Barron Finds Faith

Dogs receive comfort from each other

Injured kitten rescued

Focusing on pet retention

Keeping pets busy in winter

Salt needed for Eastern Kentucky horses
Christmas Pup
Sammy would like to say Merry Christmas to the staff at KHS. Thank you for helping him find his forever home with us. He loves his new home and fireplace on cold nights.

Beth Richmond Ellis

A Special Gift
December 26 marked one year since our sweet little Lucinda (a.k.a. Lucy) joined our family. She has been a great addition, and our life is even better because she is in it. When we adopted her, she was called May. She came to us very afraid and jittery. Now she loves to be underfoot and be involved in everything we do. Thank you for allowing us to adopt this special gift!

Samantha Nicole Fowler

The Adventures of Bella
It has now been two years since we adopted our sweet little pittie Miss Bella. She is very much enjoying her forever home! We hope to have her love for many more years and in the near future add a little pittie brother from KHS! Thank you for rescuing this sweet girl and having the Christmas special, which allowed me to adopt her!

Kylee Ohlrich

Mr. Cuddles Is a Blessing
I am so thankful that we adopted Mr. Cuddles “Olaf” Beverly today. He is such a blessing and an amazing cat. I knew he was supposed to come home with us the moment I laid eyes on him. Thank you, KHS.

Love-Alimah Beverly

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Dear Friends,

As I sat down to write this letter, my cattle dog Cate was sleeping by my feet in my home office, and terrier Daisy was snoozing by the fireplace. The wind swirled outside, while our horses and donkey were contentedly eating hay in their warm barn, and our Working Cats had just woken up from a winter nap in the cozy hay loft.

I couldn’t help but think how grateful I am for the companion animals in my life. Each has his or her own unique personality, and each adds so much to my life. My love for companion animals and desire to help those who cannot help themselves inspired me to pursue a career in animal welfare 26 years ago.

Back then, animal welfare was very different than it is now. Few people envisioned a day when every adoptable pet could find a home. There were simply too many animals and not enough homes. But now, because of your donations and our community’s commitment to spaying/neutering and adopting, we are achieving what was once seen as impossible.

I am proud that the Kentucky Humane Society has been a regional and national leader in lifesaving. In 2015, KHS:

• Found loving homes for 6,379 cats and dogs
• Launched our Equine C.A.R.E. (connect, assist, rescue, educate) program to save at-risk horses
• Spayed or neutered over 10,714 pets at our donor-supported S.N.I.P. Clinic in Louisville, and gelded 70 stallions
• Started the S.N.I.P. Clinic’s Healthy Pets Program, which provides low-cost basic wellness services to cats and dogs
• Answered over 4,800 questions to our free Pet Help Line, 502-509-4PET, which provides free behavioral advice and connections to local pet resources
• Helped hundreds of animals avoid being surrendered to shelters by providing their owners with the support they needed to keep their pets

As a supporter, you are vital to our success. Thank you for being a partner with us on this amazing journey.

Tonight, if there are companion animals with you, give them an extra hug and tell them how grateful you are to have them in your life. And then thank yourself for doing your part to help companion animals.

In gratitude,

Lori Kane Redmon
Kentucky Humane Society

By the Numbers

6,379 shelter pets found homes in 2015.
Of those, 2,313 were felines and 4,066 were canines.

10,714 pets were spayed or neutered at our high-quality, donor-supported S.N.I.P. Clinic from January through December. Since opening in 2007, the clinic has altered more than 85,000 cats and dogs from Louisville and surrounding counties.

On the Cover
Barron was grief-stricken and without hope until Faith entered his life.

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A couple saw his glowing eyes along the side of the road as they drove down a dark, rural highway in Eastern Kentucky. It was a bitterly cold night last January.

Barron, a young Beagle mix with velvety ears, was lying there shivering next to the frozen, snow-covered body of another dog. A dog clearly loved by Barron.

When a local rescuer who was called to the scene tried to move him, Barron cried out and strained to get back to his deceased friend.

“When I did get the leash around his neck and tried pulling him away, he instantly started crying,” Sheena Maynard of Dumas Rescue told reporter Ryan Cummings from WDRB. “He tried to dig his way back to the mate, and then he covered back over it and cried.”

