



FOR THE LOVE OF ANIMALS

The campaign to build the new Brant County SPCA's Animal Centre

Small but mighty, the Brant County SPCA has been caring for animals for over 50 years at our shelter at 539 Mohawk Street. Built in the late 1960s next to the landfill, we've outgrown this space as the population of Brantford has more than doubled in size. Cramped, crowded, loud. These are just some of the words people use to describe our current 2,500 sq ft facility.

Animals are already stressed when they're entering any shelter environment, but without air conditioning and adequate ventilation the risk of an animal catching a virus or infection increases exponentially. **Our current shelter simply does not allow us** to provide optimal care for the thousands of animals we support each year. The lack of space makes it impossible to offer community and educational programming, let alone something as simple as a staff meeting or volunteer orientation. In fact, you won't see our fundraising, marketing, or administrative staff at the shelter as there's simply no room.



Robin Kuchma, Executive Director

When you support the For the Love of Animals Campaign

you're helping to build the new Brant County SPCA Animal Centre and ensuring that all animals have a kind, compassionate and safe environment. The way we view and treat animals as a society has evolved since the 1960s. Our pets are now integral parts of the family and animal shelters often have animals for longer periods of time as we administer care, treatment, and sometimes even surgery to help an animal recover and regain their health before being matched with their new forever family.

LOOKING TOWARDS THE FUTURE

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Our new Animal Centre at 10 Kraemer's Way in North West Brantford was designed *For the Love of Animals*. Nearly five times the size of our current shelter, each square foot was **purposefully designed to reduce stress and enhance the health and well-being of animals.**

With an abundance of natural light and spacious areas for people and animals, the 12,000 sq ft Centre will be fully accessible and foster bonds between people and animals; facilitating adoptions that enrich our lives. Dogs will have indoor/outdoor kennels with access to sunlight and fresh air; cats will have large cat condos and play rooms where they can stretch, play, relax and just be a cat



Cat Adoption Room

With modern ventilation systems and surfaces that are easy to clean and disinfect, we will be able to prevent outbreaks of disease common to animal shelters and **ensure each animal is healthy so they can be matched with their purrfect family and find their forever home.** Our enhanced ventilation system will also benefit our staff, visitors and volunteers and help to reduce the spread of infectious diseases, like COVID-19,

The Brant County SPCA exists to enlighten and enrich the quality of life for our community members, and is dedicated to ensuring all animals will have a kind, compassionate and safe environment. We strive to represent a community that understands the importance of animals in enriching the lives of humans and that both deserve to be treated with respect and dignity.

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At our new Centre we will be able to play a larger role in our local community through our Pets for Life programming and **respond to the high demand for affordable, accessible veterinary care**. The new Centre will also be home to a welcoming community space where we can host humane education programming, community events, dog training classes, and more for animal lovers young and old.

Our partnerships will grow to welcome more volunteers, and support other Return to Home programs and animal rescue groups in our area by providing accessible veterinary and spay/neuter services. With only a few accessible spay/neuter and veterinary clinics in the province, the wait lists can often stretch over a year to get your pet spayed or neutered.

Emergency Boarding Participant, Junior



The new Animal Centre will also allow us to expand many programs including:

- 🐾 Emergency Boarding
- 🐾 Pets for Life - Pet Wellness & Spay / Neuter Services to help those who can't access traditional vet care
- 🐾 Moving Hearts - Transfer Program
- 🐾 Humane Education
- 🐾 Volunteer Program
- 🐾 Foster Program
- 🐾 Seniors for Seniors

PETS FOR LIFE

We know that not everyone is able to access veterinary care. Our new Centre will help to bridge that gap and support marginalized individuals with lower incomes to keep their pets happy and healthy.

When you give to help build our new Centre, you're helping to foster the bond between humans and animals and provide a welcoming, inclusive space where both people and animals can flourish.



New Centre at a Glance

- 🐾 Spacious indoor/outdoor kennels for dogs
- 🐾 Natural light and fresh air to reduce each animal's stress
- 🐾 Modern ventilation systems to prevent the spread of disease
- 🐾 Dedicated cat spaces with spacious kitty condos and play rooms
- 🐾 Separate area designed for small animals like guinea pigs and rabbits
- 🐾 Accessible on-site veterinary clinic to provide spay/neuter surgery and care to animals in shelter and the broader community
- 🐾 Private meet n' greet rooms so you can get to know your prospective new pet
- 🐾 A flexible community space for humane education programs, senior visits, community outreach, events, volunteer & staff training and more!

How You Can Help

We know you care about animals and your local community. We do too. That is one of the many reasons we're building our new animal Centre: ***For the Love of Animals.*** We can't do it alone though, and would love to meet with you to learn more about you and share how you can help to make this dream a reality.

We look forward to meeting with you. In the meantime, if you have any questions please contact Cheyanne Richardson, Campaign Director at crichardson@brantcountyspca.com

"By helping to build a new animal shelter in Brantford you can show your love for animals in the most meaningful way possible – by saving their lives."

– Lance Calbeck, Campaign Chair

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