

Handsome Boy Freddie

My name is Handsome Boy Freddie and my story began when I was looking for food outside, and a coyote grabbed me by the neck and tried to take me away. I had been taking care of myself for quite a while outside and thought I was okay until that dreaded day. That coyote came out of nowhere and clamped down on my neck so hard. I fought and fought and finally got away. I ran hard and fast to safety, but by then I had a gaping, bloody wound on my neck. It really hurt badly! As I began to lose blood, the infection started to set in. I hung around a couple of homes that had put food out for me in the past, and when they noticed my wound, they called animal control.

Animal control tried to trap me, but I was smarter than they were—for awhile. But one day I was so hungry I figured I would

just grab some treats and run away, but that trap door shut behind me, and I had no way out. The animal control officer took me to a veterinarian's office where they said I might be feral and I would need lots of expensive medical care. The veterinarian recommended putting me to sleep. But, the animal control officer knew a volunteer at Standish Humane Society and asked her if she could help me. She said she would organize a fundraiser to help me out and that the veterinarian should proceed with the surgery needed to fix me. That was one lucky day!!

I had my surgery, but then I needed to have daily wound cleaning, medications, and dressing changes for months. I was in a lot of pain, so I was pretty grumpy. I was scared of all those new people and new places I was in. Then I was transferred to a new veterinarian at the Cat Clinic in Plymouth where they devised a treatment plan that was less painful for me. They loved my big, goofy, fat head and fed me while they changed my dressing. Hey, did you notice that my wound was actually healing in the shape of a heart? That's because I became a lover not a fighter.

In Massachusetts, an unvaccinated animal with a wound of unknown origin must be placed under strict confinement for four months. Standish placed me with a foster mom who took care of me every



Freddie

single day for the four months. She talked to me, cleaned up after me, fed me, medicated me, washed my wound and changed my dressings. She is my hero.

When I was finally healed, a Standish volunteer found a fabulous home for me with a loving family. They took me home and I have never been so happy in my entire life. I live in a large home with lots of windows, and I even have my own kids to play with. Take a look at me now!

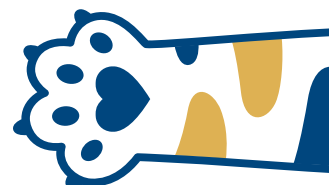
I want to thank the neighbors that called the animal control office when they saw I needed help, the veterinarian at Cat Clinic in Plymouth who fixed me up, my foster



Heart shaped wound

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Letter From The President

In July, I was elected president of Standish Humane Society. I am honored to be entrusted with this rescue organization and its direction, finances and mission. Julie Salamone, our past president, decided to retire from her many years of service to Standish. She has served as president for 20 years and we thank her gratefully for all her hard work in animal rescue. She will still be actively involved in the shelter, and we are thankful for that. Standish has an amazing reputation in the community, and I am proud to help uphold that status. I want to continue to build upon the work started by others and solidify our position as one of the most impactful rescue groups on the South Shore of MA.

I embrace working with animal control officers to assist felines in our surrounding communities. Many such officers rely on our organization to take in cats that owners can no longer care for or are found outside with no humans to care for them. They also rely on us for medical care for cats that otherwise would be put down due to town financial constraints. Our donors go above and beyond to provide assistance to these cats in need.

Standish now has a reliable and experienced trapping network where each year hundreds of cats and kittens are trapped, spayed and neutered, and evaluated by our volunteers for potential adoption. The majority of kittens are born outside in our area so these trappers are a vital part of our mission to stop the unwanted reproduction of these cats which results in colonies and unnecessary suffering of animals.

While our foster home network has grown exponentially, I hope to continue to develop this much needed asset and add more and more homes willing to foster. These folks who open their home and hearts to nurture our most fragile animals are truly selfless. Without them, we could not help the numbers of animals we do.

We have solid relationships with out-of-state rescues where we are considered the premier shelter to work with. Many shelters want their cats and kittens to be taken in by Standish, because the shelters see and hear of the care we provide to each and every animal entrusted to us. I will always continue to try to help those less fortunate whenever we have the funds and space.

Our socialization program is deemed to be a model by some shelters in the surrounding area. Other rescues and animal rescue volunteers visit our shelter and watch videos produced by Standish. They are hoping to replicate what we have accomplished at Standish. Many cats that would have otherwise remained outside are now rehabilitated. These rehabilitated cats have proven to be fabulous domesticated pets when worked with inside our program.