It was heartbreaking. The dog was inconsolable, apparently consumed with grief. Eventually, Sheena picked him up and carried him to her car.

“He stretched his neck out of the window and then cried until we got out of sight,” she said.

Sheena tried to comfort the grieving dog. That night, she offered him more food than he could possibly eat. She gave him toys and blankets. But he barely lifted his head. The next morning, the dog – whom Sheena named Barron – was no better.

Sheena wanted to do something to help this poor dog. He needed to fill the void that was left in his heart. She had an idea: She called animal rescue friends to see if anyone had a dog she could introduce to Barron. Perhaps Barron could bond with a new dog who could help him heal from his grief.

That afternoon, she received a gentle Lab mix. She had a soft, creamy coat and a friendly smile. She, too, had suffered loss: she was without a family of her own.

“I had a feeling when I looked into those eyes that she was exactly what Barron needed,” Sheena said.

She decided to name the dog Faith.

Sheena introduced Barron to Faith, and the two instantly became best friends. They did everything together: they ate together, slept together, played together.

After a few days with Sheena, the bonded pair came to the Kentucky Humane Society. Our mission: to find the perfect home for them – together.

Deb Corbett, a science teacher at Assumption High School, was on the KHS website one evening after work. A student had told her about a dog at KHS looking for a home. Deb and her husband, Tim, always have five dogs. Two of their dogs had recently passed away, so there was suddenly an “opening” for two more.

“The universe has decided that five dogs is how many we should have,” says Deb with a gentle laugh. The Corbetts live in a rural area of Southern Indiana where their rescue dogs enjoy romping and playing in their fenced property.
On the KHS website, Deb read about Barron and Faith, the two dogs who had found comfort in each other. She was moved by their story. She felt their sweet personalities would fit in well with her current pack. The Corbetts brought their resident dogs in to meet Barron and Faith. The dogs got along great, and the family decided to adopt the loving Beagle and gentle Labrador mix.

A year later, the dogs are still the best of friends.

“Barron and Faith are still bonded to each other,” says Deb. “Faith treats Barron like her baby – she loves to groom him.”

But the dogs have also bonded with the pack. Each evening, Deb takes all five dogs for a walk. After a long adventure, each is eager to return home, where they fall asleep in a pile together and have happy doggy dreams.

39 Dogs Saved from Abuse and Neglect Find Homes

On November 5, 39 dogs and puppies arrived at the Kentucky Humane Society (KHS) after they were rescued by Animal Rescue Corps (ARC).

KHS is an ARC placement partner; as such, KHS provides shelter, medical care and behavioral help for animals rescued by ARC from abuse and neglect until they can be adopted out by KHS.

The dogs were primarily from two cases: Operation Autumn Angels, which involved more than 60 breeding dogs and puppies saved from a horrific puppy mill in Ecru, MS; and Operation Fall Freedom, in which 82 dogs were removed from a shuttered rescue organization in Tennessee.

The dogs’ ages ranged from eight weeks to seniors. The dogs had a variety of health and behavioral issues that are common with puppy mills and hoarding-type situations, such as eye, ear, skin and mouth infections and fearfulness/lack of socialization.

While most of the rescued dogs recovered from their ordeals quickly, a few needed more time to adjust. One of those was Wisteria, a three-year-old poodle who had been used as a breeder.

A KHS staff member, Kristin Seaman, took Wisteria home to foster her. Slowly Wisteria learned to trust and adjusted to living in a home for the first time in her life. In December, Wisteria was finally ready for adoption. She was adopted by a family with the patience to rehabilitate abused animals. She was the last of the dogs to find her home.

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KHS Staffer Rescues Kitten

Kitten Struck by Car Finds a New Life with Rescuer

Last September, a Kentucky Humane Society employee was driving home when she learned a tiny kitten had been struck by a car. Sadly, no one had stopped to help. Not willing to let the kitten die alone by the side of the road, Kelly decided she had to try to find that kitten. She pulled over and talked with a guard near the Amazon fulfillment center. He told Kelly where the accident had happened, and she began her search.

After diligently searching in the long grass, Kelly finally located the kitten. What she found left her speechless: the poor, three-month-old Torbie mix was covered in blood. One of her front legs was mangled and hung limp. Her other front leg appeared damaged as well, but the kitten was able to use it to hobble. She had multiple spots where her fur had been scraped or rubbed off from the car’s impact, and her eye was swollen.

