



THE SCOOP

Spring 2017



The cats and dogs shown above are just a handful of those who've been placed in their forever homes in the past year. We thank all of the adopters and people who donate their time, goods, or money towards caring for these animals while at the shelter. Thank you!

From the Editor's Desk:

We take a look back at some of the great things that 2016 brought us. For example, 428 dogs, cats, puppies, and kittens, were cared for by QAS before finding their forever homes. Some of them are featured on our cover.

With tax season, people may be thinking about what to do with their stocks or IRAs. Inside, you'll find ways to make tax-free donations to QAS. Our Shelter Director, Kit Burke, provides us insight into a silent killer of cats and dogs: obesity. Finally, we have 2 wonderful adoption stories about 2 dogs who've found their forever homes.

Our 2nd Purr, Wag, & Wine event will be held on Thursday, April 27 at the Boston Winery. A fun event that helps the shelter raise money for the care of the animals. For more information or to purchase tickets, visit: www.QuincyAnimalShelter.org

With the arrival of Spring, "Kitten Season" starts. During Kitten Season, an influx of pregnant mom cats and cats with newborn kittens will come into the shelter - all of whom need a safe and secure environment for birthing and rearing. During Kitten Season, QAS needs foster homes to provide its mother cats and their kittens a safe place to grow. If you're interested in fostering, please visit: www.QuincyAnimalShelter.org to find out how.

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Animal Control Corner

by Don Conboy

As the warm weather approaches, it is very important to keep your dog leashed and to have control of it at all times as more people and dogs will also be out there.

In the hotter weather, you should make sure that the dog is hydrated and not left out in the sun for any extended period of time.

Sometimes, the dog is better off in the house because even in the shade, there is not enough air or coolness to keep it comfortable. Remember that a dog always has its coat on. Enjoy your spring and summer months!

-Don

Quincy Animal Control Officers

Don Conboy & Bruce DiBella
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ADOPTION HOURS

Tuesday & Thursday: 6-8pm

Saturday: 10am-4pm

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Letter From the Shelter Director, Kit Burke

Obesity in Pets: The Silent Killer

Recently, we have had an influx of dangerously overweight cats; we have had overweight dogs at other times.

Overweight cats (and dogs) are at risk for many of the same weight-related medical issues as humans: heart disease, diabetes, hypertension, and undue stress to their joints and major organs.



23lb. Fiona

For example, **Fiona**, at 23lbs., cannot lie on her side without having difficulty breathing. She cannot effectively run nor jump and the weight is putting her at high risk for diabetes and hypertension. In reality, she should probably weigh 12-15 lbs., making her approximately 40% larger than is healthy! **Murphy** is a whopping 22 lbs. and has the same potential risks as Fiona; including a limited ability to groom himself. **Winnie**, a delightful senior, lost her vision from high blood pressure brought on by excess weight. Obese animals are also at risk for liver problems and even arthritis.

If you saw pets that were 40% underweight, there would be a real outcry of neglect and cruelty. An animal 40% overweight is every bit a victim of cruelty as an underweight one, albeit not malicious!

Most overweight cats are being free-fed. This means leaving a bowl of dry food down all of the time. While some cats can regulate their consumption, most cannot. Most indoor cats are fine with 1/4 cup of *measured* dry food twice a day. They may also enjoy a small amount of wet food daily; say 1/4 of a Friskies sized can. Of course, you should have your veterinarian determine what your particular animal needs.

Overweight dogs are typically being given people food, too many treats, or just too much food. Many people think the proper amount of food “doesn’t look like enough”, but it is! As with humans, metabolism changes due to age and other factors. Again, check with your veterinarian about your dog’s specific needs.

We are literally “killing them with kindness” by not monitoring their food intake. Show your pets how much you really care; change up their diet and feeding style if there is a weight issue!

For more information about cat and dog nutrition, the ASPCA has the following articles:

Cat Nutrition Tips: www.asPCA.org/pet-care/cat-care/cat-nutrition-tips

Dog Nutrition Tips: www.asPCA.org/pet-care/dog-care/dog-nutrition-tips

Kids That Care: Helping Out When Under 18

In order to volunteer in the Shelter with the cats and dogs, a volunteer needs to be at least 18 years old. Where does that leave our animal-loving youth and school classes who want to help?