I am passionate about our adoption process and how well we do at finding homes that are appropriate for each animal. The dynamics involved in understanding each cat and human and then matching them is quite an undertaking, but it is one I know Standish is doing right. We stand out in that arena, and others are taking note.

I want to engage all volunteers in any aspect that they are willing to learn. I welcome educating and training anyone who wants to explore or become more involved in other areas outside of their current rescue roles. Please reach out to me or any other member of the board of directors if you desire to even discuss that potential.

Thank you again for trusting me to be your voice in the community and to speak for those that cannot speak for themselves.

Joyce Keyes



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Freddie and family

mom who cared for me for so long, the donors that paid for my treatment, and of course Standish for standing by my side every step of the way to finally get me to my forever home.

Please consider donating to Standish so that my friends out there can get the same care I did.

**With Love, from
Handsome Boy Freddie**



Pampered Freddie

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

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Rita Wing – In honor of Cheryl Sexton
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Melissa Yeaw – In honor of Rebecca Yeaw



Rolo

Meet Rolo one Lucky Kitty

I was just playing under a chair when all of a sudden; I felt an excruciating pain in my leg. Someone had gotten up from that recliner chair, slammed the leg holder closed, and crushed my little baby leg by accident. I cried and cried, but the foster family in North Carolina did not know what to do. They called the local shelter, and the shelter said to bring me to a veterinarian.

to wear a crazy apparatus for months until my bones healed. My special foster mom took great care of me during this recovery time by getting me to all my doctor appointments, giving me pain medications, and loving me so much. When that contraption came off, I was ready to run! I ran around like a marathon runner on my newly healed leg.

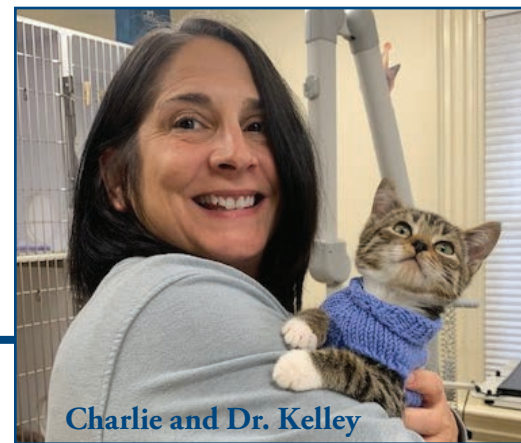


There I got bad news! My leg was fractured, and the shelter did not have any money to get my leg fixed. I was only eight weeks old, and the vet said it would be best to put me to sleep so I would not feel the pain.

I want to thank Standish Humane Society and all those who donated to transport me into Standish's care, for fundraising for my medical needs and for ultimately finding my family and me loving forever homes.

My foster family and the shelter in North Carolina reached out to Standish Humane Society way up in Massachusetts to see if they could help me. Standish Humane Society and that rescue group arranged a transport for me, my mom, and all of my siblings. That "Yes" from Standish Humane Society began a whole new life for me.

I had my leg repaired in a very complicated surgery by an orthopedic specialist. I had



Charlie and Dr. Kelley

Meet Charlie – the hypothyroid cat

Have you ever heard of hypothyroidism? Neither had Charlie until he met Dr. Kelley.

Charlie met Dr. Kelley when he was presented for constipation. His little belly was round, distended and firm. He could not poop even though he was trying his hardest. Charlie was also very small for his age. His brothers and sisters were twice his size and had gone on to their forever homes. Charlie was small and underdeveloped. His bones had not grown. His growth plates were stunted, even his teeth were not maturing! After reviewing his case, Dr. Kelley decided to perform a simple blood test that confirmed that Charlie had an underactive thyroid gland.

Unlike hyperthyroidism which is a relatively common acquired disease of older cats, primary hypothyroidism is congenital

(meaning the cat is born with it) and rare. The thyroid gland does not form correctly. The thyroid gland produces a hormone that is responsible for metabolism. When it is either over active or under active, it can wreak havoc on the entire body system. Cats with hypothyroidism have trouble growing their bones and nervous system. They are usually dwarfed, cold intolerant, lethargic, mentally dull, constipated and have a thin coat.

Charlie is now feeling better and taking his thyroid hormone supplement twice daily. He is getting bigger, very slowly, and his constipation is gone. Charlie is playing and romping around just like any kitten.