Her gums were extremely pale, but luckily, she had not gone into shock.

Kelly – an Admissions Technician accustomed to handling sick and injured animals – decided to take the tiny kitten home. The next day, Kelly brought “Flicka” to KHS where she was able to receive the medical care and attention she needed and deserved.

Flicka spent the next month in foster care with Kelly, where she healed and began to enjoy life again. Despite the damage done to her limbs from the car’s impact, Flicka learned to walk, climb, pounce and do many other things normal kittens do.

After Flicka received a clean bill of health from the KHS veterinarian, Kelly decided she couldn’t part with the kitten. Kelly adopted Flicka and welcomed her into her forever home, where she will always be loved and cared for.

In November, the Kentucky Humane Society adopted out its 500th Working Cat. The Working Cat Program, which began in 2011, finds outdoor homes in barns, stables, even factories and breweries for cats who for some reason are unable to be adopted to an indoor-only home.

Some cats, like Salt (pictured to the right), are loving companions but just never got the hang of using a litter box or prefer to be indoor/outdoor cats. Others may be feral or semi-feral and find that too much time with people is stressful. Whatever their reason, these cats thrive in their new homes. Our Working Cats work for a living, helping with rodent populations. In return, owners provide food, water, shelter and veterinary care to the cats.

To learn more about this lifesaving program, visit kyhumane.org/working-cats.
Safety Net Programs Help Pets and Owners

The Kentucky Humane Society is a leader in “pet safety net programs,” which provide assistance to pet owners so they can keep their beloved pets. When pets stay in their homes and out of shelters, everyone wins: the pet who doesn’t want to leave, their owner who loves them, and the shelter that can focus on animals who truly need the help. Here are just a few ways we are assisting pets and the people who love them.

Beloved Dogs Stay in Their Home

When Linda Spencer contacted KHS, she was ready to surrender her dog. Molly was a rambunctious Pit Bull/Hound mix who could knock Linda down and who was a destructive chewer. In addition, Molly was not spayed, and male dogs were very interested in her. Linda could not afford puppies or the spay procedure.

KHS Pet Help Line Coordinator Shelby Schulz spoke to Linda about her issues with Molly. As they talked, Shelby learned more about Linda and Linda’s other dog, Mickey, a neutered Chihuahua whom Linda adopted after his owner died. Shelby learned that Mickey was a door darter who, in the past, had been turned in as a stray to local shelters numerous times.

Shelby believes in establishing relationships with her callers. She has found that listening and learning more about the person and the issue sometimes brings to light possible solutions.

Shelby offered Linda a free voucher for Molly’s spay surgery and gave Linda a crate to use for crate training. Shelby also offered Linda advice for Mickey’s door-darter ways and provided collars and identification tags for both dogs.

After Molly’s spay surgery and with crate training, Linda feels she can keep her. “If it weren’t for the help Shelby provided, I don’t think we could have kept Molly, but now we can,” Linda says with relief in her voice.

The KHS Pet Help Line, 502-509-4PET, provides free behavioral advice over the phone and referrals to local pet resources to thousands of local pet owners a year. This proactive pet retention program supports owners so they can keep their pets in their homes and out of shelters. Anyone can call to receive free advice on any pet-related questions.

Senior Gets to Keep Companion

Donna Key was at her wit’s end when she contacted KHS. Donna is a senior citizen living on a fixed income. Her husband passed away several years ago, and she adopted Toby, a Jack Russell Terrier/Beagle mix, to keep her company.

Toby has always been dog reactive, but Donna was not concerned about it when she lived in a house with a yard. Recently, some health complications required she move into a senior living apartment complex. The complex is dog-friendly, and Toby was barking and straining at the leash at other dogs every time she tried to take him for a walk. It was getting to the point that she wasn’t sure she could keep him.

Donna called our Behavior Manager, Kat Rooks, to ask about private training. Living on a fixed income, she couldn’t afford our normal rates. However, grants from the ASPCA gave us funds to help those with limited resources.

“I wish that I had a recording of the joy in her voice when I told her that we would be able to help. We both ended up in tears (happy ones) by the end of the conversation,” says Kat.