There are many ways kids can help Quincy Animal Shelter. They can:

- Gather Wish List items for donation;
- Attend a QAS event such as Cause 4 Paws;
- Enlist their teachers' and parents' help to collect donations at school;
- Ask that instead of birthday gifts, friends and family bring Wish List items for donation;
- Hold a lemonade stand to raise money; or
- Make cat or dog treats and sell them in their neighborhood or at their local dog park.

For teachers, arrangements can be made in advance to have a small group of students come in to speak with QAS volunteers, meet some of the cats and dogs in the Shelter, and find out what volunteering at QAS is all about.

For high school aged teens at least 14 years old, they are able to earn community service credits if they assist at a QAS event like Cause 4 Paws if they have a written waiver from their school. Both last year and this year, QAS had a table at the two high school's community service fairs. Last year, QAS' mascot, "Rescue," accompanied QAS Board members, Courtney O'Keefe and Joanne McCarthy, at the fairs. He helped spread the word about QAS and how the youth of Quincy can help even if they're not 18 yet.

QAS would like give a big **THANK YOU** to all of the kids who've made donations and helped QAS out!

Check out the Tributes & Thanks pages for a few of the kids who've recently visited QAS.

Donating to QAS: Types of Tax-Free Donations

There are many ways you can donate to QAS, through cash, check, or in the form of Wish List supplies. A donation in any form will have a significant impact in the lives of thousands of animals. Donations of these types are made using after tax dollars.

Did you know there are other ways you can donate to the Shelter and get a tax break as well? It's a "what's in it for me?" situation. Here are some ways to make tax-free donations to QAS.

Donate Appreciated Stock and Save on Taxes

Cash and property are not the only things you can donate to charity for a tax benefit. Donations of appreciated stock can provide you with excellent tax savings. You can donate any stock that has risen in value, as long as you have owned it for over a year, and avoid any capital gains tax. If you sold the appreciated stock for cash, you would have to pay tax on the amount of appreciation. If you donate appreciated stock, you can deduct 100% of the value on your tax return.

IRA Charitable Rollover Gifts

In 2006, Congress made a change to the tax law that allows individuals over 70 ½-years-old to make charitable gifts in amounts up to \$100K a year directly from a traditional IRA account to one or more qualifying charities without incurring federal income tax on the withdrawal. You can also satisfy all or part of the amount of your required minimum distribution (RMD) from your IRA.

So, what exactly qualifies as a qualified charitable distribution? Here are six tests:

1. The distribution must be made from a traditional or Roth IRA.
2. The distribution must be to a public charity.
3. The required minimum age is 70 ½-years-old.

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4. The distribution must go directly to the charity.
5. The distribution must be deductible as a charitable contribution.
6. The distribution must be otherwise includable in gross income.

The IRA Charitable Rollover provides you with an excellent opportunity to make a gift during your lifetime from an asset that would be subject to multiple levels of taxation if it remained in your taxable estate. Check with your financial planner to find out more about this option.

Charitable Bequest at Death

You can set up a bequest with QAS as the recipient, which will be carried out upon your death. The bequest can be made through your will, a trust, or beneficiary designation. It may be a good choice for retirement funds (e.g., IRA's); charities do not pay income taxes on bequests.

While IRA beneficiary designations and the other bequest-like gifts are fairly easy to arrange, a donor—always—is encouraged to consult with their financial advisor regarding the appropriateness of a contemplated charitable gifts in terms of the donor's overall estate plan.

8 Amazing Things Your Donations Made Possible in 2016

1. \$87,500 - Provided Vet Care:
 - Medical Treatment
 - Spay/Neuter
 - Health Checks
2. \$13,550 - Purchased medicine and medical supplies
3. \$11,000 - Purchased food and litter
4. Found fur-ever homes for 53 dogs, 4 puppies, 184 cats, and 187 kittens
5. Provided shelter for 57 dogs and puppies
6. Provided in-house training for 50 dogs
7. Provided shelter for 371 cats and kittens
8. Helped return 7 lost cats and 1 kitten to their families

Fundraising, donations, and grants are our only source of income.

