

Wia was nearing her one-year anniversary at the Winnipeg Humane Society. While we loved getting to know her, we wanted to find her the perfect home. Because of your support, finding that home was possible. It took 357 days, but together we found Wia the home she deserves. Giving Wia the life she deserves is a shelter-wide effort.



Our behaviour team worked with Wia to reduce her reactive tendencies and positively reinforce her good behaviour.

The clinic was always there to treat Wia and make

sure she was healthy. During her time at the shelter, Wia was treated for ear inflammation, an injured knee and more.

The foster department cared for Wia by finding her a temporary home where she recovered from her knee injury and received a break from the shelter life.

Animal Care staff looked after Wia every day she was in the shelter. They fed her, they kept her room clean, and were always monitoring her well-being and health. Adoption staff got to know Wia while she was on the adoption floor. They always spoke the world of Wia to potential adopters and made sure she would go to a home where she'd get the best care possible.

Volunteers worked closely with Wia. One volunteer took the sociable dog for walks, and even to her home for a few days at a time. Wia's true personality really shined when she was out of the shelter.

We contacted Doug Lunney, a columnist with the Winnipeg Sun and he agreed to share Wia's story in one of his articles. A family came down to the shelter with the article in tow the day it was published. They asked to meet Wia and the rest is history. Wia was adopted and is now living in a home where she receives lots of love and attention.

It takes a lot of work from everyone at the shelter to create these successful stories. Your support makes it possible and we're thankful to have you as part of our team.



LOST AND FOUND

Harley the cat went missing in November 2015, so naturally his family was very surprised to learn he had been found over one year later. Harley was brought into the shelter in December 2016 and the search for his family began. They were eventually found using the name registered to his tattoo and with some help from Winnipeg Lost Cat Alert. A few days later, he was back with his family in time for the holidays. Without your help, these reunions are not possible.

Keep your pet safe by ensuring they have tattoo identification, a City of Winnipeg licence, microchip and that all contact information is kept up to date.



Far left: Doug is a big lovable Mastiff. One day our staff noticed he was limping.

Left: You supported Doug when he needed surgery on his paw. Our clinic staff removed a large splinter.

Top: The splinter was roughly the size of a quarter. Thanks to your support, Doug quickly recovered from the surgery and was adopted.

Doug is a big lovable dog with a heart of gold. Your gift gave this sweet guy all the opportunity in the world. Doug was treated for heartworm and needed recovery time in a foster home. During that time, he also worked on his kennel training skills, which helped relieve his anxiousness.

Doug was nearly ready for his home, but we noticed he was limping and his front paw looked infected.

The clinic noticed there was a splinter lodged inside Doug's paw and it needed to be removed. The size of the splinter astonished us: it was the size of a quarter!

Doug felt a lot better after the splinter was removed and we're happy to say he was adopted just a few days after recovering from surgery. From the behaviour training to clinic care, you helped Doug out in so many ways. Thank you.

BAM BAM AND CAROLINE ARE FUREVER BECAUSE OF YOU

Because of your support, the WHS created a new Behaviour Wellness Specialist position and we've already seen the positive impact on the well-being of animals. Bam Bam and Caroline arrived as strays in separate incidents. Both were fearful and needed our patience.

Our Behaviour Wellness Specialist gave them places to hide and slowly socialized with them. Soon, we realized these cats were drawn to each other. Bam Bam and Caroline's personalities started to shine when sharing the same living space. Because of you Bam Bam and Caroline came out of their shells and were adopted together into a home.

Your support not only benefits a pet's physical care, but also their mental well-being which we value just as much.

You help animals across the province

You helped support two northern Manitoba spay and neuter clinics in Norway House and Cross Lake. Dr. Erika Anseeuw and Animal Health Technologist Jennifer brought equipment, medicine and their expertise to the communities to perform dozens of spay/neuter surgeries and

general wellness clinics from November 6-10. Many communities in northern
Manitoba have no access to critical veterinary services and these clinics help
decrease pet overpopulation and improve
the overall well-being and health of
animals in the community. The northern
clinics were a joint-project between the
WHS, Norway House Animal Rescue,
dedicated volunteers, Norway House,
Norway House Cree Nation, Cross Lake
and Pimicikamak Cree Nation.

Because of your support, we could provide the patience and love needed to help Bam Bam and Caroline adjust to living in the shelter.



