

Upcoming Events

- **Giving Hearts Day – Feb. 12**
- **Paw Art**
– Mid-Jan. to Mid-April
- **Bene-Pet Dinner & Auction**
– March 21
- **Shaggy Shuffle – June 16**

Focus on all Fours

WINTER 2026



A publication for friends of the Central Dakota Humane Society

“Hush Puppy” Funds Vet Clinic in New Dog Building

Central Dakota Humane Society is pleased to announce that the veterinary center in the new Bavendick Shelter has been funded by an anonymous benefactor. More than \$700,000 has been gifted to fund the shelter's veterinary area which will be used for wellness checks, vaccinations, and spay/neuter surgeries of shelter animals.

The gift is being made in honor and appreciation of the excellent veterinary care of the shelter animals from long-time shelter veterinarians, Barb J. Espe, DVM and Del Rae A. Martin, DVM. The support, advice, encouragement, and meticulous care of our animals over several decades from these dedicated veterinarians has helped CDHS save thousands of animals.

The anonymous donor has been called the “Hush Puppy” by CDHS president Jerry Kemmet. The Hush Puppy states, “The ongoing mission of CDHS has positively impacted many animals and their humans. I wish CDHS to be able to expand their medical care services to assist animals in need. I am thrilled to be able to honor these professional individuals named in the recognition, and to reflect their many contributions through the years. In addition, CDHS has been kindly and capably led by Sue Buchholz, who juggles the best interest of all in her care. This donation will bring the shelter to



A surgical space will be included in the shelter's new veterinary center.

the next level of animal rescue, and I am pleased to make a difference for the organization, workers, volunteers, and the animals they help.”

“This is truly an inspiring gift for us,” said campaign chair David Borlaug, who added, “Being able to care for our animal residents with basics like spaying, neutering and basic medical care will shorten our turnaround time for getting dogs and cats into their new homes. This will enhance our long-term sustainability, while benefitting the furry ones.”

Gratitude Drives Anonymous \$20,000 Campaign Donor

An anonymous donor has provided \$20,000 to the “Be a Believer” campaign, dedicated to the dog kennels in the new building. She is hoping her background and generosity will help inspire others to join with her, supporting the mission of CDHS.

Growing up in Bismarck, she was among the first to graduate from South Central High School. Given the opportunity for a second chance with her education, she attended a university where she graduated with honors. After receiving her bachelor’s degree, she continued her education with postgraduate studies, earning a doctorate.

She had a long career working in government services before retiring back home to be near family in Bismarck. It is her fervent desire to give back to the community and those who enrich our lives. She is especially fond of CDHS, due to its dedicated staff and long history of charitable work. Here is what she has to say...

“This donation is offered in gratitude and with love to all the beautiful animals who have touched my heart. It carries with it my hope and prayers for the rescues still waiting for their forever homes and is given in honor of the human guardians who have fought for these animals and dedicated so much of their lives to ensuring their safety and happiness.

Over the years, I have been blessed to share my life with many beloved pets who began their precious lives homeless and were given a second chance through the compassion of others. Each one of these rescues has brought immeasurable love and joy, leaving an enduring imprint on my heart. The most recent addition, Oakley (Puma), was adopted from CDHS by my brother’s family.



CDHS dog Puma, now renamed Oakley, is a joyful family member.

He has become a cherished member of their household and adds joy, humor, and warmth to all our lives.

Our shelter pets offer gentle lessons in compassion and serve as living reminders of unconditional love. They carry with them the hope of second chances. Life on this Earth would be vastly different without the love, support, and lessons our pets provide, and without the kind souls who make these chances possible.

Someday, may all living beings feel the warmth of human kindness, the comfort of love, and the safety that they deserve.”

Daryl & Virginia Kerzman – \$25,000 – Covered Dog Play Yard

Our “Be a Believer” campaign has benefitted from a generous gift of \$25,000 from Daryl and Virginia Kerzman of Mandan, who will be sponsoring an outdoor play yard. Virginia said, “We’ve always had a soft spot in our hearts for the dogs and cats and know that CDHS has been doing such a wonderful job caring for them all these years. We’re glad we can help out with the construction of the dog building, and especially its outdoor play areas.”



