



CONNECTICUT
HUMANE SOCIETY

*They need you
for something big
and wonderful.*

What, you wonder,
is *so BIG and*
WONDERFUL ... that
it can only happen
with *your* help?



Together Forever

Campaign for the Pets

This campaign requires a lot of shoulders
(yours, we hope, included):

- **Front and center** is the construction of a brand-new and desperately needed public veterinary clinic (our second reduced-fee clinic).
- **Behind the scenes**, this new clinic will save a lot of pets' lives. And keep them in homes where they're loved, and out of shelters.
- **Finally**, the campaign reaches statewide to advance pet care now and in the future.

It will reimagine animal welfare, both for homeless and privately owned pets.



We hope you'll consider investing in the future of thousands of Connecticut pets and their people ... for years and years to come. Why?

Because love should be for a lifetime. You'll be keeping pets and their families "Together Forever."



Just one big medical bill can force a tragedy.

For Brian and his dog Echo, it almost meant saying goodbye to each other. Echo was diagnosed with a deadly infection, and Brian couldn't afford her veterinary costs at a local animal hospital. Brian was going to surrender Echo to the Connecticut Humane Society, in order to save her life.

Thanks to CHS' Fox Memorial Clinic, Brian had another option. Echo could have the urgent surgery she needed and go back home with her dad.

"That made me very happy. I'm very appreciative," Brian said. "Fox Memorial Clinic truly saved her life." At Fox, Brian and Echo found hope. Countless families and pets are looking for the same thing.



The new veterinary clinic will perform spays and neuters, dental surgeries, x-rays, urgent operations, and more, for reduced fees.

The risk is high.

1 out of 4 households struggles to afford veterinary care.

The "Together Forever" campaign will make sure expert veterinary care is affordable for those Connecticut families.

Please read on....



The campaign *starts* with a bang in Fairfield County. *Continues* statewide.

... **To kick off the campaign**, the Connecticut Humane Society breaks ground in Fairfield County for a new animal resource center. This supporter-funded destination includes a reduced-fee veterinary clinic, a more complete shelter medical department, a warm, welcoming, innovative adoption facility ... as well as resources for pet owners so pets can stay in their homes.

... **With you on board**, the “Together Forever” campaign also brings new life to CHS’ Newington and Waterford locations, including its 20-year-old, bursting-at-the-seams veterinary clinic that can’t fully meet families’ overwhelming needs ... with low-stress pet housing, public education space, and advanced medical equipment.

... **PLUS** you’ll finally make possible expanded programming and training in animal care ... for volunteers, adoptive families, veterinarians and animal control officers across Connecticut’s 169 towns and cities.



It's a good plan, too; years in the making, lots of experts, lots of feedback.

Architect's initial rendering of the new animal resource center in Fairfield County.