Litter Box ? Issues?

Is your cat having problems with their litter box? You're not alone. Litter box problems are one of the most frequent calls we receive on our Behaviour Yelp Line. Issues with litter boxes can be frustrating, but we promise that small changes can lead to big differences. Here's a few small things to try:

Take your cat to the vet

If your cat suddenly has litterbox issues, it could be a sign they are having medical problems. The first thing you should do is take your cat to the vet to rule out a medical problem.

Litter box size

Is your cat's litter box large enough? Your cat has a daily ritual in their box so they need the room to move around and dig litter. A litter box should be one and a half times the size of your cat. If you have a kitten or an elderly cat, you might need a box with low sides or roll a towel up next to the box that they can use as a step.



Depth of litter

Did you know the amount of litter in the box can be an issue for your cat? There should be about two inches of litter in the box for your cat. And remember: Just because there's more litter in the box, doesn't mean you need to clean it less.

Your donations support our Behaviour Department, which includes the Behaviour Yelp Line. We're here to answer any questions or concerns you might have about your pet's behaviour.
Call us at 204.988.8808.





VOLUNTEERS ARE MVPS

Did you know the WHS has over 700 active volunteers at any given time? Without them, the WHS wouldn't be able to provide the care, love and attention every animal needs and deserves. The Monthly Volunteer Profile (MVP) features one volunteer per month. Read their profiles at winnipeghumanesociety.ca.

USED BOOK AND MOVIE SALE

The Used Book and Movie sale has been moved to April 8-9. Money raised from the sale goes directly towards the support and care of animals at the WHS. Do you have some gently used books and movies you'd like to donate to the sale? We will begin accepting donations for the sale on February 13.

From top right, clockwise: A northern Manitoba spay and neuter clinic in Norway House and Cross Lake received support from donors like you and was not possible without community support. Yoga, Pilates and More raised \$180. Emily celebrated her 19th birthday by asking for donations. So'Lanna asked for donations to the WHS for her 7th birthday. Adam York Photography raised over \$3,000 with its Pet Pics with Santa Paws event. Thank you RANA Respiratory Care Group for donating an Oxygen Concentrator to the WHS.













You support animals in need through a variety of creative events and initiatives. Here are just a few of the way you helped support the WHS.

Thank you to **Skybridge Americas** for raising \$290.00 with your pet photo contest fundraiser!

Vanessa & Isabell worked very hard making bookmarks to sell for donations to the Winnipeg Humane Society! They were sold around their school and they made \$100.00 for the WHS!

Thank you to the 11th Annual **Daniel James Epp Golf Tournament** for raising over \$4,000.00!

Thank you to the **Winnipeg Goldeyes Baseball Club** for holding a Bark in the Park and raising \$2,084.00!

Oksana, Rachel & Sasha had a bracelet sale to raise funds for the WHS!

Winnipeg Mennonite Elementary School had a Grade 2 Class Fundraiser and raised over \$165.00!

Ava, Jessa and Nate raised \$100.00 with their Lemonade Stand!

Thank you **Yoga, Pilates and more** for raising \$180.00!

Thank you to **Mikayla, Addison, Lauren and Sung Woo** for holding a Candy Shop Sale!

Fun Mountain Waterslide Park held a Paws in the Park and raised \$1,000,00!

Thank you **Aline Caron** for holding a Garage Sale/BBQ that raised \$200.00!

Ecole LaVerendrye had a Grade 4, 5, 6 fundraiser, and raised \$500.00! Thank you!

A big thank you to **Rana Respiratory Care Group** for donating an oxygen
concentrator to our clinic. We took it to
our remote spay and neuter clinics in
Norway House and Cross Lake!

Adam York Photography continued its longstanding tradition and hosted Pet Pics with Santa Paws. This year they raised \$3,102.59. Thank you!

