

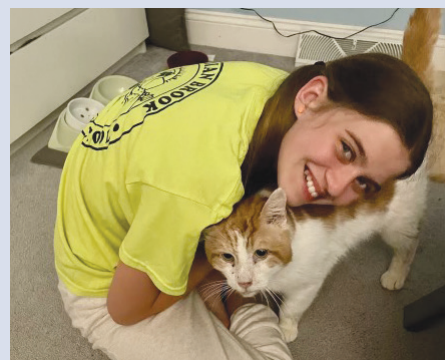
BuddySnuffles a hospice story

When BuddySnuffles was first brought to Standish, he was missing fur all over his body, he was badly wounded from a rough life of being outside and some other noted trauma and he was not neutered. He also had a bloody mouth and was unable to eat. Our veterinarians concluded that he was likely hit with a firework of some sort. During his neuter and further hospital appointments, it was discovered that BuddySnuffles had a large mass inside his mouth. It was debulked, but grew back quickly. Since no one knew how much pain-free time he had remaining, we decided to try to find a hospice home for this sweet boy. A fabulous Standish Foster/Hospice home stepped forward. The changes in BuddySnuffles and the bonding between him and this family were undeniable. You can see in the before and after pictures the wonderful transformation of BuddySnuffles, including a letter from his Hospice Caregivers.

“Taking a hospice cat into our home wasn’t exactly what we were expecting to do, especially since we were looking at first-time fostering soon after losing our longtime beloved cat. It worked out that BuddySnuffles needed a family, and we needed a cat, perfect timing for all. Buddy S had a

hard road behind him, living for many years as part of a feral cat community and then multiple health issues once he was caught, but that didn’t change his kind and gentle demeanor. There was not a mean bone in his body. Buddy S came to us with a cancerous oral mass and sadly did stay not with us long, 50 days to be exact, but in those days we learned lots about him. He loved head rubs, rotisserie chicken, playing with string toys and, most of all, he loved our daughter. The feeling was mutual. He was more confident and always happily purring when she was near him. He would seek her out and cry for her attention. Our daughter is 12 years old, and she knew his health was declining and that his end would be sooner rather than later, but she loved him wholeheartedly. When asked why she agreed to a hospice-foster cat our daughter replied, “It was important to foster a sick cat because I knew I was giving him a good, loving home for his last days, and that he wouldn’t be alone or scared when he passed away.”

RIP BuddySnuffles, here’s hoping your last days were some of your best days!! Though you were only in our home for a short time, you’ll be in our hearts for a long time.”



93% of our income goes to our programs

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Letter From The President

From our beginning, Holmes House has been a very unique cat shelter. Although we always provided a wonderful life for the cats that came to us, our organization has grown into so much more for the animals in our care and our community.

In the early 1990's, there was an enormous overpopulation of cats in our area, and there were times when we housed over 100 cats in our small shelter. Our protocol for intake of surrendered and homeless cats required that they had to be young and friendly and, most importantly, healthy. The numbers of kittens we could take in was severely limited because we did not have the network of foster homes that we have today. Because of the lack of financial resources, costly medical treatments and surgeries could not be done.

Fast forward to today, matters have very significantly changed for the better. Due to years of maintaining a very aggressive spay/neuter program, we no longer experience the enormity of homeless cats in our area. Standish hosts Animal Rescue League's "Spay Waggin'" monthly where, in addition to our shelter cats being spayed or neutered, local pet owners can also have their pets done at a very reasonable cost. The local population of unwanted cats has diminished so extensively that we now regularly take in cats from overpopulated shelters in Florida and Pennsylvania to prevent their euthanasia.

We now have several volunteers who are knowledgeable about trapping and rescue. All trapped cats and kittens are evaluated to determine whether they can be successfully socialized to become domesticated pets. Trapped ferals who can't make the adjustment receive a medical exam, are spayed or neutered, vaccinated, treated for basic medical issues, and released back to their colony.