Virginia and Daryl Kerzman – toasting to all the pets saved at CDHS!

MDU Resources Foundation – \$25,000 – Covered Dog Play Yard

The MDU Resources Foundation was one of the first entities to join our campaign to build a new Dog Building. They provided a \$25,000 grant two years ago and helped to kick off our fundraising efforts. The Foundation is a strong supporter of many charitable community organizations. We are proud to say they also supported CDHS during their 100th anniversary with a \$10,000 gift.



MDU Resources employees who have shared their time and love with CDHS, along with CDHS staff members. Back: Cameo, Holly and Maddie. Front: Nikki, Becky and Sue.

Kelly & Tom Rohlfs – \$75,000

Kelly and Tom have long been supporters of animal rescue and of CDHS and the pets in need. Kelly said, “Tom and I truly believe that pets have an incredible way of enriching our lives. Every dog we’ve adopted has brought us more love, joy, and purpose than we ever could have imagined. When you rescue an animal, you’re not just giving them a home – you’re giving them safety, comfort, and the chance to feel truly loved. In return, they give you unconditional companionship and a bond that changes your life for the better.

Sadly, there is an overwhelming number of homeless dogs and cats in shelters, all waiting for someone to choose them. The only way to make a real difference is through adoption and by supporting the shelters that work tirelessly to care for these animals. Our hope is that anyone considering a pet will first give a shelter animal a chance. These incredible beings deserve loving homes, and the impact of choosing to adopt can truly change lives – both theirs and ours.”



Kelly and Tom, along with rescue dog, Tango.

Larry & Caroline Ziegler – \$21,000 – Covered Dog Play Yard

Larry and Caroline have been long-time CDHS supporters, and we are so honored to receive a donation from them for the new Dog Building. You will see their name on one of our Covered Dog Play Yards.



Larry & Caroline Ziegler

Generous Donors Continue to Provide for the Future of CDHS – YOU CAN JOIN US TOO!

We are so proud to continue our features of capital campaign donors who are providing for the future of CDHS. In future newsletter issues we will continue our features and also highlight legacy donors (those who have included us in their estates) and others who have committed to our ongoing mission of rescuing and rehoming animals in need.

Don't miss out. You can join us and be a part of the wave of caring. Together we are saving the lives of pets in need.

A Donor Wall (similar to the rendering shown here but with several photo panels) will highlight those giving \$2,500 or more. Every donation counts and those gifting \$250 or more will also be listed on our donor electronic display. We are asking for donors who would like to be included on the wall to have your donations or pledges turned in by March 31. There are several naming opportunities still available for trees and decorative light poles. Use the pledge card below, stop at the shelter, or call and talk to Sue or Cameo. You can join our community of believers and be a part of giving second chances to many more generations of animals!



I want to Be a Believer and help the Central Dakota Humane Society Capital Campaign!

- ☐ I would like to make a donation today in the amount: \$ _____
- ☐ I would like to make a pledge in the amount: \$ _____ (minimum \$250) for _____ years (maximum 5), with a payment of: \$ _____ each year, starting on _____, 2025. (Pledges will receive a reminder billing each year.)
(Date)

Name: _____

Address: _____ City: _____ State: _____ Zip Code: _____

Phone Number: _____ Email: _____

Payment Method:

☐ Check ☐ Credit Card

Credit Card Number: _____ Expiration Date: _____ Security Code: _____

Name on Card: _____ Signature: _____

☐ I would like to contribute in another way. Please contact me.

Naming opportunities available include:

Shelter Building - \$1,000,000	Veterinary Surgical Area - \$500,000	Lobby - \$250,000
Community Room - \$250,000	Gift Shop - \$150,000	Park - \$150,000
Quarantine Building - \$100,000	Covered Dog Play Yards - \$20,000	Acquaintance Rooms - \$20,000
Walking Paths - \$10,000	Memorial Benches - \$5,000	Dog Kennels - \$3,000
Light Poles - \$2,500	Memorial Trees - \$1,500	

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Thank you for helping to build the future of CDHS!



Shelter Report

By Sue Buchholz, Shelter Director

The Year That Moved Us

The newest CDHS expansion project is closer to the end than the beginning! Yes, there have been some construction delays (isn't there always?) but our focus remains on the finished product and the glorious move in day...expected in spring of 2026!

