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El Favo's Journey: From Stray to Survivor to Second Chance

When El Favo first arrived at the Nebraska Humane Society in early 2024, he was a cautious black Labrador retriever, found as a stray with uncertain beginnings and a heart that needed time to trust. With the help of our compassionate team and the support of donors like you, El Favo slowly began to open up. His eyes softened, his tail began to wag more often, and soon enough, he found a loving home.

But his story didn't end there.

In early 2025, Animal Control received a call about a dog who had fallen into a deep well. He'd been trapped for nearly three hours, scared and alone. When officers arrived, they discovered the dog wasn't just any dog; it was El Favo.

Thankfully, he was safely rescued and brought back to NHS. His microchip brought him home to us, but his previous address was no longer valid, and no one came to reclaim him. Once again, El Favo needed us — and once again, thanks to your support, we were here.

With the same resilience and gentle heart, El Favo adjusted once more. This time, his journey led to a new family, a forever home that embraced him fully, scars and all.

Today, El Favo is safe, loved and thriving. His story is a testament to the life-changing impact of kindness, second chances, and a community that refuses to give up.

Thank you for being part of that community. Because of you, dogs like El Favo are never alone for long.

A Message From the CEO

Wow!

It seems like just yesterday we were brainstorming events to celebrate the Nebraska Humane Society's 150-year anniversary. And now we are heading towards the end of this extraordinary year! We've had a chance to look back more than a century to see how this agency has progressed and the strides we've made in animal welfare. It has been gratifying and inspiring. NHS was founded to make sure Omaha was doing right by the animals, and that standard continues to this day, 150 years later. There's nothing quite like seeing the frantic face of a worried owner break into a smile when reunited with a missing pet. Or seeing a new adopter proudly showing that their pet already knows "sit" and "shake." Or telling a concerned human that their cat, who was hit by a car, survived thanks to our team.

You make these moments happen.

Your support has allowed us to offer impactful services for more than 150 years. As we open our renovated medical suite and get our veterinary team back in their space, we thank you for supporting our efforts.



As we look to the future of keeping pets in good homes so only those truly needing our services end up here — we thank you.

From where we've been to where we're going — you have walked alongside us. We look forward to continuing this journey together. Just think of the possibilities for the next century!

With gratitude,

A handwritten signature in blue ink that reads "Pam Wiese".

Pam Wiese
President & CEO



Save the Date



Join Us for Family Fun!

September 28 | 11 a.m. - 1:30 p.m.

Nebraska Humane Society Meadow

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Judy's Fresh Start: Patience, Progress and a Place to Call Home

Judy's path to a forever home wasn't easy but thanks to your support, she never walked it alone.

This six-year-old black Boxer spent nearly two years in another shelter before arriving at the Nebraska Humane Society. Nervous and unsure, she needed time to adjust. Though initially available for adoption, her reactivity made it hard for her to connect with new people and animals.



Instead of giving up, our team helped her build confidence and social skills. Once ready, Judy moved into a foster home where she continued to grow. Her foster described her as "an absolute love bug" once she warmed up, and it was clear she thrived in a calm, stable environment.

Now, Judy has the loving home she deserves, a place where she feels safe and at peace.

Because of you, dogs like Judy get more than a second chance, they get the time, care, and love they need to flourish.

Thank you for believing in them.

Biggie Smalls Finds His Place Right Beside Our CEO

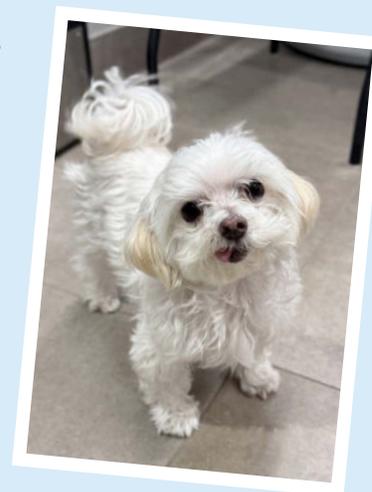
When 11-year-old Biggie Smalls arrived at the Nebraska Humane Society as a stray, he was a tiny Maltese with a big personality and an uncertain past. At his age and size, the world can feel overwhelming, but fate had other plans.

Around the same time, NHS President and CEO Pam Wiese was mourning the loss of her beloved senior dog, Minerva. After some healing, she felt ready to open her heart again.

What started as a simple office foster quickly became something more. Biggie Smalls settled in, bringing joy and companionship, and before long it was clear he had found his forever home with Pam.

Now, he walks the halls of NHS beside her, a reminder of the healing power of love and second chances.

Thanks to supporters like you, animals like Biggie Smalls find not just homes, but belonging.



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www.nehumanesociety.org/ways-to-give/monthly-giving



Pacha's Healing *From Hurt to Home*

When two-year-old Pacha arrived at the Nebraska Humane Society, she had every reason to be on edge. This brown and white tabby had been shot with a BB or pellet gun. Thankfully, the injury wasn't severe, but the trauma left her frightened, defensive and understandably hissy.

Our team gave Pacha the medical care and safety she needed, while also working to investigate what had happened to her. In those first few days, she kept her distance, unsure of whether the world was a safe place.

But little by little, Pacha began to change.

With time, patience and love, her tough exterior softened. Soon, she was bumping gently against our legs, meowing for affection and reminding us all just how resilient animals can be. She just needed someone to see past the initial fear and offer her the stability she deserved.

We knew Pacha would thrive best in a calm, adult household, or one with older children who could give her the gentleness she'd come to trust. And she found exactly that. **Today, Pacha is safe, loved and surrounded by people who respect her boundaries and shower her with the affection she now seeks out so freely.**

Because of you, animals like Pacha are given the time, space, and care they need to heal, both physically and emotionally.



Katniss, Rue, Prim, Finnick and Peeta: *Thank you for Second Chances*



Katniss, Rue, Prim, Finnick and Peeta were only four weeks old when they were found huddled together in a basement egress window. With heavy rain on the way, the space was at risk of flooding, so Animal Control was called in just in time. Rounding them up took a bit of effort (they were small but quick!), but eventually, all five kittens were safely rescued and brought to the Nebraska Humane Society.

Thanks to supporters like you, their story quickly turned from uncertain to uplifting.

The kittens were placed into a warm, loving foster home, where they had soft blankets, full bellies and the chance to grow in a safe and nurturing environment. It didn't take long for their personalities to blossom, and before long, each one was ready to find a forever home.



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