Every cat in Standish's care can now be provided with all the medical care it needs. Dr. Ann Thompson volunteers her time to examine each cat when it arrives at our shelter and administers their basic medical care. Cat Clinic of Plymouth, VCA Roberts Animal Hospital and Duxbury Animal Hospital all provide more extensive medical treatment if needed. Kathleen Taylor at Animal Pharm donates the many needed prescription medications.

This level of care would not be possible without the financial support we receive from the community. We are fortunate to benefit from Planet Subaru's Share the Love Program, and the generosity of our supporters who donate food, toys and supplies as well as financial donations when needed for extraordinary surgeries or treatments. Your financial contributions make this all possible and are very much appreciated.

Wishing you all a very safe and healthy New Year.

Julie Salamone

Planet Subaru Keeps Sharing the Love and Standish is Loving it

Planet Subaru has chosen Standish as one of its local non-profit partners for their Share the Love campaign. From November 18, 2021 through January 3, 2022, with every new Subaru purchased or leased at Planet Subaru in Hanover, \$250 will be donated to the customer's choice of charities, so we are delighted to be designated again as one of the charities.

A number of Standish volunteers own one or more Subarus from Planet Subaru and go back for another when it is time for a new car. The Standish parking lot, with all its Subarus parked there, is a testament to the

love Standish feels for Planet. In addition to the wonderful purchasing experience they have experienced at Planet Subaru, the volunteers are also thrilled with its service department.

Share the Love is a great time for our supporters to check out Planet Subaru. You might end up with a fantastic car and Standish will receive \$250 thanks to you.

Besides their wonderful support of Standish, we also love Planet Subaru's commitment to animals. You can meet their sweet canine helpers in the showroom. They love the customers!

We want to thank Planet Subaru for all the love they have given us over the years. Please support this wonderful Standish donor when it is time to buy your new car.



Standish Humane Society is very grateful for the many donations made in loving memory of the following people:

Pam Adornato, E. Bridgewater
Francis and Melba Belleau
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We are also very grateful for the following memorials and tributes.

Carla Anderson – In memory of Angel, Ariana and Lovey
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Jennifer Case-Pouliot – In memory of Jackson
Kevin Cedrone – In honor of Sue Moulton
Vera Champlin – In honor of Harriet
Janet Christenson – In memory of Cooney and Dillon
Marilyn Cioffi – In memory of Rusty
David Clinton – In memory of Kenobie
Lila Cody – In memory of Willie

Christine Connelly Perry – In memory of Toby
Ellen Coughlin – In memory of Felix
Thomas Cravens – In memory of Buster, Toni, Maxine, Laverne and Wren
Crittter Corner – In honor of Riley Gallagher's birthday
Michael Cushing – In honor of Laura Norman
Tania and John Cutler – In memory of Cooney, Lili and Twinkle Butt
Melinda Damon – In memory of Rupee and Chance
Elizabeth Davidson – In honor of the staff at Abington Animal Hospital
Debra Decosta – In memory of Greg
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Duxbury Middle School – In honor of Ms. Roselli
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Polly Littlefield – In memory of Buzz
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Louise and Charles Quigley – In honor of Inkling and Shadow
Anna Marie Reardon – In memory of Mr. Magoo
Jeanee Redmond – In memory of Michael
Robert Richard – In honor of Beth Troiano
Christine Richards – In memory of Cheddar
Rebecca Richards-Kramer – In honor of Amy Cook
Nancy Riegel – In honor of all my beloved cat children
Susan Roan – In memory of Spunky
Andrea Robbins – In honor of Beethoven
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Harriet Whisman – In memory of Rainbow
Karen Whittaker – In memory of Lulu
Kim Whittaker – In honor of Karen Whittaker
Alicia Williams – In honor of Lulu



Caramel

Caramel has been a sponsored cat at Standish Humane Society since 2013. She recently passed away, but Caramel lived a very good life in our resident room at the shelter. She was very well taken care of and loved by our volunteers. We will all miss her.