I have recapped our growth and expansion many times, there is no need to do that again today. However, never in my wildest dreams did I think that I would live to see the campus we have today. When I recall every meeting, every debate, every challenge - what tops the list is the dedication and determination of the decision makers at the time, at every step of the way. We have always been frugal and have never rushed into any big project. Can we afford it? Can we sustain it? What is the best use of the funds entrusted to us? How can we serve more people, shelter more animals, alleviate suffering, keep animals in homes, provide spay/neuter assistance? The list of our services goes on and on! And it's sad to say that there are more resources and rescues than ever before in our state, and yet the homeless animal population does not seem to decrease. I believe, I must hope, that all of us together are making a dent in the problem. Educating the public about responsible, lifelong pet ownership is the backbone to the entire problem, which is preventing unwanted litters by spaying and neutering. Believe me when I say, every litter hurts! Yet our supporters in our communities and beyond have gifted us with generosity and faith, trusting us



to provide this service as a private nonprofit, and we take that responsibility very seriously.

The next newsletter deadline will likely come after our grand opening of the new dog building, and I will highlight all the wonderful features we have incorporated. The countless meetings, the attention to detail, all to focus on the comfort of our residents, no matter how long their stay, is at the forefront of our minds. We are proud and honored that you trust us to provide this service. This is YOUR community animal shelter, and I hope and pray that we uphold the high standard that is expected of us, to the best of our capacity. My heart is filled with gratitude and hope. I sincerely wish that is the same for you!

Get Your Pet's Portrait Drawn During Paw Art Event

The 5th Annual Paw Art is happening now! Submit a photo of your pet(s), along with a \$20 donation, and a Bismarck Public Schools student (kindergarten through high school) will recreate the photo as an original work of art. This art will bring smiles for years to come and is an amazing conversation piece. AND it will raise money for four charities – the Bismarck Public School Foundation, Bismarck Public Schools Fine Arts Program, Central Dakota Humane Society, and Bismarck Arts and Gallery Association.

In addition to receiving their pet portrait, donors will see their pet featured in the Paw Art Showcase at Bismarck Arts and Gallery Association from March 25-27 and online in a Paw Art Parade video that debuts on National Pet Day, April 11.

The deadline to submit your donation and photo online is Friday, February 9. For more information and to submit your photos, go to <https://bpsfoundation.com/2026/01/01/5th-annual-paw-art-fundraiser/>.





Stephanie's Corner

By Stephanie Santos, Volunteer Coordinator

New Dog Building Brings New Volunteer Opportunities!

Have you ever noticed that our pets wake up, seemingly excited for a day that looks almost identical to the day before – despite seeing the same faces, eating the same food, playing with the same toys and walking the same neighborhood? For most of us, our pets' routines would seem mundane or boring. And more than likely we would start to imagine how nice it would be if we could do things differently and have different things.

Meanwhile, our animals greet each day with the same enthusiasm. Their eyes light up as they watch us walk toward the same pantry door. They dance the same dance of anticipation in front of their bowls. They jump up to greet the same people. They purr in pleasure when the same spots get scratched in just the right way.

Isn't it interesting how our pets enjoy the ordinary, the mundane, the simple little things that we tend to take for granted? And while many of us are hunched over our phones seeking entertainment, validation, and connection that never seems to satisfy or satiate us, our animals are celebrating every moment of their day because for them, their routine is enough. They don't waste time comparing themselves or proving themselves to others. And success is not a tangible thing to them. Life, for our pets, is simple and straightforward.

They receive love, kindness, food, play. With each of these interactions, no matter how small or brief, they feel the joy that comes from them. Every single kibble. Every single pet. Every single kiss. Every single word. As if it was the first time. Every single day.

Here at the shelter, our animals experience the same joy. They may not have their own families yet, but here, they experience the joy that comes with seeing the same familiar faces of our Critter Companion Volunteers. These are the volunteers who arrive at the same time on the same days and offer the same treat, play the same games, and whisper the same comforting words. These are the volunteers who understand and appreciate that the animals in our care have been abandoned and let down by humans before. These are the volunteers who take it upon themselves to prove that there are humans that are different.