Donna and Toby completed two private lessons. She can now walk him through the lobby of her apartment building without issue, and his comfort level with other dogs has improved to the point that he even had a play session with our trainer’s dog. This was the first time Donna had ever seen Toby play with another dog.
When the weather outside is frightful, our pets are still ready to play! Physical exercise and mental stimulation are just as important in the winter months but can be tougher when outside activities are limited. However, you can keep your pet active and engaged in your home.

**Dogs**

**Flirt Pole:** A flirt pole lets you wear your pup out and reinforce good manners. As a bonus, it takes almost no energy from you, but gets your dog running! It looks like an oversized “fishing pole” cat toy. You can buy it online or make one yourself. We have a quick tutorial on our blog, kyhumane.org/blog.

Once you get a pole, have your dog sit, leave the toy, and then give the cue to chase it. Maneuver the pole in a circle or side to side and let your dog chase the toy. Allow your dog to catch it and have a moment to enjoy his victory. Then have your dog drop the toy, and start over again. End the play session by trading the toy for a tasty treat.

**Puzzle Toys:** Puzzle toys are a great way to keep your dog mentally stimulated. There are a variety of toys on the market and many you can make. (See our blog for a simple DIY puzzle toy.) Puzzle toys keep him entertained by requiring him to figure out how to release or find the hidden treats. It is important to start with easy toys and progress to harder ones. If your dog cannot figure out the toy, he may become disinterested. Toys can be found in pet stores, and Pinterest has many DIY versions.

**Kibble Hunt:** This game is a great way to keep your dog occupied mentally and physically. Hide your dog’s kibble around the house. Start by hiding the treats so they are easy to find. As your dog starts to understand the game, make the hiding spots harder.

**Cats**

**Ball Pit:** This is an easy and low-cost way to keep your cat active and entertained. Take a handful of ball-style cat toys. Put them in your bathtub. Entice your cat into the bathtub with treats. When she is in the tub, roll the balls around. Once your cat gets into the game, she will keep it going herself as the balls roll in the tub.

**Puzzle Toys:** Puzzle toys aren’t just for dogs! Pet stores and Pinterest have plenty of puzzles just for felines. Here’s how to make my favorite DIY cat puzzle toy: Cut the top off a tissue box. Stack and glue toilet paper rolls to fill the box. Hide cat treats in random toilet paper roll compartments. Your cat will have to figure out which hold treats and pull them out!

**Box Castle:** Wondering what to do with leftover boxes? Make fun hideouts for your cat! Build a tunnel with windows, a maze, a castle. The Internet is sure to give you some ideas. Your cat will have fun exploring your construction, and you might get some laughs out of her shenanigans.

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**Ask the Experts**

Got a pet-related question? Call our Pet Help Line to receive free advice and connect to local pet resources, **(502) 509-4PET** or visit kyhumane.org/help. Our Pet Help Line is made possible by grants from the ASPCA (American Society for the Prevention of Cruelty to Animals) and the Banfield Foundation. The Pet Help Line is designed to help keep pets in their homes and out of shelters by giving owners the tools they need to have healthy relationships with their pets.
Adoption Specials Empty the Shelter

October 17-18, the Kentucky Humane Society participated in the ASPCA’s (American Society for the Prevention of Cruelty to Animals) Mega Match-a-thon. Over the course of the two days, all but two dogs and a dozen cats at our Main Campus were adopted. We couldn’t have done it without the support of the ASPCA and Subaru, which sponsored this event. We thank both organizations.

KHS held a second great adoption special the four days following Thanksgiving. During the Black Friday Weekend adoption special, 179 pets were adopted. This special was due to the support of Best Friends Animal Society and Zappos.com. We are grateful for their generosity, making the adoption special possible.

Dog Training Program Earns PEDIGREE Grant

The PEDIGREE Foundation has awarded the Kentucky Humane Society a $25,000 Innovation Grant for a unique dog-training program that matches veterans with shelter dogs.

PROUD (Patriot Rehabilitation of Untrained Dogs) is a volunteer, foster-based program that pairs veterans and active military personnel and their families with dogs that exhibit behavioral issues that can make them challenging to adopt. KHS is partnering with Active Heroes, a nonprofit dedicated to preventing military suicides, on this initiative.