Petunia

At almost a year old, sweet Petunia needed to be spayed. A culmination of both a tight financial situation and limited veterinary bookings made it hard for this pet owner to obtain a spay on their own. Standish stepped up to not only financially assist this beautiful dog but also secured the spay appointment at a local veterinarian hospital. Spaying of a dog or cat is the single most important thing that can be done to benefit an animal. Spaying a female pup will help eliminate the possibility of common uterine infections, breast tumors and other cancers. It will prevent unwanted pregnancies and reduces the number of homeless pets. Standish Humane Society is proud to partner with community dog owners to financially assist with reduced-cost spay and neuter.

Sponsoring A Cat

Have you ever thought about sponsoring a Standish cat? It benefits both the kitty and the shelter, and the sponsor enjoys the satisfaction of making a positive difference in the life of an animal.

It's very easy to become a sponsor. You can email the shelter at standishhumane@comcast.net seeking information about our sponsor program, make a donation via PayPal or Donorbox on our website at www.standishhumane.org noting you want to become a sponsor, or call the shelter at 781-834-4663 and someone will return your call.

Sponsoring helps us provide the physical necessities required for basic care of these animals. Essentials like food, litter, treats and toys are costly, and medical care can be especially expensive. With this financial assistance and the hands-on loving care and emotional support provided by our volunteers, our cats are healthy and content. It could be a cat who is at the shelter waiting to be adopted, one whose permanent home is the shelter, or one that lives in a foster home but whose financial needs are met by Standish.

Sponsors generally send \$15 a month. Many contribute more. Some pay bi-annually, and a few send an annual payment. Online payments by Donorbox and PayPal made through our website can be deducted automatically from your account if you choose.

Sponsors may choose a particular cat to sponsor, or one will be selected for you. Sponsors receive periodic updates which include photos, anecdotes and progress reports.

Sponsorships make wonderful birthday or holiday gifts. They're perfect for the animal lover or for someone not able to adopt but wants to support an animal. It impacts the life of an animal in a positive way without the responsibility of ownership.

Please consider becoming a member of our sponsor program, and begin to enjoy the satisfaction of knowing you are providing ongoing support to a kitty in need.



Ms. Betty's Story



Betty

I was so scared of the barking and the fast energy crashing towards me. I ran as fast I could under the bed and stayed there. When I thought the "Monster Pup" was gone, I snuck out and tried to get to my litter box, but the Monster Pup came running toward me. I felt cornered and I didn't know what else to do, so I hissed and I swatted and I made him cry. Then I got yelled at by my humans, so I ran back under the bed. This time I stayed there for a very long time. My humans just left me there and put my food under the bed. I became overweight and despondent.

Next thing I knew, my humans were on the phone saying that I needed to leave. I was very upset and scared and sad. I didn't understand why this

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Cats in the Community

We all need to help look out for cats in the community. First comes the sighting, then comes the trapping and then comes the assessing. Standish volunteers trap numerous cats throughout the year that are truly feral. They don't want to be domesticated pets. Most have been outside their entire lives and have no desire to be with humans. They are trapped, spayed or neutered, vaccinated and released. The spaying and neutering of these cats is important work to reduce the number of unwanted or homeless cats in our area. Many times they come with kittens that can be trapped, spayed or neutered and socialized to become family pets. Then occasionally, you trap a cat someone has been feeding outside for a long time, and they turn out to be fairly friendly but scared. These are the cats that take work, patience, expertise to assess, and the longest time to adopt out. Most of these



cats had human interaction at some point in their lives, but then they were left to fend for themselves somewhere along the line and started to realize they had to be tough to survive.