I honor these volunteers who show up and stay committed to our animals for the long haul – day after day, month after month, year after year. Those volunteers are truly special. They are the ones who routinely remind our shelter animals just how much they are loved. On a regular basis, these Critter Companions



Volunteer Tareena comforting Kobalt on New Year's Eve, while the fireworks were going off near the shelter.

bring our shelter animals joy. What a wonderful group of consistent, reliable, and compassionate people whose impact on our animals is powerful.

If you would like to join the CDHS family and make an ongoing commitment to our shelter animals, please consider becoming a Critter Companion. Our animals could use more familiar faces who will regularly bring them joy while they are waiting for their forever homes. Call me at 701-975-6171 or email me at volunteers@cdhs.net.

CDHS Annual Meeting and Elections held in March

CDHS will hold its annual meeting on March 17 at the CDHS Shelter, Mandan. During this meeting, board and executive board members will be elected. If you are interested in serving on the CDHS board of directors, please notify President Jerry Kemmet in writing via email (cjkemmet@bis.midco.net) or letter by March 1. To be elected to the board, a person must be a member in good standing of CDHS for at least 30 days.



**Saturday,
March 21, 2026**
Sixteen03 Main Events
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**Dinner/Auctions/
Raffles/Games**
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Our Volunteers are Pawsome!

By Stephanie Santos, Volunteer Coordinator

Do you happen to know anyone who keeps a spare tiara and sash in their vehicle? I know of only one such person – and she happens to be a CDHS volunteer! Kennedy DeLap is not only a passionate animal lover and homeless pet advocate, she is also 2025's Miss North Dakota!

Kennedy is a long-time volunteer who has adopted and fostered animals from CDHS. Despite her very full calendar as Miss North Dakota, she still takes time to do what she can to help find our adoptable animals homes. Most recently, she has been featuring some of our dogs on her Miss North Dakota Facebook page.

I was able to spend some time with her while she was volunteering recently and asked her a few questions about being a CDHS volunteer:

Why did you choose to volunteer your time to CDHS?

"I have been a dog lover for my entire life, and when I was little was constantly watching animal rescue shows like Pitbulls and Parolees and Animal Cops. So pretty early I was making my family take me to Central Dakota Humane Society to see dogs until I could volunteer. My next-door neighbor and I would have lemonade stands and try to raise money for the shelter – so it was kind of always something I knew I wanted to do! When I was old enough to drive, I began volunteering and just fell in love with it! I volunteered all throughout high school until I left for college in Montana and now I'm finally back!"

What is the best part of volunteering at CDHS?

"Gosh, there are so many great things about being a CDHS volunteer. I will give you two - first, I have adopted/fostered five dogs from CDHS and they just have brought so much joy and love into my life I cannot even begin to describe it. CDHS has truly brought me best friends in fur form, so for that I am so grateful. There is no love like the love of a rescue dog. Second is getting to see who these dogs truly are, when you spend time outside of their kennels with them and give them love they really come out of their shell and turn into completely different dogs. A dog that may look tough – or bark behind his fence – then comes out and just wants belly rubs and kisses. I hope people come meet these dogs multiple times to see this side of them. They are so deserving of a forever family."

Do you have a favorite, or special volunteer moment you would like to share?

"One of my favorite moments as a volunteer was getting to see one of the dogs I walked at CDHS in the real world with her



Volunteer Kennedy DeLap, AKA Miss North Dakota, getting lots of slobbery kisses from Sylvie.

forever family. Volunteering and walking these dogs you really do fall in love with them and just hope and pray someone comes and gives them a second chance at life, and that day came for this pup - her name is Maeve. One day – it must have been a year later or more – I saw her mom taking her on a walk. I was able to stop and say hi. Not only was she so happy to see me but it just truly made my day to see her so so happy, so healthy in her forever home – that was really special.

I think it is important to remind people that they really have the power to change the entire world for these dogs, by taking them home and giving them love it gives them the second chance they are so deserving of. They are waiting for you, sitting in a kennel – some of them for five years – waiting for a person to love, a carpet to lay on, and a cookie to steal off of the table. If you have the room in your heart and home, I really hope you consider adopting a dog or cat from CDHS."