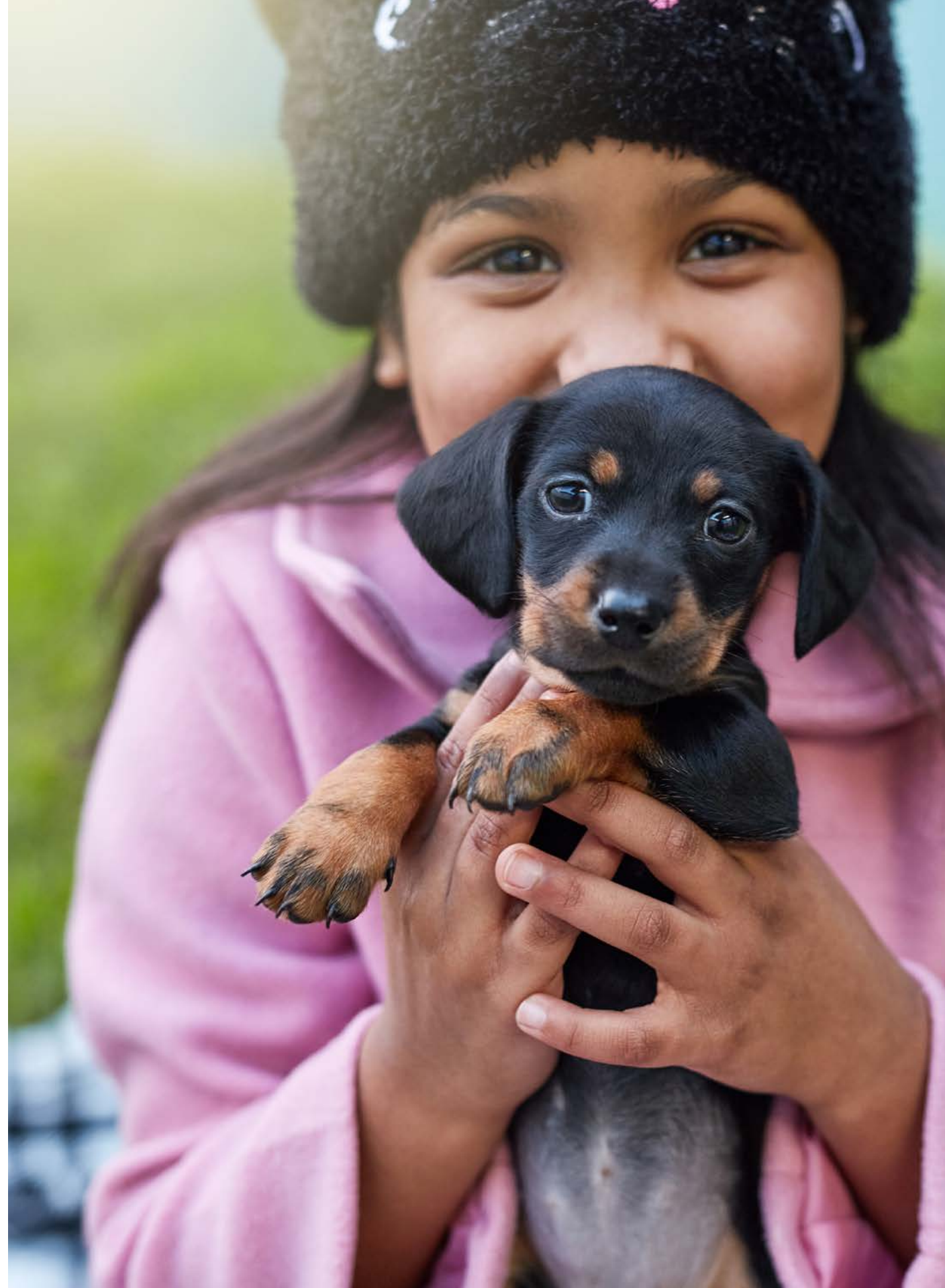
It's always been people like you who have made these advances possible.

Connecticut Humane Society exists entirely thanks to philanthropy and empathy and kind hearts and fierce fighters for what's right.

Take some credit, will you?

Connecticut Humane Society is not a government agency. It's not part of a national group.

It's a community mission. It's an animal-lover's cause.



And, by the way, here's some good news you might not have heard.

It took 60 years. But spaying and neutering can now declare victory. The animal population is under control in Connecticut.

Which means there is far less unimaginable suffering ... there are far fewer starving, terrified, diseased, and homeless dogs and cats.

And there is so much more love and food and warmth for pets in safe, caring homes ... where families want to give their pets the best life, but sometimes need a safety net.

The pets of Connecticut,
once cruelly abused, thank you ...



... (or certainly would, if they could).



Gertrude O. Lewis,
CHS founder

From her heart, a miracle began
... a miracle that continues and strengthens
today and into the future, thanks to *your* heart.

That heart beat inside Gertrude O. Lewis, a high school senior in Hartford. Decades before women finally won the right to vote, animal advocate Gertrude condemned what was then widespread callous treatment of all animals.

Since those days, the Connecticut Humane Society's existence and evolution have depended on your compassion, your commitment, and your generosity.

The animals healed here — and the pet families kept together — depend on selfless, willing, caring people like you. Those who simply will not tolerate cruelty to animals, those who simply will not turn away, and those who will continue the miracle.



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Can't do it
without you.

On behalf of all the pets you will be healing ...
and of all the people who care for them SO much and
want to protect them and love them ...

... thank you!



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