These cats will not be left behind by Standish Humane Society. Two examples of these trapped cats are Liberty and Tamara. Liberty was trapped along with four older kittens, and Tamara was trapped along with four young babies. Liberty was trying to eat out of someone's trash when they decided to put some food out for her. They continued to feed her for months before her four older kittens began to follow her to the feeding every day. These kittens were about five months old and hard to handle once trapped. An experienced Foster Mom is working with them, and they are slowly learning to trust. Tamara and her babies were found going in and out of a hole in a basement foundation scrounging for food and mice. Once Tamara and Liberty were given a chance to be fed in a safe environment, they both began to trust again.

The results of trapping, feeding and providing a safe place for these cats to live is what Standish stands behind. With donations from our community, we can help more cats like Liberty, Tamara and their kitten families reside in homes instead of reproducing outside.



Ms. Betty's Story continued from page 4

Monster Pup got to stay, but I had to leave. It didn't seem fair. I heard the people at Standish Humane Society asking my humans if they knew how to introduce a cat to a new puppy, and my humans said it was too late. They wanted me gone.

I have since learned that puppies are not monsters and that cats can live with dogs very harmoniously if introduced slowly and properly. Apparently, Standish Humane Society teaches people how to do that all the time. I wish my humans had learned about that process before getting a puppy.

I was surrendered and moved to a foster

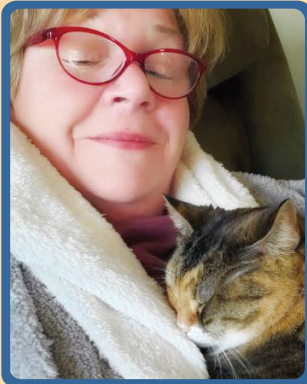
home. My new Mom was sweet and understanding and there were no other Monster Pups at her house, but I was still very scared of this new place I was in. She was so patient as I learned to trust her and realized that nothing was going to harm me here. Standish Humane Society sponsored me so I could go to the veterinarian where it was discovered that I was a diabetic. I needed my blood sugars monitored all the time, and I needed medicine called insulin and syringes. My new Mom learned how to administer my insulin, and she takes really good care of me. She is grateful to Standish Humane Society and wrote

this about me and her experience: "I am grateful to Standish Humane Society for trusting me to foster Ms. Betty. They helped me understand what to expect from a cat unhappy in her former home. I had to learn how to administer insulin twice a day, and am glad they were by my side so this experience was not so scary. This was meant to be, it was meant for me."

Ms. Betty continues to do better and better with her new Mom, and purrs up a storm around her. Thank you, Standish supporters, for sponsoring Ms. Betty.

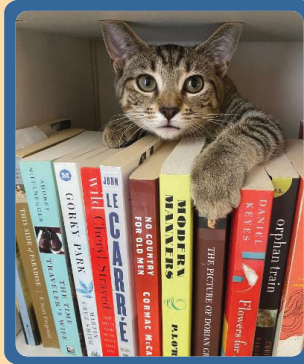
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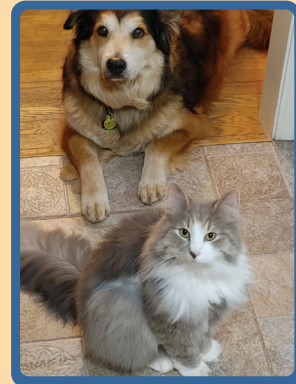
From the moment we met Ilo (pronounced elow, Finnish for Joy) she has been right by my side. She loves sunbathing and watching the birds and squirrels and if I am on my computer, she is usually ON IT too. She is such a love bug and has stolen my heart. I truly believe we found each other at the time we needed to.

Riley



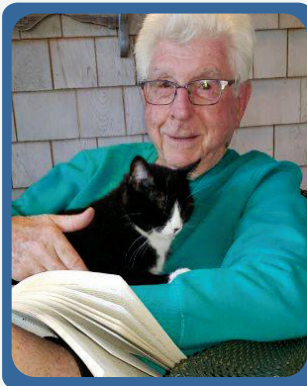
Riley was a single kitten found outside. One of our Foster Moms fostered Riley for Standish. She was so small she needed to be bottle fed. Her forever home states "she is doing amazing and she rules the house".