Well said, Kennedy! Thank you for all you do for the animals at CDHS! If you would like to become a volunteer or foster, please contact me at volunteers@cdhs.net or call 701-975-6171.

Tours and Thanks and Things

🐾 Cheers to all our CDHS supporters who held Facebook fundraisers for birthdays and just because – Glennis Speir, Nancy Lutrell, Christopher Christmann, Marilyn Mee, Michelle Littefield, Jackie Gunsch, Nicole McDonough, Jill Dworshak, Jamie CB, Rosa Kennard, Taya Dockter, Tracy Miller, Abby Walette

🐾 Thank you to Eide Subaru and Chantelle for continuing to feature our dogs. They love their outings to Subaru!

🐾 Thank you to the crew from Brady Martz for helping us do some fall cleanup AND bringing a generous donation of \$10,000. WOW! We truly appreciate your hard work and giving hearts!



🐾 Thank you to our friends at Bed n Biscuit Ranch and their customers for collecting items from our Needs List! We appreciate you!

🐾 A HUGE Thank You to our friends at Hill's Pet Nutrition for the donation of dog and cat food! We shared it with our community at our Buddy's Bowl partner locations.

🐾 Thank you Genie and the MIDCO Foundation for the \$1,000 to help fund our Buddy's Bowl Program - filling the bowls of pets in need! We appreciate you!



🐾 Thank you to Shiloh Business Fundamentals students. Each ran their own business, selling items to schoolmates, and donating the funds to the dogs and cats at CDHS! These entrepreneurs are off to a great start.

🐾 Thank you to the staff at Gate City Bank in Bismarck for the amazing donation from their Make a Difference Jean's Day efforts!

🐾 Thank you to Joe Pauly and all who volunteered their time to help with Joe's Thanksgiving Meal. And thank you to all who attended. We were blessed to share the holiday giving thanks with our community.

🐾 Thank you, thank you to Danni at Healthy Dog Center for coming to the shelter and doing a free grooming and wash for Mable. This old girl was covered in matted fur, with several sores underneath and a few fleas crawling around. She now feels so much better. We could just see the relief on her face, like a physical and emotional weight has been lifted. She still has so much arthritic pain and we are working on helping her with that. We love you, Mable.



🐾 We are blessed every holiday season with a visit from the third graders at Lewis & Clark Elementary. They bring us a pile of goodies from our Needs List and get to hang out with the pets for a bit. Their teachers, aids, and helpers do an amazing job of helping these future adults learn about hope, compassion, and responsibility in our community. That's the fuel that runs the world and these students are getting fueled up. We couldn't be more grateful.)

Needs List

- Monetary donations
- Gasoline cards
- Cat litter (non-clumping)*
- Booklets of Forever Stamps
- Bleach
- Fleece (Should be new - Will be used to make blankets to sell.)
- Batting for fleece blankets
- Soft Dog Treats
- Heavy-duty Dog Toys
- White garbage bags (13 gallon)
- HE liquid laundry detergent
- Canned dog and cat food
- Chicken baby food
- Toilet paper
- Black lawn and leaf garbage bags
- Vehicle donations are always welcome!

* Always in short supply.

Please be sure to check out our Amazon Wish List. Items on that list often change and you can conveniently purchase them and have them shipped directly to the shelter. We also encourage purchases from local businesses. We have collection boxes at KT Pet Supply and Runnings – Bismarck & Mandan.

Membership meetings

Membership meetings are held the third Tuesday of each month at the CDHS shelter at 6 p.m.

Please join us and give your input as the future of the Central Dakota Humane Society is discussed and planned. Call 701-667-2020 for more info. All interested parties welcome.

**February 17 • March 17
April 21**

Volunteer Orientations

Contact our Volunteer Coordinator, Stephanie, at 701-667-2020 or volunteers@cdhs.net if you would like to volunteer at CDHS. The animals are always in need of volunteers. We would love to hear from you!