KHS trainers instruct veterans and military families to become dog trainers, or “military handlers,” to help their dogs overcome behavioral issues, such as shyness or lack of manners. KHS provides all necessary supplies and training. The dogs spend about one month in their foster homes before they are ready for adoption.

“Training shelter dogs in foster homes can help them learn important skills that make them easier to adopt and help ensure the dogs remain in their new homes and are not returned to shelters once they are adopted,” said Gabriel Miller, KHS behavior trainer and U.S. Army veteran.

Active Heroes also thinks the program will be beneficial to military men and women.

“Many military men and women suffer from post-traumatic stress disorder and feelings of isolation post-war or post-trauma. By training dogs, we believe they are getting a new mission in their civilian life, which can help reduce the stress and feelings of isolation,” says Troy Yocum, Active Heroes President and Founder.

PROUD is based on a successful prison-based program that KHS ran for two years called Prisoner Rehabilitation of Untrained Dogs. That program ended in December 2014, and KHS began exploring home-based training options.

Become a PROUD Handler

KHS is seeking veterans, active-duty military, reservists and National Guard, dependents and Gold Star Families to join PROUD. To learn more about this program, contact Gabriel Miller at PROUD@kyhumane.org, or leave a message at 502-272-1058.

Behavior trainer Gabriel Miller with Oreo, who received behavioral help before adoption
Salt and Hay Needed for Free-Roaming Horses

In September, Kentucky Humane Society staff and volunteers visited free-roaming horses in Eastern Kentucky. These are not wild horses, but domestic horses that have been turned out to fend for themselves on Kentucky’s coal reclamation sites. Some are owned, others are abandoned, and still others were born there and are feral.

While many of the horses were fat and sleek from summer grazing, others were not faring so well. Many suffered from hoof, teeth, eye or skin issues. Many mares were nursing not just this year’s foal, but yearlings as well – further depleting their overwhelmed bodies.

The one thing they all had in common? They were starved for salt. Salt is an essential nutrient for horses. Horses with extreme salt deprivation may experience muscle incoordination and may stop eating and may not drink enough to stay hydrated.

The KHS Equine CARE (connect, assist, rescue and educate) team distributed salt blocks to five herds totaling more than 200 horses. What the team saw astounded them.

“I have never seen horses so hungry for salt before,” says Lori Redmon, KHS President and CEO. “Many of the horses were kicking and shoving each other, trying to get to the salt blocks. This is not normal herd behavior. It was clear they were desperate for the nutrient.”

In the winter, free-roaming horses often leave their mountain pastures to lick the salt off of cars and roads – creating a dangerous hazard for motorists.

To help protect horses and people alike, the Equine CARE team is distributing salt and hay to free-roaming horses this winter. But they need help. Horses can eat up to four bales of hay a week and a 50-pound salt block every two weeks. It costs $5 for each bale of hay and $5 for every salt block.

Want to help support our salt and hay drive? Please give online at kyhumane.org/equine-donate. If you prefer to mail a check, make it payable to KHS and write “horses” on the memo line. Mail to: Kentucky Humane Society, 1000 Lyndon Lane, Louisville, KY 40222.

Equine CARE: One Year Anniversary

A year ago this month, the Kentucky Humane Society announced the creation of its Equine CARE (connect, assist, rescue and educate) program, which is dedicated to helping Kentucky’s horses. It’s been a busy first year! During this time, KHS has:

- Gelded 69 stallions in Eastern Kentucky, ensuring fewer free-roaming and unwanted horses will be born. Gelding is the term for castration of a male horse. Our gelding clinics are funded by the ASPCA (American Society for the Prevention of Cruelty to Animals).
- Saved 25 orphaned foals. These foals lost their mothers at just a few days old. Without KHS’ assistance, most would have died.
- Removed 12 horses from dangerous situations and have already found 11 of them loving homes.

We were able to save these horses thanks to generous donors who support our lifesaving mission. Thank you for your support!
Mark Your Calendar for These Events

We have a number of great events planned for this year, and we can’t wait to share them with you. Please mark these events on your calendar and plan on making them a part of your spring and summer.

Wags to Riches

We’re working with artists and budding artists to paint our Belly Banks, whimsical banks left in area shops to collect money for KHS. Over $8,000 is raised annually through the Belly Bank program, and this year we want to make them special.