Grizzly



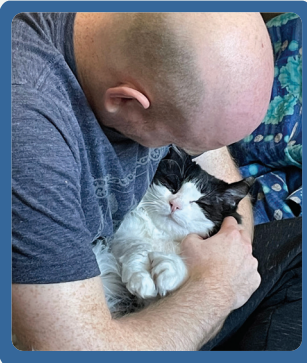
Grizzly is doing great in his forever home. He fits right in. His favorite thing to do is to look out the window at all the animals and birds. But, best of all, he gets along very well with the dogs. Wondering who is the boss?

Kermit



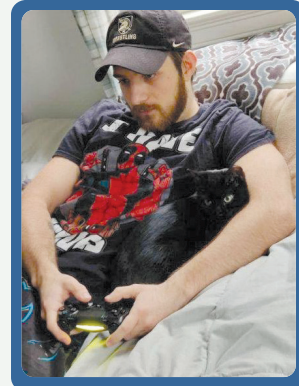
At the height of the pandemic Standish had to get all of our shelter cats out of the shelter and into foster homes until we could figure out a plan to deal with the virus. Our volunteers stepped up in a huge way to be sure all of the cats entrusted to us were cared for and had a gentle place to land until we figured it all out. The Lane's were one such home and they took Kermit who had just arrived at our shelter after found living outside. The Lane's loved Kermit so much, they chose to adopt him.

Bello



Bello was a pretty aggressive cat when he was trapped and arrived at Standish. His adopters reported to us the following message: "We love him so much. Thank you for not giving up on him. We frequently talk about how blessed we are to have him in our lives and grateful we are that you refused to believe he could not be domesticated. He is our baby boy and we cannot imagine life without him."

Moon Shadow



Moon Shadow was being fed on a farm in Plymouth until the owner called Standish for some assistance.

She was trapped and spayed, in anticipation of being returned to farm life. However, Moon Shadow was returned to the farm but she would not leave her opened cat carrier. She had decided she liked being an indoor kitty. She was placed in a foster home where she eventually allowed petting and playing. Standish placed Moon Shadow in a home with a very seasoned cat-experienced family who gave her lots of time to adjust. Her forever home reports that she is doing great – super friendly, love bug and very playful too. It's incredible what a little love and stability will do.

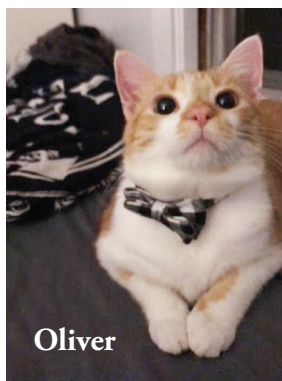
Feline Leukemia: the facts

What a scary diagnosis, right? Well, it doesn't always end up being a death sentence. Standish Humane Society has adopted out several cats diagnosed with Feline Leukemia or FeLV. And, while we wish no cat or kitten was positive for FeLV, these cats have survived, and even triumphed through this diagnosis.

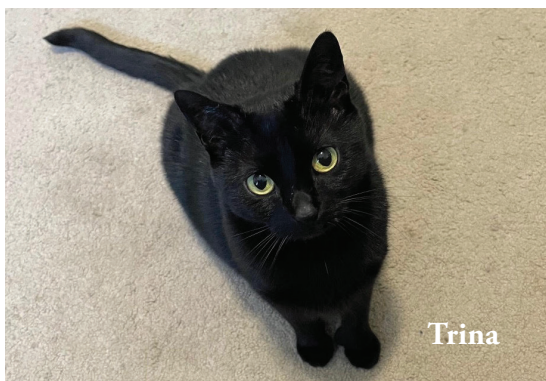
Trina, pictured here, was adopted as an adult to a family who read about her and her unknown prognosis, and wanted to provide her with a home for what ever time she had. That was two years ago! Trina continues to be seen annually by her veterinarian, and has had no changes in her health to date. She is a loving, black beauty, and has a young boy in the home who adores her and plays with her every day.