Tails of Success

BEETLE

"Just wanted to wish you all a very Merry Christmas and let you know how grateful Beetle and I are for your kindness and compassion. Sue, you were an angel I needed last year and I can't thank you enough. Beetle has become a fan favorite around here by our grand-kiddos and he's my best bud. Every night he gets his 7:30 pm greenie, sleeps in the bed with us, and follows me everywhere. We are totally in love! Just wanted to let you know he is doing fantastic and he is very, very loved. Beetle got to meet Santa this year. I've included a few pics of Beetle living his best life. Thank you again and God bless!" – *From Beetle's family*



INGRID

"Just an update on sweet Ingrid! Ingrid is enjoying life to the fullest, she just recently became a big sister to our newborn son, and I can say she absolutely loves him. Whenever he cries, she is there; whenever he's out of his bassinet, she is there giving him kisses and watching over him. Ingrid is such an amazing dog and thank you for introducing us to such a sweet gentle soul." – *From Ingrid's family*



SCHATZIE

"Schatzie is fitting in well at his home. He loves sleeping in the bed every night and getting to do zoomies all day. His vet switched him to the metabolic version of his cat food, and he's been losing weight!" – *From Schatzie's family*



BOO

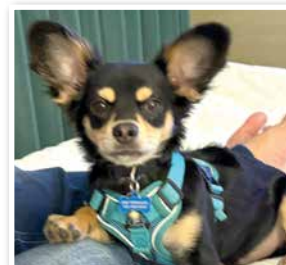
"Hi! Just wanted to update on Boo real quick! He's going amazing! He's calmed down and has really clicked with Anubis even more! I moved back home last month and



he did so well in all the new places on the trip and at our new apartment! He really is the perfect kitty. (Other than his new habit of playing in his water like a dog he spills it everywhere lol!) and I like to think he's pretty happy too!:) He has really helped me personally too. He's amazing. Thank you for letting me adopt him!" – *From Boo's family*

OLLIE

"Oh our Ollie (formerly Toro), we couldn't love him more!! Things are going great! He and Poncho are continuing to learn boundaries with each other but it's way better than it was. I've even seen them play with each other once, for maybe 2 minutes. Poncho is teaching him all the better things in life! He travels with us everywhere we go; he even got to experience a sandy beach a couple of weeks ago! He has learned how to hop up on the bench and watch the birds out the window. He is a fun fun dog and we feel blessed that he's ours!" – *From Ollie's family*



WESSON

"Update on Wesson! November 3rd marked 5 years for his gotcha day! He has been the best boy dog a girl could have! Picture on the left was the first night home. Picture on the right was him at the 4th parade at the lake." – *From Wesson's family*



SCRAPPY

"Hi! I don't know if anyone remembers me there but my name is Scrappy and I spent 3 years there before being adopted. I had some behavioral issues at first but I'm told I'm a wonderful boy. I got some sawdust on my face today as I was being curious. Just wanted to say hello." – *From Scrappy*



HOLMES

"I wanted to give an update. Holmes and Pearl have bonded. They are both out cold in this picture." – *From Holmes' family*



CDHS New Members, Generous Donors, Memorials and Honors

PLEASE NOTE:

Listings reflect memberships, adoptions and donations from 9-16-25 to 12-15-25 ONLY