Thank you for your generosity!



**PURR,
WAG,
& WINE**
WINE TASTING EVENT

FOR
QUINCY ANIMAL SHELTER

AT
THE BOSTON WINERY
26 Ericsson St. (Neponset Circle)
Boston, MA 02122

THURSDAY, APRIL 27, 2017
6-9PM
\$60 PER PERSON FOR THREE POURS

Silent auction, Raffle prizes, Slide show of adopted cats and dogs
Cash bar for wine and beer, Hors d'oeuvres, Musical entertainment.



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PETSPOTLIGHT

Chloe



Chloe is a black and white, 4-year-old female. She came from a quiet home and she will continue to thrive in a quiet home, therefore she'd prefer a home with no kids, other cats, or dogs. She likes her humans once she trusts you!

If you're interested in Chloe, stop by the shelter during our adoption hours: Tuesdays & Thursdays from 6-8pm and Saturdays from 10am-4pm or email our Adoption Manager at: adoptions@quincyanimalshelter.org

Lady



Lady is a 2 1/2-year-old spayed bull breed who has settled into her stay at the shelter nicely. She is full of love. She greets you in the morning with her tail wagging and it doesn't stop. She likes to cuddle and really loves to herd a ball around the kennel. She also loves to fetch. Lady would be best in a home with children over 13.

If you're interested in Lady, stop by the shelter during our adoption hours: Tuesdays & Thursdays from 6-8pm and Saturdays from 10am-4pm or email our Canine Manager at: k9@quincyanimalshelter.org

Adoption Success Story: Mookie (aka Trixie) & Renea

By Liz Goodwin, volunteer



"Trixie" arrived at QAS after her previous owner went on a trip overseas and didn't return. The owner's family, who was temporarily taking care of Trixie (now named "Mookie"), eventually brought the Sheltie to QAS to find a permanent home.

Meanwhile, Renea had been searching for a pet companion, but nothing had panned out. One day, she turned to the QAS website, and that's when she spotted Trixie. Renea had raised Shelties growing up and loved the breed. However, when she called QAS, she learned that Trixie's adoption was already pending. As luck would have it, a few days later, the shelter gave her a call—the adoption had fallen through! So, Renea was invited in to meet Trixie right away. When they met, it was love at first sight and "Mookie" was soon adopted.



Like many adopted pets, Mookie faced potty challenges when she arrived at her new home. There were many accidents, but Renea didn't lose her patience. Instead, she gave puppy pads a try—and they worked! Soon she was able to transition Mookie to go outside. Getting her comfortable with stimuli was another adjustment; the pup didn't have many distractions in her former home. However, with plenty of practice, Mookie became comfortable with her surroundings.

Today, Mookie is a "social butterfly." Humans and animals alike are her best friends. At times, she's a ball of energy, enjoying the outdoors; and at other moments, she's a snuggle bug who loves to be by her mama's side. Rounding out her personality, Mookie is a total goofball who makes everybody laugh.



To her owner, Mookie is more than a dog; she's a best friend, a road trip buddy, and a member of the family. Reflecting on her rescue, Renea says, "I can't imagine my life without her."



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Guardian Angel Sponsorship & Tribute Gift Form

Quincy Animal Shelter offers multiple ways to make a donation in honor of your loved one. Our Guardian Angel Cage & Kennel Sponsorships are available for 3 months, six months, or one year and can be dedicated to a family member, friend, or pet. You may also make a Tribute Gift in someone's name.

All proceeds go towards animal care and operation of the Shelter. Your donation is tax deductible.

Guardian Angel Cage or Kennel Sponsorship Card:

A Guardian Angel card will be placed on a cage or kennel indicating your support. We can also include a photo that you provide.