The banks have been secured and distributed. Now comes the fun part. We’ll have an opening on March 10 at Copper & Kings, 1121 E. Washington St., Louisville, to show off their work and select the best designs in both youth and adult categories. Our guests will enjoy a tasting, tour, appetizers and live music while they vote on the best adult and youth designs by donating money into the banks. At the end of the evening, the bank in each category with the most donations will be declared the winner. We invite everyone to attend this fun event. It’ll be a chance to support your favorite artist and help KHS.

Waggin’ Trail

On May 21, join other animal lovers for a walk and festival event on the Waterfront. Our annual Waggin’ Trail is a great time to visit with other people who love pets and a great fundraiser for KHS. We hope to see you there!

Dog Day at the Park

The Louisville Bats and Slugger Field will once again host several dog days at the park. Bring your best buddy and enjoy an evening under the stars while the Bats bring their magic to the field. This year we have days scheduled for May 3, June 14 and August 23. Proceeds from your pooch’s ticket go to help our shelter pets.

Tuxes & Tails

KHS’ annual Tuxes & Tails Benefit Auction and Gala is August 13. This year, the event will be held at the Marriott East. It’s one heck of a party. Don’t miss it!

Picture Your Pets with Santa Success!

We want to thank everyone who volunteered at Picture Your Pets with Santa. The event couldn’t go on without your Herculean efforts. Thank you for making our customers’ days brighter and bringing a bit of magic to the holidays.

We want to thank, too, all you who had photos taken at Picture Your Pets with Santa. Your generosity and good spirits during the event warmed our hearts and helped our shelter pets. Picture Your Pets with Santa is one of our big fundraisers each year, and this year was no exception. More than 2,600 families came out to get photos and help shelter animals.

Finally, a big thanks to Feeders Supply, which hosts Picture Your Pets with Santa every year. We couldn’t enjoy this success without you.

Volunteers help get pets’ attention behind the scenes for the perfect Picture Your Pets with Santa photograph.
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One-year-old Emery is a happy girl who is learning names. She found an energetic family to keep up with her, and was adopted at the Springhurst Readers Supply adoption center.
Boo Boo is an adorable and loving seven-year-old Domestic Shorthair Tabby mix. He’s a loving boy who waits for his forever home at the KH & Main Campus.
A Committed Coach

Looking for a fun, rewarding way to help local homeless pets? Become a Kentucky Humane Society volunteer. In this article, we focus on our Canine Coaches, who provide exercise and training to adult dogs at the shelter. Canine Coaches provide much-needed socialization and enrichment to our dogs. To learn more about all our volunteer opportunities, visit kyhumane.org/volunteer.

by Lara Kinne, Communications Intern

If you’ve ever been around the Kentucky Humane Society’s Main Campus on a Saturday, chances are you’ve seen Mike Grisanti walking a hound or two across the grounds. Mike is a Canine Coach. He started volunteering nearly 10 years ago. The time came to volunteer after he visited an animal shelter and was shocked by the amount of animals who needed homes.

“I knew I couldn’t take them all home, but figured I could do something to help,” he said. “KHS was the largest nonprofit animal shelter in the area, so I attended the next volunteer orientation.”

Mike has since given his time in almost all areas of the shelter from foster care to leading volunteer orientations, but Canine Coaching was always his calling. “The adult dogs take longer to adopt out. People generally want a puppy, so I figured I could make a difference working with adult dogs.”

Canine Coaching is one of the many volunteer positions available at KHS. This one is particularly important because it gives our shelter dogs regular exercise and social interactions. The activity keeps them relaxed and happy during their stay; naturally, our volunteers enjoy the benefits of walking and socializing with the animals.

Mike specializes in the large, adult canines that require a bit more physical strength and patience. He teaches them basic commands, how to walk on a leash, and ensures that every one on the adoption floor is given appropriate attention.

When he’s not volunteering, Mike likes to run half and full marathons. He is the proud owner of “two horrible dogs,” a German Shepherd mix he found as a stray and a Jack Russell Terrier adopted from KHS. Overall, he is a man of few words. But when it comes to being a KHS volunteer, he can talk all about it.

“If you’re an animal lover and want to help make a difference, take a look at KHS’s volunteer opportunities and see if there is something that you would like to do. If there is, give it a shot.”

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