Cars for Critters

Melvin Nelson Matthew Hiebert Stephen Lindsey Sara Weselake Estate of Therese Lagimodiere Patricia Loades James Sinclair Dianna Pvne Marnie Ives Melissa Muir Gordon Malinoski Sachit Mehra Laura Irwin Fiona Baranesky Loyola Bagui Linda Cermak Murray Rougeau James Betteridge Christopher Petrie Jason Miller Brenda Nowosad Audrev Moore Donald Reichert Nell Yapps Allan Colvine Matthew Montgomery Alexandre Cadieux Sharlene Brisbois Richard Howes Rafael Morales Ferrufino Yolanda McDonald David Woods

George Sorokowski Ritchard Istace Goria Collins Christopher L. Wiggins Charlie Brosch Tracy Brisson Cielo Beltran Ron Bay Jeff Sewell Deborah Lyon Dean Maherny Susan Postma Denise English Debbie Ohrling Michael Skalany Richard Nichol Dale Caswell Leanne Ainley Corey Daly

Critter Caretakers

Here are just some of the people who raised money on their birthdays for the Winnipeg Humane Society!

Maddie Frost
Izzy Mruss
Allana Fletcher
Lauren Robertson
Kathryn Magarrell
Clare Dorrington
Sam Powell
Laurence Houle

Avery Carter Mika Tenkula Gillian Coulter Norah Falk Inez Mayberry Ella Weir Dakota Lagasse Isabella Peters Aubrie Miller Ava Grande Brynn McCurdy Sydney Barron Hannah Kroeker Lindsay and Medow Sutherland Chelsea Lamoureux Delaney Kolowca So'Lanna Dellaire Ron Mendres Casey Stevens

Other Fundraisers!

Dylan and Hudson
Rayne and Rose
Ashworth Children's Centre
Alex and Payton Pistawko
Brian Bachewwich and Julie
McKie
Justine Gale
Gino Palmieri
Alycia Gosek
Rosalie Magel
Denise & Ella

Owens-Kruk Henry G. Izatt Middle School Lincoln Middle School Shaftesbury High School Evelien Meuwese Harstone Children's Centre Ava, Jessa and Nate Young Erin Doiron Zoey Walker Henry and Mabel Harrington Neil Armstrong Samantha Reitmeier Casa Montessori and Orff School Inc. Health Science Centre Pain Management Centre

Weddings

Erin McElroy
Garret & Madi
Wilkinson
Rosalie Brandt &
Todd Brandt
Brent Broten &
Christine Gies

Artis REIT







Clockwise, left to right: Thank you to everyone who donated and sent back quilt pieces, together we raised over \$42,000 for the animals. We would like to thank Susan Costagna for donating her time and fabric making the quilts. Thank you the Winnipeg Goldeyes Baseball Club for raising \$2,084 at Bark in the Park. Shawne and Kathy of Wildewood Golf donated \$425 of their tips to the WHS, thank you!

GIFT SHOP

ALL MONEY RAISED SUPPORTS ANIMALS AT THE WHS



ZACK AND ZOEY CLASSIC NOR'EASTER JACKET (\$18,99 - \$31,99)

Zack and Zoey jackets are stylish for your dog and practical for the worst cold weather. The reversible coat is reflective and offers greater visibility when you're outside walking your pooch. Sizes range from X-small to X-large.



MUTTLUKS (\$35.99 - \$46.99)

Designed and made in Canada, Muttluks offer 'pawsitive relief' for your dog when they're on the move outdoors. The soles are flexible and adapt to your canine companion's movement. Sizes range from X-small to XX-large



SNOOZZY PET BED (\$39.99)

Give your pet the best sleep with a Snoozzy bed. The high bed walls are designed to lend security while giving your pet warmth and support. Your pet deserves maximum comfort, which begins with Snoozzy. Available in a variety of colours and sizes.



S HID CAMPS

You support tomorrow's humane leaders today with a variety of educational youth programming. Kid Camps give children the opportunity to learn and practice responsible pet ownership. We believe in our youth and know they are a key part in creating a better world for all animals to live in.

We open our doors to youth on inservice school days and teach the joys and responsibilities of having a pet. We also give kids a look inside our shelter and show them how we find animals happy homes. All of this is balanced with plenty of crafts, games and time with the animals.

Inservice Day Camp Dates:

March 17 • April 21

WHS Spring Break Kid Camp:

March 27-31

For more information and to register visit WinnipegHumaneSociety.ca or call 204.982.2046

BMO

Every time you tap your credit card, you can help cover the cost of care for an animal in need. The BMO Winnipeg Humane Society MasterCard



supports the necessary medical care and behaviour support an animal needs for a successful adoption. Every time you use the card for your everyday purchases a donation is made to the WHS from BMO at no extra cost to you.