<input type="checkbox"/> Cat Cage <input type="checkbox"/> Dog Kennel <input type="checkbox"/> \$300 - 1 year <input type="checkbox"/> \$150 - 6 months <input type="checkbox"/> \$75 - 3 months	Name & message to display on card: <input type="checkbox"/> Photo included	 <p>Example Card</p>
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Tribute Gift:

This donation of \$ _____ is: <input type="checkbox"/> in Memory of <input type="checkbox"/> in Honor of Name: _____	Please notify them of this donation (physical address or email):
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Your Information: (Please also use this form to update us if you've moved or changed your address)

Total amount enclosed: \$ _____		<input type="checkbox"/> I want to remain anonymous
Your Name:		
Company (if applicable):		
Street Address:		
City:	State:	Zip Code:
Email Address:		Phone #:

Please make your check payable to: **Quincy Animal Shelter** and mail it along with this form to: Quincy Animal Shelter, P.O. Box 690088, Quincy, MA 02269

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Membership & Donation Form

Support the Quincy Animal Shelter and you will be saving the lives of hundreds of dogs and cats. Each year, QAS rescues, rehabilitates, and finds loving homes for unwanted animals, saving many from a miserable life on the streets and an uncertain future.

All proceeds go towards animal care and operation of the Shelter. Your donation is tax deductible.

Annual Memberships:

As a member, you will receive QAS' periodic newsletter to keep you informed of QAS happenings.

<input type="checkbox"/> \$15 – Student (up to 21 years old)	<input type="checkbox"/> \$250 – Business
<input type="checkbox"/> \$15 – Senior (60+ years old)	<input type="checkbox"/> \$500 – Lifesaver
<input type="checkbox"/> \$25 – Individual	<input type="checkbox"/> \$1,000 – Angel
<input type="checkbox"/> \$50 – Family	

Donations (Non-membership):

Even if you're not interested in becoming a member, QAS also appreciates any donation you can make no matter how small.

Non-membership Donation Amount: \$ _____	
The Mickey Medical Fund (Pays for extraordinary medical care) \$ _____	Wesley's Wish Feral Cat Fund (Pays for the care of feral cats) \$ _____

Contact Information: (Please also update if you've moved or changed your address!)

Your Name:		
Company (if applicable):		
Street Address:		
City:	State:	Zip Code:
Email Address:		Phone #:
Total amount enclosed: \$ _____		<input type="checkbox"/> I want to remain anonymous

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The Quincy Animal Shelter will not share your contact information with any third party.

Adoption Success Story: Charlie & Lynne

By Liz Goodwin, volunteer

Charlie, a 5-year-old Rottweiler/Lab mix, arrived at QAS under unfortunate circumstances. His owners had lost their housing and were moving in with someone who owned a small dog. Because Charlie doesn't get along well with other dogs, his disheartened owners had little choice but to put him up for adoption. Lucky for him, his new home was right around the corner.



Weeks later, while at her job, Lynne had a conversation with a customer about her interest in adopting a dog. The customer, who was a QAS volunteer, raved about Charlie, a relatively new resident at QAS. She encouraged Lynne to stop by the shelter to meet him. Three days later, Lynne and her boyfriend took the volunteer up on her suggestion.

When the couple was introduced to Charlie, they quickly discovered that the 75lb. Rottweiler mix was a gentle giant. He begged for belly rubs upon meeting them and showed off his sentimental side as he gently "spoke" to his squeaky toy. Lynne and her boyfriend were instantly enamored.



Days later, they officially adopted Charlie and brought him home.

For Charlie's forever parents, adjusting him to his new life was an easy transition. Neither classes nor crate training was necessary, contrary to what they had anticipated. "I believe he came from a good home, because he is *extremely* well mannered, gentle, kind, and full of love and happiness," says Lynne.

Charlie is constantly showing off his exemplary behavior. He comes when called; knows "sit," "paw," "lie down," "roll over," and "hug"; and recently learned how to turn off the light switch with his paw.

He's only gotten himself into trouble once, and when he did, Charlie put himself in timeout! "He took something off the counter while I was in the bathroom," said Lynne. "I couldn't find him for a minute, but there he was lying in his crate... with big sad eyes. I was so confused until I saw an empty paper plate on the floor that previously had half a sandwich on it."

Today Charlie is living life to the fullest. He enjoys car rides, belly rubs, chasing squirrels, and ice cream, among other things. Whatever he's doing, his new parents aren't far away. "He is our new best friend and has made us a family," says Lynne. "We feel so lucky and privileged to have found a dog as amazing as Charlie. He is definitely one in a million. We absolutely adore him and we love knowing how much he loves us back."