Oliver, recently trapped by a local Animal Control Officer, came to Standish Humane Society when the owner of that handsome guy no longer wanted him once diagnosed with FeLV. A Veterinary Technician at a local veterinary hospital and her boyfriend decided to open their home to this loving, gorgeous orange and white boy. They have a large dog, and Oliver just loves to play with him.

Feline Leukemia is not contagious to dogs, children or humans. It is only passed from one cat to another through saliva, blood or nasal secretions. If not defeated by the animal's own immune system, it can sometimes weaken the cat's immune system. For Trina, Oliver and many other cats and kittens that come through our door, it is simply a virus that prevents them from having other feline friends in the home, but it does not prevent them from needing love. Thanks to our continued donor base, we have been able to support these cats as they are adopted into very special homes.



Oliver



Trina

Standish Saves Lives



Meeney

And then the dreaded phone call comes in. A cat is in need of emergency veterinary care and needs our help as soon as possible. Standish has to quickly rally to see what can be done to save a life. To save a child's pet. A family member. A fur child.

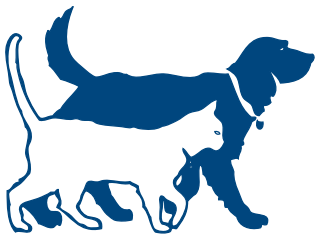
One such call came to us when a Standish Alumn, named Meeney, now a young adult, swallowed a Halloween decoration. The family knew they needed to save up each year to get him his regular physical, his annual rabies shot, etc., but they had not anticipated the expense of this emergency visit: X-rays, ultrasounds and eventually a surgery to remove this foreign body. Not to mention the stay in the hospital for days recuperating from this major surgery, and all the medicines required to ward off any potential infection. They called Standish for any help we could offer to save their beloved pet's life. Without the required surgery, their cat would be gone within hours.

Standish posted an appeal to recoup some funds, but guaranteed the vet hospital we would assist this family in need. The family did everything they could to help pay the bill including borrowing money, opening credit and exhausting their savings. With the help of Standish Humane Society, Meeney (who by the way, doesn't have a mean bone in his body) was able to have the necessary surgery that saved his life. He is doing well at home and enjoying a "décor free" Halloween Season!

Thank you to our donors who allow us to say YES to these calls for emergency assistance!

Donations may be mailed:
Standish Humane Society
P.O. Box 634
Duxbury, MA 02331

They may also be submitted online by using the "Donate" button on our website at standishhumane.org.



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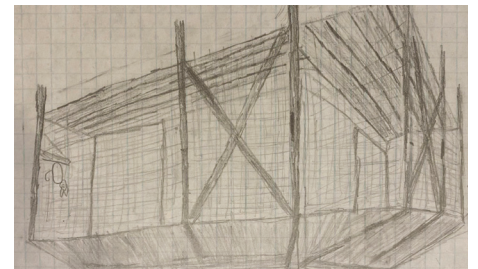


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this beautiful new outdoor space. There were many people in the community who donated to help purchase the supplies needed to build this protective space, and then Greg and his friends and family provided all the labor. Our current resident cats love the outdoor enclosure!



A huge Thank You to Duxbury resident, Greg Kania, for completing a catio at Standish Humane Society. Greg built the catio as part of his project to earn his Eagle Scout ranking. A catio is an outdoor enclosure made for cats to be outside in a safe space. The term catio originated from combining a cat with a patio. These pens are built specifically to keep cats safe, but provide enrichment where they can lie in the sun, chase bugs, get fresh air and exercise. Greg chose to benefit the resident cats that live at Standish Humane Society with

The Catio Project