PETPLAN

When you sign up for Petplan Pet Insurance the WHS receives \$30 per adopter. Not only does Petplan provide a safety net for your own furry



loves ones, signing up is also a great way to donate to pets. You help our animals by helping your own.

Wish List:

FOR THE ANIMALS:

- · Canned cat and dog food
- Newspapers

FOR THE OFFICE:

- Laminating sheets
- · Blank CD's

ADOPTION

- Yarn for our volunteers who knit animal blankets. If you would like to knit blankets the ideal size is 2 x 2 feet
- Durable dog toys

BEHAVIOUR

- Gentle Leader headcollars (size: medium and large)
- · Soft dog treats

CLINIC

- · Used medical equipment
- Towels (bath size preferred)

FOSTER

- Kitchen scales
- · Small to medium cat carriers

ANIMAL PROTECTION

- Duct tape
- · USB drives

AIRMILES

• You can also help the WHS help animals when you use the WHS Air Miles Card.

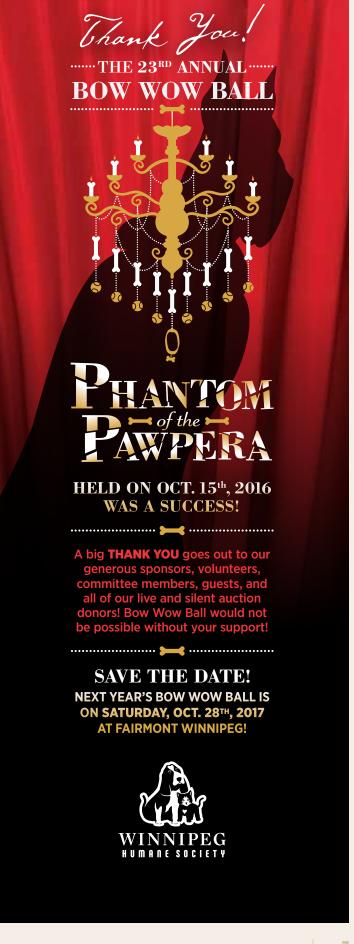


TAKE YOUR MLA TO WORK DAY

Fort Garry-Riverview MLA James Allum visited the WHS Clinic on October 28 as part of Take Your MLA to Work Day.

> It was in celebration of Disability Employment Awareness Month in October.

> > Thank you to Mr. Allum for visiting with Simon and learning about his important role in the clinic. And a big thank you to Simon and the amazing job he does in the clinic. He is an important member of our team.





Sparky, the dog on the right, met his new family because of the Trial to Adopt program.

What's New AT THE WHS



The WHS is always evolving to meet the needs of animals in our community. We're excited to share our new initiatives with you that are helping both cats and dogs. These new programs are only possible because of your support. Thank you. Do you have any questions or comments about our new programs? We'd love to hear from you. Please contact us at 204.988.8810 or communications@winnipeghumanesociety.ca.

Trial to Adopt program

We know there are many dogs in our care that make great family pets. But unfortunately sometimes the sights, sounds and smells of the shelter prevent a dog from putting their best paw forward when meeting potential adopters. The Trial to Adopt program is designed to increase the chances of finding homes for these dogs. The potential adopting family can welcome the dog home for a two week trial period, receive support from our staff along the way, and a round of Family Dog or one-on-one behaviour classes. If the dog doesn't fit in with the family, we will welcome the dog back to the shelter and offer the family a full refund. The Trial to Adopt program has been a success, with many dogs finding their new homes right away.

Care to Adopt program

One of the biggest challenges the WHS faces is finding space to care for incoming cats. The Care to Adopt program is designed to ease the number of incoming cats and complete adoptions before cats arrive at the shelter.

Instead of found cats being taken directly to the shelter, the WHS is asking finders to care for cats for a two week period. During that time the WHS will attempt to locate the cat's family and arrange to reunite them. If the cat is determined to be stray, the finder has the chance to adopt the cat for a fee that includes spay/neutering, vaccinations and identification – including a City of Winnipeg cat licence.



Cats like Tortellini are benefitting from the Care to Adopt program.

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Animal receiving, lost & found

204.982.2025

Behaviour Yelp Line: 204.988.8808

Cruelty & Abuse Complaints 204.982.2028

Emergency (animals in distress)

204.982.2020

204.988.8804

Donations & Tax Receipts 204.982.2041

Pet Loss and Grief Support