Success Stories Wanted!

If you have an adoption success story about an animal you've adopted from QAS, please send us a photo & short story to: Quincy Animal Shelter, Attn: Scoop Editor, P.O. Box 690088, Quincy, MA 02269 or email: marketing@quincyanimalshelter.org You may be featured in our next edition! (Please include your contact informaton along with the update.)

Tributes & Thanks

(November 1, 2016 - February 28, 2017)

Donations made in memory of or in honor of special friends

In Memory of:

"Baby" & "Kota" - Robert Woods
"Fintan" Fraser - Sandra Lee
"Griffen" - Mary Beth Chiavaroli
"Jackson" Pimental - Kit, Joanne, Janet, and Peg
"Kitty" - Ann Eliasson
"Louise" - Benjamin Wade
"Marley" - Alice Daly
"Mystical Bell White" a/k/a "Magic", "Ozzie Quincy Goulding", and "Tyler Bell White" - Jennifer Goulding
"Rylee McShane" - John McShane
"Sophie", "Zeva", "Lucky", and "Brisco" - Sue Schroepefer
"Spunky" and "Goldie" Hutchins - Nancy Binner
"Trudy" & "Toby" also IHO "Kali Lee" - Mary Ellen Gaidis
"Zoey" - Carolyn Drew
Carolyn Anderson - Joan Hickey, Linda & David Power, Patrick & Deborah Morrissey, Marcia Smith, The O'Brien Family, George & Therese Dolbec, Irish Cultural Center, John Dolbec, Chris Sullivan, Sam Tang, and Kathleen Ginley
Gilda Andrews - Valerie & Nofri Solimini
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Rick O'Hare - George & Susan O'Hare
Nancy Peterson - Gail Kammer
Irene Rogers - John Rogers and Susan Leyden
Sharon Ross - Ann Gerstel, Falco & Associates Inc., Eye Health Associates, Mr. & Mrs. Francis Stec, Steven Ross, and Kathryn Mueller
Jane Wallace - Donald Shaw

In Honor of:

"Cash" the dog - William Grindley

"Dolly" - Kimbererly Urban
"Louie" QAS class valedictorian 1/8/2008
- Ben Nicholls
"Pip" - Christine McSweeney
"Precious II" - Priscilla Pulgini
"Shadow Quincy Goulding" - Jennifer Goulding
"Sheba" - Kris Luca
Shelter Cats - Louise Wade, Murphy L. Catt, Kimberly Adams, and Steve Nelson
"Sonja" QAS alumni - Mary Ellen Alix
"Stars" & "Stripes" - Jennifer McKiernan
"Sweetheart" - Eleanor McCauley
Betsy Boyle, Kathleen Johnston, and Lois & Fred Miller - Shelley Daigle
Kimberly Brady - Avis Pinkos
Brad Kapcar - Linda & George Kapcar
Ellen "Nell" Kenny (Mom) - Eithnea Kenny
Marc & Kel Larson - Denise Larson
Sue Riley - Merry Christmas from Sue & Robin
Diane Touhy - Alyssa Taglieri-Noble
Sienna's 5th Birthday - Brian Deery
Ms. Elizabeth White - Jennifer Goulding

In Honor of Shelter Volunteers:

Karen DeFrancesco - Judyth O'Hara
Emily Duff - Leonard & Deborah Sambuco
Barbara & John Good, Harriet Hutchinson, and Pat Lynch - Marjorie Donahue
Joanne McCarthy - Joan & Barry McCarthy
Kim Moses, Mary Warner, Paulette Cappadona, and Diane Davis - Shelley Daigle
Janet Nolan - Stephen Drenga
Nicole Noseworthy - Her friends at Constant Contact
Janet Parisi - Helena Zubrin
Cathy Parsons - Terri & Bradley Bloom

Tributes & Thanks (continued)

(November 1, 2016 - February 28, 2017)

Donations made in memory of or in honor of special friends

In Honor of Shelter Volunteers (cont.):

Sue Schroepfer - Mary Mills

Sue Svelnis - Merry Christmas from Lillian Holland

Kids That Care:

Beechwood Knoll School, Quincy - Kindergarten Class

- Donations of cat & dog food and treats

Children First @ Mass Medical Society of Waltham

- Made fleece blankets to keep the residents warm

North Quincy High School Learning Center

- Earned money doing chores then shopped for wish list items and delivered lots of supplies to help us care for the animals

Celia Mosillo of Braintree - Donation of cat treats, cat bed, and other supplies to help the shelter care for the animals

Immaculate Conception Church of Weymouth - CCD

class grades 7 & 8 - Donated wish list items and visited with the cats as part of their community service project



Celia Mosillo of Braintree & "Lulu" above



Immaculate Conception Church of Weymouth - CCD class grades 7 & 8

Special Thanks:

PETCO FOUNDATION - Donation of \$1,965.89 from their "All for Holiday Homes" in-store country-wide campaign

Row & Ride of Hanover - Members donated wish list items for our residents

Employees of the following companies that donate monthly, request company grants, or have their companies match their donations to help us care for the shelter animals:

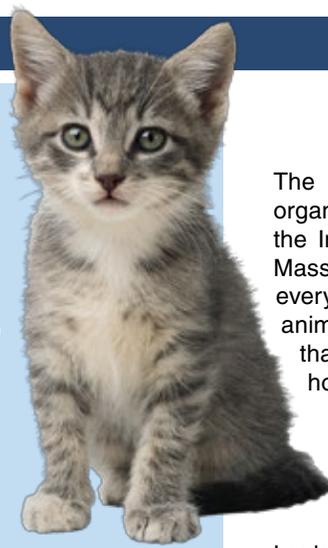
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Willard Veterinary Clinic, Quincy

QAS would also like to thank everyone who donates to QAS through **Amazon.com's Smile Program**. The animals really enjoy the toys, beds, & other goodies they receive. We don't receive donor names from Amazon so we want to give a big THANK YOU! for your generosity & compassion for these wonderful animals.

To make purchases via Amazon.com's Smile program for QAS, go to: <https://smile.amazon.com/ch/31-1703439>



Wish List

We urgently need:

Paper towels

Bleach

Any brand laundry detergent - **must be high efficiency (HE)**

Cascade ActionPacs Dishwasher Detergent

Any brand of dry cat food for our feral pantry (open bags ok!)

Fancy Feast Adult and Kitten canned food - for our shelter residents

Natural Balance Dog Food Rolls or Redbarn Food Rolls

"Yesterday's News" Cat Litter

Furry mice toys for cats

Interactive dog toys like Buster Cubes and balls (no tennis balls)

NEW Plastic litter boxes and **NEW** plastic litter scoops with tags and stickers (cannot be used)

Postage stamps

Gift cards to Pet Supply Plus, Petco, Walmart, super markets

Can you help? Give us a call with any questions!

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About QAS

The Quincy Animal Shelter (QAS) is a nonprofit organization designated under section 501(c)(3) of the Internal Revenue Code and is recognized as a Massachusetts charity. As a no-kill shelter, we make every effort to find appropriate placement for each animal in our care. Since 1999, we have placed more than 8,000 cats and dogs into loving and forever homes throughout MA and New England.

Before adoption, all animals are checked by a veterinarian, spayed/neutered, micro-chipped, and have received age-appropriate vaccinations. Cats have been tested for Feline Leukemia (FeLV) and Feline Immunodeficiency Virus (FIV). Dogs have been temperament tested and tested for Lyme disease, Heartworm, and other tick related diseases.

Delivering this type of care involves many volunteers, a dedicated Shelter Director and Board of Directors, and a lot of money. Our budget runs approximately \$250,000 per year and we rely completely on the community for support. Here's how you can help QAS: volunteer your time; donate money or pet supplies; sponsor a cage or kennel; donate via your corporate matching gift program; become a QAS sponsor; purchase QAS wear; or attend a QAS event!

IF YOU'RE INTERESTED, SEND AN EMAIL TO: MAILINGLIST@QUINCYANIMALSHELTER.ORG
HELP QAS SAVE MONEY & TREES BY SIGNING UP FOR OUR EMAIL NEWSLETTER TODAY!

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