Because there are so few reported cases, it is hard to know what Charlie's future will hold. Published reports speak of decreased life spans for hypothyroid kittens. However,

Dr. Kelley just said goodbye to one of her favorite patients that also suffered from hypothyroidism and she was 16 years old!

Now, Charlie has officially found his forever home with Dr. Kelley, her cat Lola and small dog Luna. Although congenital hypothyroidism is rare, it may be underreported because it goes unrecognized. Charlie hopes that he can help raise awareness to help more "runts" or "poor doers" that may be hypothyroid like him!



Standish to the Rescue



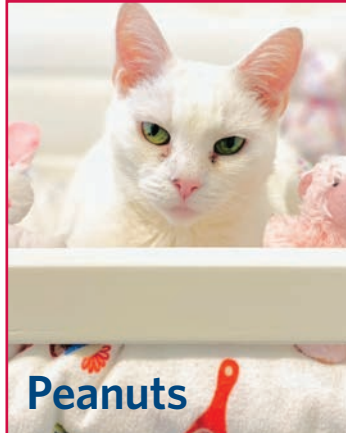
Theo

Theo was found wandering outside and brought to one of our safe and warm foster homes. It was noted that Theo had some swelling in his leg. He was seen by a veterinarian who did some testing and determined it was a cancerous tumor. The veterinarian shared the good news that Theo would live a happy and healthy life if we removed the tumor. But there was bad news too. Theo needed to have his leg removed to be free of the cancer. Because generous people donated to Standish, we were able to fund Theo's life-saving leg amputation surgery. Without that care, Theo would have suffered and died. Theo was promptly adopted post surgery and he is in his forever home making everyone around him happy.



Charlee

Charlee came to Standish after a homeowner had been feeding her outside for a very long time. When we met Charlee we realized pretty quickly that she needed help. She was frail, older and clearly had vision impairment. What we did not realize right away was this poor girl was also deaf. It must have been literally terrifying for her to be outside trying to survive with barely any vision and no hearing. Charlee got all the medical care she needed while at Standish and was successfully adopted to a fabulous safe and loving home. Charlee represents one of the reasons Standish Humane Society exists.



Peanuts

Peanuts, found outside, and then surrendered to Standish, was found to have feline hyperthyroidism. She could not tolerate mainstream thyroid medications so Standish paid for Peanuts to have radioactive iodine therapy. Radioactive iodine basically cures the cat of hyperthyroid disease with one single oral or injectable dose. It is extremely expensive, however, and must be reserved for only those patients that cannot tolerate mainstream medication. At Standish Humane Society we were proud to be able to offer this life saving procedure to Peanuts because of your donations.



Buttercup

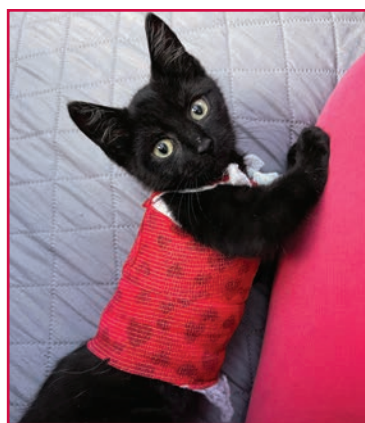
Ziggy

Buttercup and Ziggy were being fed outdoors for months before someone finally called for help. Neither one was spayed or neutered, but worst of all was that Buttercup was blind. Buttercup depended on her brother for safety from cars, predators and potentially dangerous falls. Standish took note of this call and instantly took them under their wing. Buttercup and Ziggy will never have to worry again about the dangers of being blind and wandering outside. They will never ever again have to worry where their next meal will come from. Thank you to Standish and all their supporters for taking care of Buttercup and Ziggy.



Buttons

Buttons was limping and could not use his front leg when presented to Standish. He was quickly whisked to a veterinarian where they determined he needed splint support, rest and pain medication. Buttons quickly healed and was adopted soon thereafter as a healthy thriving kitten. Thanks to Standish donors we were able to get Buttons the care he needed for immediate improvement.



Nitro

Standish volunteers rescued Nitro from a life outside only to find out he had pectus excavatum, a chest bone deformity. Surgery, which expanded his chest to allow room for the lungs and heart to grow, was successfully completed. More good news when one of the vet technicians from the hospital where he went for surgery adopted him. Nitro wants you to all know how grateful he is that donors supported his life-saving surgery.



