puppy play school, and adoption programs. MHS is not affiliated with any other national organization such as the HSUS or ASPCA.

#### **MHS Adoption Center**

A safe place for animals to stay while waiting for their new families. The Adoption Center has a licensed veterinarian, technician, and staff of highly-qualified adoption and shelter technicians who care for the animals during their stay.





#### MHS Adoption Boarding/Daycare Center

A beautiful facility where trained animal professionals care for pets while owners are away. Dog Daycare gives dogs an opportunity to socialize and play while owners are away for the day.

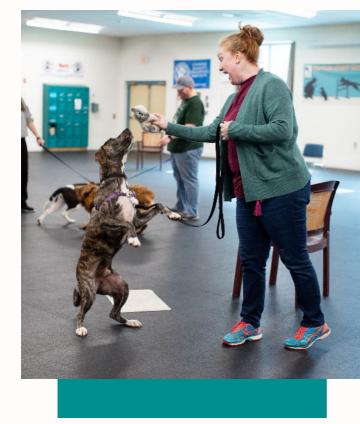
#### **Puppy Play School**

Offering pups between the ages of eight and sixteen weeks an opportunity to have plenty of socialization, training and fun while owners are away for the day.



#### The Guinane Traning Center for Dogs

Certified professional dog trainers help owners train their dog from the basics of obedience and manners to agility and rally obedience in a spacious 60' x 70' indoor training area.



#### **Volunteer Programs**

Many different volunteer options are available and can be tailored to talents and schedules.





#### **Collaborations with Schools/Community Centers, and Groups**

MHS works with many different groups and organizations in the community to provide education on animal welfare, bring awareness to the work we do, and to help engage them in volunteering and philanthropy.



#### The Margaret D. Bell Memorial Scholarship Fund

MHS accepts applications from students originating in the Monadnock Region of New Hampshire who is pursuing either an Associate's Degree as a Veterinary Assistant or a Doctorate of Veterinary Medicine. Applicants must indicate their intent to practice or be employed in the Monadnock Region upon completing their studies.

#### **Pampered Pooch Grooming**

Affordable, professional grooming services for pets who are staying with us in Boarding/Daycare or by appointment. Services include nail trims, shampooing, styling, and more!



#### Public Walking Trails and Fenced Runs

MHS offers the community a beautiful place to walk (with or without your dog) on miles of well-maintained trails that wind through fields and wooded areas on our 90 acres of land. A map is available at our Adoption Center or online. Also, bring your dog for safe and enjoyable exercise in our public run, located in back of our main building.

#### **Therapy Pets**

MHS collaborates with Monadnock Therapy Pets, a volunteer organization, to support and train pets and their people to do a variety of therapy work. All visiting teams are registered and insured. The team serves the community through visits to assisted living and retirement communities, community events, the MHS Children's Literacy Program (Paws to Read to a Dog), and whenever there's a need for a therapeutic pet.

