



HEARTLAND
Animal Shelter

Heartland Heartbeat

SURGERY PHOTO GOES HERE

Heartland's new surgery suite

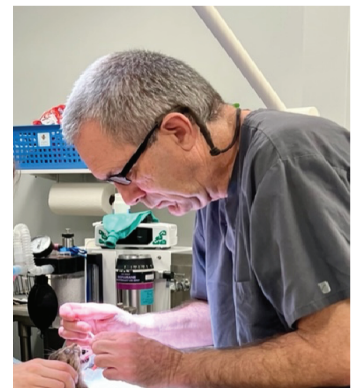
SPRING 2023 NEWSLETTER

SPOTLIGHT MEDICAL CAPACITY INCREASED

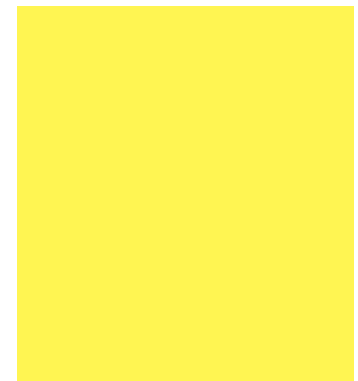
We are excited to announce that our Medical Department has expanded, increasing the quality and efficiency of our on-site care. Heartland has a full-time vet on staff for the first time in its 20-year history. Dr. Pat King joins new Medical Manager/Vet Technician Dani Orsini and Vet Assistant Joey Vircol.

Over the past few months, we also expanded our capacity to perform surgeries at the shelter by converting one of our small "cuddle rooms" into a surgical suite. In addition to spays and neuters, we can now complete dentals, amputations, and hernia operations, which saves resources and time and reduces stress on our animals.

Our treatment capacity was on display when a litter of puppies came to Heartland carrying the potentially deadly Parvovirus. One of the puppies, who we named Flower, became very sick. For the first time, we could provide hospital-level care at the shelter. Our staff worked 24 hours a day to ensure Flower received the medications and nutrition she needed to recover. Flower is now back with her litter-mates!



Dr. Pat King



Dani Orsini



Joey Vircol with XXXX



BAMBI

All of the Parvovirus puppies treated at Heartland survived, but sadly another member of their litter did not. Bambi was the first to get sick. We decided to transfer him to a veterinary hospital while our staff was addressing an emergency involving neonatal kittens. Two days later, Bambi passed away at the hospital.

SLEEP WITH THE ANIMALS! HEARTLAND SLUMBER PAWTY



For 24 hours, a lucky group of people will eat, sleep, and play with one of their favorite 4-legged Heartland residents as part of the First Annual Heartland Slumber Pawty!

The Pawty begins Saturday, March 25 at noon and runs until Sunday, March 26 at noon. It will be streamed on social media to give our fans a sneak peek into the lives of shelter pets!

Space is limited! There are spots reserved for local celebrities and social influencers (email us!), volunteers, and members of the public

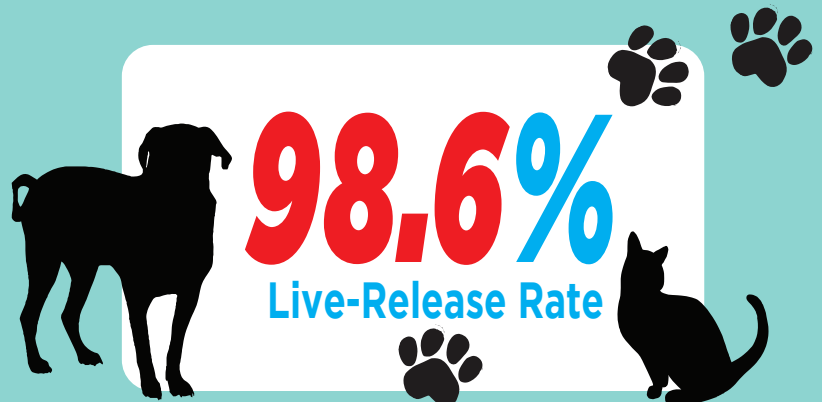
If you want to participate, go to heartland.org/XXXXXXXXXX to set up your fundraising page by March 1, 2023. Fundraising begins on March 3, and those that raise the most money will be eligible to participate in the slumber party.

Heidi is dressed for the slumber party



YEAR IN REVIEW 2022 NUMBERS

Happy New Year, and thank you for supporting our small shelter with a big heart! We saved 918 animals in 2022 because we were able to count on your backing. More than 850 of those dogs and cats are now in loving, secure, forever homes. By the end of the year, Heartland's Live-Release Rate was nearly 99 percent. SHOULD WE SAY SOMETHING HERE ABOUT THE NO-KILL DEFINITION?



918

**555 cats
363 dogs**

Rescued



Adopted

857

**502 cats
355 dogs**



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HEROES

We depend on our Heroes to provide the ongoing support Heartland needs to rescue about 1,000 homeless, ill, or injured animals each year. Becoming a Hero or increasing your level of giving also has many perks! We hope these exclusives show our appreciation for everything you do to save vulnerable dogs and cats. All donations are tax-deductible, and Membership can be upgraded or canceled at any time.



\$10/month or more
Get a newsletter update and an exclusive t-shirt after two months of membership. Various colors available.

\$20/Month

- + A Heartland t-shirt
- + Quarterly Zoom calls with the Executive Director

\$50/Month

- + All of the benefits listed above
- + Access to VIP shelter tour and meet-up

\$75/Month

- + All of the benefits listed above
- + The opportunity to name an animal

\$100/Month

- + All of the benefits listed above
- + An opportunity to join an animal rescue



Magnolia

\$10/ month allows us to microchip a rescued animal



Truffle

\$20/month allows us to care for an orphaned kitten or puppy



Charliee

\$50/month allows us to give an animal advanced medical care



Ryan

\$75/month allows us to provide behavioral training for a dog



Tigris

\$100/month allows us to perform a lifesaving surgery

More information:
heartlandanimalshelter.org/donate/become-a-member/



HOW TO HELP

FACEBOOK FUNDRAISERS

Many of our supporters raise money for Heartland by setting up Facebook fundraisers. They collected \$17,643 in 2022, including \$11,753 just for being born and asking their family and friends to honor their birthday's by giving to the shelter.

And that's not all! Other supporters generated \$5,890 by establishing fundraisers for Heartland in memory of Betty White, Amy Thier (a longtime dog lover and founder of Splash Dog, Giving Tuesday, and various medical emergencies and events.

If you want to create a fundraiser for any occasion or see what others did for Heartland in 2022, go to bit.ly/Heartland_facebook_fundraiser.

SPONSOR AN ANIMAL



Some of our animals remain at the shelter longer than others. Help one of these special pets get adopted by sponsoring their fees. To get started, go to please bit.ly/Heartland_sponsor.

WE ARE HIRING



Heartland is hiring a Development Manager XXXX



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OPEN HOURS

Thursday: 4-7 pm
Friday: 4-7 pm
Saturday: 12-6 pm
Sunday: 12-6 pm

WE RECOMMEND AN APPOINTMENT

Email dogs@heartlandanimalshelter.org or cats@heartlandanimalshelter.org

OFFICERS

CJ Sultz (President)
Scott Hargadon (Vice President)
Tom Bohn (Treasurer)
Chris Proesel (Secretary)

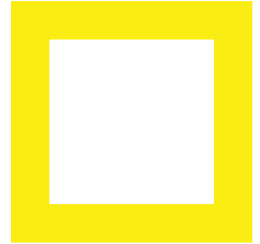
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Liam & Margo