Donations may be mailed:
Standish Humane Society
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They may also be submitted online
by using the "Donate" button on our
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Considering Pet Insurance

Have you thought about how you would pay for unexpected veterinary bills if your pet became sick or injured? Pet insurance pays for unforeseen veterinary bills so you can focus on getting your pet the medical care they need.

But pet insurance plans vary in what they cover and how they pay out, so it's important to understand how your policy works before you buy. The most common type of insurance plan covers both accidents and illnesses. What's not covered by pet insurance? A pre-existing condition is a medical problem that your pet had before you bought the policy or that cropped up during the waiting period. They are almost never covered by any insurance plan.

Most pet insurance plans allow you to bring your furry friend to any licensed vet for treatment, so you don't need to worry about whether a given clinic is "in network." Typically you pay the vet bill upfront, and submit your receipt to the insurance company for reimbursement. However, some pet insurers may be able to reimburse your vet directly so you don't have to put out as much of your own money.

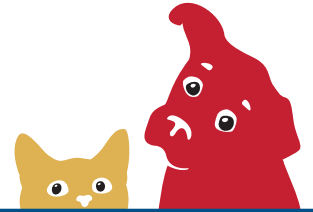
We suggest you consider exploring pet insurance by obtaining quotes and details from several companies. Determine the type and amount of coverage you need, and then get pet insurance quotes from several companies. Online quotes are available from just about every major pet insurer, including options to customize your coverage. Check that the policies have similar reimbursement levels, deductibles and annual payout limits to make sure you're getting a fair comparison.

Before you buy, read the fine print to make sure you didn't miss anything in the restrictions and exclusions. Many pet insurers have sample policies on their websites. Keep in mind that you're likely

buying a policy your pet will have for life. With other types of insurance, shopping around each year for a new policy can save you money. But the older your cat gets, the more pre-existing conditions they'll likely have –and none of them will be covered if you buy a new pet insurance

plan. So do your best to pick a company and a level of coverage that you will be happy with long-term. See the chart below for a list of questions to consider when choosing medical insurance for your pet.

Some questions to consider when choosing medical insurance for your pet.



Coverage

1. Are there exclusions or limitations by breed?
2. Is there one simple plan or multiple plans with varying coverage limits? What are the policy limits for each plan offered? Are they per year, per condition, for the life of the pet?
3. Are hereditary and congenital conditions covered? If so, are there limits on coverage?
4. Does coverage change when visiting a specialist or emergency hospital?
5. Is dental coverage included? Does it include disease or just accidents?
6. Are all prescription drugs, supplements, and nutraceuticals covered? How about prescription food?
7. Is there a coverage option for rehab or alternative therapies? What are the limits?
8. Is wellness care (vaccines, flea, and heartworm prevention) an option or mandatory with the policy? Are wellness treatments dictated by a benefit schedule or can your veterinarian determine proper care? Are there limits?
9. Does coverage change if enrolling an adult or senior pet?

Claims

1. Does the provider offer direct payments to veterinary hospitals at checkout?
2. If there are no direct payment options, what is the average time to receive reimbursements?
3. Does the provider offer pre-approval to ensure coverage?

4. What is needed to send in a claim? How long does it take to process?

5. What are the customer service hours? Can you reach a representative after hours or during holidays if a condition is life threatening?

General


1. What are the waiting periods when you enroll? Are they longer for orthopedic, hereditary, or congenital conditions?
2. How does the deductible work? Per condition, per year, per body part, or per condition and per year?
3. How flexible are your deductible options? Are you given specific amounts, or can you adjust to best fit your budget? Can you change the deductible without affecting coverage?
4. Can a previously covered condition become preexisting upon policy renewal or if you change the limit or the deductible?
5. Are there penalties for making changes to your policy?
6. Are premium increases on a predetermined schedule?
7. Are there additional fees to pay your premium monthly?
8. Is there a minimum or maximum age for coverage?
9. Is there a usual and customary charges clause or does the company pay from the invoice?
10. Can your policy be canceled for any reason other than non-payment?

STANDISH HUMANE SOCIETY ANNUAL BENEFIT DRAWING

Raffle Coupons are \$10 each or \$25 for 3 coupons. Please make checks payable to "Standish Humane Society" and return in the enclosed envelope by January 27, 2023.

You can also purchase the coupons on our website at standishhumane.org and use a credit card or PayPal.

