# 2023 Annual Report













#### **Our Mission...**

to provide shelter for our animals and secure permanent and loving homes for abandoned, abused, or neglected animals while teaching responsible pet ownership and compassion for all living things.

#### **Board of Directors**

#### **Executive Committee**

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Tiffanie Rourke, Shelter Manager

Financials			
<b>Operating Income</b>		Expenses	
Grants Fundraising Events	20,815 30,139	Operating Expenses Other Income (Expenses)	(229,592)
Donations/Memorials	390,814	Interest/Dividends Depreciation Unrealized Losses Trust Mgmt Fees Other Expenses	21,731
Adoptions/Surrenders	59,980		(8,314) (85,469)
City Reimbursements Kennel Sponsors	22,808 5,325		$\frac{(8,197)}{(80,249)}$
<b>Operating Income</b>	529,881	Other Expenses	(00,247)
Cost of Goods Sold	(119,271)		
Gross Profit	410,610	Net Profit	100,769



#### **Statistics**

1,005 animals received shelter services
483 adoptions
365 days we cared for animals
222 lost pets reunited with their owner
44 dogs available for adoption 12/31/23
43 cats available for adoption 12/31/23

#### 2023 in Review

Shelter Manager, Tiffanie Rourke, continues to do excellent work. Together with our Kennel Manager KC Shoemaker and the DMCHS staff, they strive to improve the quality of life for the animals in our care and assist in finding the perfect forever family for the animals.

A grant was received to check DNA for providing better breed descriptions for the dogs. Also, all pets that are adopted out are Microchipped.

There continues to be veterinary care present in the shelter weekly. This is time volunteered by each of the Des Moines County veterinary offices. These visits allow for prompt care of any issues that may arise with the health of our animals.

The main dog room got treated to new kennels, sealed floor, and paint.

Many yearly activities and fundraisers were held. The 5th Annual Benefit Car Show was a huge success in September. The Santa Paws event brought in wonderful donations at holiday time. Trivia events were also well attended and fun for all.

We had several great businesses step up with fund-raising events throughout the year that greatly benefited us. Also, numerous birthday fundraisers by children and adults were held with wonderful donations received. Our generous supporters continued to use our Amazon Wish List where we received numerous gifts that were shipped directly to the shelter. Each of these actions allow the Des Moines County Humane Society to promote our animals available for adoption and provide information to the community on the operations of the shelter.

Our Facebook page continues to gain followers. We find this a fantastic way to spotlight our activities, pet adoptions and information about available animals. Our new web page continues to receive increased activity and more of our animals are being featured on Pet Finder. Social media helps us reach our valued sponsors, supporters, volunteers and potential adopters.

We, the Board of Directors, Shelter Manager, and Staff, sincerely thank you for your support of our efforts. We couldn't do this without you.





#### Ways of Giving

The programs and services of the Des Moines County Humane Society are funded exclusively from donations by individuals and businesses. We depend upon your support and generosity to care for the animals. All contributions, no matter the size, make a difference in the lives of our animals.

- General monetary donations or purchases from our Amazon wish list
- Memorials Give in the name of a loved one (Human or Pet)
- Donor Wall of Fame in the Community Room Donations within determined levels will be acknowledged with a pet themed plaque engraved with name/or memorial designee



- Kennel Sponsorships Minimum \$15/month
- Medical Fund

#### Acknowledgements

We would like to thank everyone that made contributions to the Des Moines County Humane Society during 2023. When you make a donation to the DMCHS your gift helps support our many services, including: adoption, animal care, animal welfare education, reuniting lost pets with their owners, and sheltering of stray, abandoned and unwanted animals.

Individuals and businesses have donated time, money and products to help us care for the animals. We are also grateful for the volunteers who spent countless hours of their time helping out our dogs and cats.

Thank you to the veterinarians at Allgood Animal Hospital, Summer Street Animal Clinic and Mediapolis Veterinary Clinic for their participation in our program and for the services they donate.

A special thanks to the Animal Control Officer, City of Burlington and West Burlington Police Departments and Des Moines County Sheriff's office.

Many of our funds are received through Memorials and Estates. The board greatly appreciates your kindness during these very difficult times. We pledge to work hard to put the funds to the best possible use to support the animals of our community in memory of your loved one.

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