New Members & Generous Donations

2 Axe Roustabout, LLC
Corina Abbatoeye
Valerie Abrahamson
Charles and Tracey Allen
Kathleen Allen
Ruby Altringer
American Express
American Online Giving
Craig and Sherry Anderson
David and Peggy Anderson
Mark and Janell Anderson
Susan Anderson
Sara Anderson Moore
Gretchen Ann
Margie Argetsinger
Quinn Askew
Timothy Atkinson
Rodney Auer
Jeffrey & Darcy Avery
Annette Backes
Brian and Joan Backes
Jackie Baglivio
Marvel Bailey
Roy Bailey
Carol Baillie
Randall and Shannon Bakke
Nancy Barnes
Ashley Barth
Nancy Barth
Noreen Bartlett
Donna and Tom Baumgartner
Lacie and Matt Baumgartner
Michelle Becher
Yvonne & David Becker
Rebecca Beckman
John Caldwell and Annette Behm-Caldwell
Carol and Lynn Beiswanger
William and Vicky Bemman
Marlinda Bender
William Benjamin & Cynthia Lang-Benjamin
Judy Bennett
Chelsey Benson
Whitney Benter
Melissa Benz
Heidi and Brock Berg
June Berger
Karen Berger
Cheryl Bergian
Lexie Bergstrom
Tim and Pam Berhow
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Ron and Lorie Berndt
Ben Bernhardt
Abbey Beutler
Annette Bieber
Irene and Jerry Bier
Dennis Biesecker & Theresa Hall
Nathan Bigler
Cynthia Binder
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Hulen and Patricia Bivins
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Don Bliss
Denise Blotske
BNI Coal
DuWayne and Donna Boehm
Joann and Jason Boehm
Sally Bohmbach
Erin Bolinger
Doug & Mari Bondley
Cathy Bonsness
Brenda Boots
Pamela Borchers
Ruth and David Borlaug
Karen Borstad
Darrel and Patty Bosch
Shelly Bosch
Fred and Judy Bott
Makenzee Boutillier and Naomi Hutslar
Lynette and Noel Boyko
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Carma Branch
Michael Brand
Shana Brandt
Daryl and Donna Braun
Jody and Gary Braunberger
Curtis and Laurie Breimeier
Paul and Cathy Breiner
Annesse Bren
Kathy & Warren Broeder
Rebecca Broer
Brittany Brown
Jodi and Chris Brown
Kelsey Brown
Kendra Brown
Barbara Bruce
Linda Brucker
Kjerstin Buboltz
Merrill Buchfinck
Dennis and Pam Buchholz
Sue Buchholz
Sharon Bull
Darold and Lisa Burch
Kaye Burian
CAF America
Suzanne Cahill
Laiken Calavera
Beth Campbell
Shawna Capan
Cathy Carlson
Kristi Carlson
Ronald Carrick
Michael and Patricia Carroll
Sara Carufel
Rebecca Cayko
Doug and Sharon Cerkoney
Rebekah Charchenko
Jaime Chaske
Connie and Steven Chmielewski
Amy Christ
Carol Christianson
Gail and Kim Christianson
Thomas Christianson
Tammy & Brian Churchill
Glen and Lori Clark
Norm and Denise Clark
James & Loah Clement
Kat Clinton
Blaine and Colleen Clooten
Janell Cole
Patrick Conmy
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Leyla Dwell
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Brett Ehrhardt
Diane Ehrlich
Loni Eicholtz
Lynn Ekstrom
Marge Ellefson
Kent and Jacqueline Ellis
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Colleen Engel
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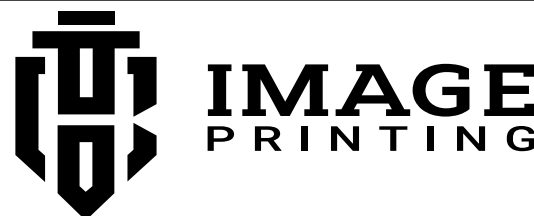
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Purpose: The purposes for which the Corporation is organized are:

1. To provide for, house, rehabilitate, and relocate lost, strayed or homeless animals.
2. To provide appropriate medical services.
3. To foster and promote humane treatment for all animals.
4. To encourage proper responsibility by owners of animals in their care, training or control.
5. To cooperate in the enforcement of laws that protect animals from cruelty or neglect.
6. To promote spaying and neutering of companion animals to avoid unwanted litters.
7. To help bring about a time when no more abused and/or abandoned animals will be destroyed anywhere.
8. To do such acts and exercise such powers - within the law - as may be necessary, desirable or incidental to the carrying out of the purposes specified above.



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On Feb. 12, you can securely donate online at www.GivingHeartsDay.org (select Central Dakota Humane Society and any of your other favorite charities). If you prefer, you can send a check to CDHS. Checks must be dated Feb. 12 and must arrive before or on that date to be counted in the Giving Hearts Day total. It is also helpful if you add "Giving Hearts Day" to the memo line of your check. You may also pre-schedule your donations online at the Giving Hearts Day website starting on Jan. 12 and running through Feb. 11. (Click the QR code here to preschedule your donation for CDHS!) This year, we have a very generous donor who is matching up to \$40,000!

Please give in honor of Chip (pictured here). He is a shelter kitty that became a social media star on Facebook with his silly, derpy smile. By donating, you are helping all the lovable shelter pets just like Chip.



Chip



Giving Hearts Day