FEBRUARY 2023

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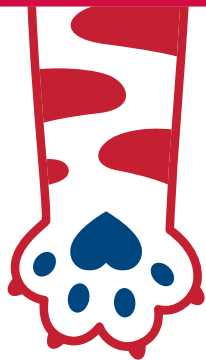
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Spay/Neuter Program an Important Part of the Puzzle

Standish Humane Society is like a puzzle with interconnecting pieces, all of which support our mission to help homeless cats. One of those pieces is our spay/neuter program.

Spaying and neutering cats prevent unwanted births which reduces overpopulation in shelters. Private owners who allow their pets to breed are often overwhelmed by too many litters for which homes can't be found. The kittens end up in shelters or, worse, are simply released outside where the cycle of birth goes unchecked. Stray animals can easily become a public nuisance or a health hazard through the spread of rabies and other serious illnesses. This can result in costs reaching billions of dollars yearly to taxpayers and humanitarian agencies to cover the capture, impoundment, and eventual destruction of unwanted animals.

Spaying and neutering also provide benefits that can improve the overall health of the

animal and lessen the chance of some often-fatal diseases like mammary cancer in females and testicular cancer in males. Spaying and neutering increase overall the average life span of felines by 3 to 5 years. Altered animals are generally better pets with less desire to roam, and they display less aggressive behavior.

Standish's spay/neuter program has two components. The first is our partnership with the Animal Rescue League of Boston which sends their Spay Waggin' to us each month. The specially-equipped mobile clinic team can perform up to 35 surgeries per day – 18 females and 17 males, including four feral cats. A licensed veterinarian, assisted by 2-3 vet techs, performs the surgery, provides rabies and distemper vaccines, trims nails, cleans ears, and provides topical flea treatments for only \$120 for females and \$100 for males. Female spaying is a more invasive surgery that takes 15-20 minutes, whereas male neutering can be performed in just a few minutes. Feral surgeries are limited, because these cats are more difficult to handle and a different anesthesia method

is necessary.

The second component is Standish's own reduced-cost spay/neuter program. We recognize that occasionally owners are unable to afford even the very reasonable Spay Waggin' fees, and Standish steps in to assess ability to pay and support the financial aspect of the surgery as needed. This may also include referral to a local veterinary partner who will accept a Standish-issued certificate and a reduced fee. This is part of our commitment to reducing the number of unwanted animals, and we're pleased to acknowledge the tremendous success and impact both this program and the Spay Waggin' have had over the years.

For more information about our spay/neuter program, please call Standish Humane Society at 781-834-4663.

For qualifying individuals, we provide certificates for dog spays and neuters.

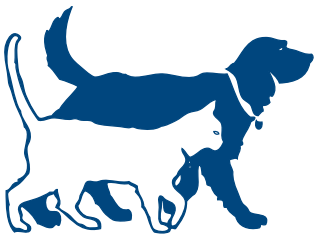


Astounding Fact:

The average number of kittens in a feline litter is four to six.

Up to 4,948 kittens can be born from one unspayed female cat and her offspring in seven years!





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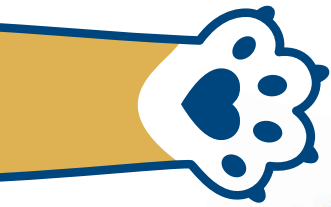
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Purchase the Massachusetts Animal Friendly license plate and help support spay/neuter programs throughout the state. The plate's initial cost is \$40, \$28 of which will be used to support sterilization programs. On renewal, the entire \$40 will go to those programs.



- Easy to order • Tax deductible
- Go to www.mass.gov/rmv to purchase your Animal Friendly License plate!

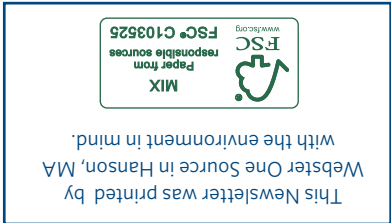
Visit standishhumane.org to view pictures and videos of Standish's adoptable cats!



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.

Planet Subaru Keeps Sharing the Love and Standish is Loving it

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! Planet Subaru of Hanover will add an additional \$50, for every car sold during this promotional event to make the donation to Standish a total of \$300, per car.



Planet Subaru has again chosen Standish as one of its local non-profit partners for their Share the Love campaign. From November 17, 2022 through January 3, 2023, 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 Subaru from Planet Subaru and go back for another when it is time for a new car. The Standish parking lot, with all its Subaru 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.