

Bangor Humane Society

Save Lives, Spread Joy



HOLIDAY GIFT GUIDE 2017

'Tis the season for giving gifts and spreading joy. This year at the Bangor Humane Society, when you make a gift through our Holiday Gift Guide, you're making the holidays happy, bright and full of hope for the animals in our shelter that are waiting for loving homes of their own.

The magic of your gift is that it not only creates good cheer this season, but it also helps us save lives now and in the New Year to come.

Please know that each charitable gift, including those represented inside, provide animals here at the Bangor Humane Society with consistent, quality care wherever it is needed most.

Spread Joy and Save Lives with the Bangor Humane Society this holiday.



Jupiter



Dear friends,

As the holiday spirit unfolds around us, we know that on the top of every one of our animal's wish list is a home for the holidays. But, until they are able to be matched with a new family, we are asking you to choose a gift for them to help them while they wait for a new home.

Highlighted in our Gift Guide are many of the most common items needed for the pets at the Bangor Humane Society. Some of the gifts provide the basic needs of what our pets require before they can journey home, some provide healing, while others are tasty and fun to enrich their lives during their stay with us. Please know that no matter which gift(s) you choose, all of them help us save the lives of the nearly 3,000 animals in our care every single year.

While these gifts are symbolic in nature, they represent the most significant requests for our shelter pets throughout the year, so know that you'll be helping the animals who need it most.

Thank you so much for helping us save lives and spreading joy this holiday season. Thank you for your generosity, kindness and for making this holiday season one that will last throughout the year to come.

A handwritten signature in black ink that reads "Suzan Prendergast". The signature is written in a cursive style.

Suzan Prendergast, Executive Director

P.S. If you'd like to make a gift to the animals for a loved one, just use the enclosed cards to let them know you've made a thoughtful (and life-saving) donation on their behalf.

Shelter

Recent Statistics

- **\$117,119** spent on quality veterinary care for our pets
- **298 lives saved** through foster care with 37 foster families
- Over **3,500 volunteer hours** spent delivering quality care to our shelter pets and helping our staff complete daily shelter tasks



Grant Awards

Doree Taylor Charitable Foundation

\$25,000 for low income spay/neuter over 2 years

Maine Community Foundation Belvedere Fund \$20,000

for low income spay neuter

Elmina B. Sewall Foundation

\$100,000 two year grant to strengthen our humans for greater impact to our animals: an investment in staff infrastructure, training, development and wellness initiatives

Updates

Paws on Parade

The 2017 Paws on Parade annual fundraiser raised \$79,000 and had over 500 human participants walking - the largest ever in BHS history!



ASPCA Subaru Loves Pets Adoption Event

A \$2500 ASPCA grant award combined with Quirk Subaru "Fill the Forester" donation drive, giveaways and monetary donation towards every pet adopted drove hundreds to our door the week of October 16th, resulting in 78 adoptions for the week and 215 for the month of October!



Blitzen

Any Amount: Pawsitive Start Package

They're super adorable and good at stealing hearts, but these fuzzy youngsters require a lot of extra special care. With this package, you'll help make sure our youngest and smallest residents get the right preventative care they need at the right time to keep them healthy and strong. With this gift, you're helping give kittens, puppies and our small animals a strong, healthy start so they can get out of a shelter and into a loving home.



Gonzo

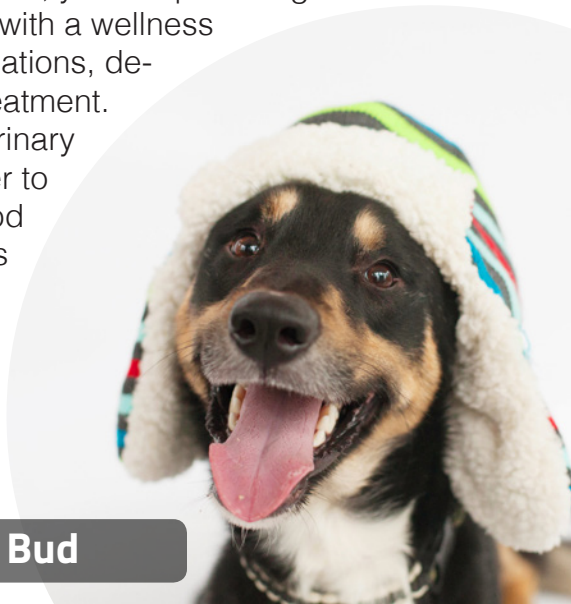
\$25:

Fill a Stocking

Whether his stay is a little longer than expected or he simply has some extra energy to expend, every one of our pets enjoys a favorite toy or some treats to pass the time. By filling a stocking with toys and treats, you're making sure that every dog, cat or small animal has a fun, productive, and positive way to stay busy and engaged. Helping a shelter guest pass the time, while waiting to be adopted by a new human, is truly an act of kindness.

\$50: Wellness Bundle

This gift is just what the doctor - or vet tech - ordered! With the gift of a wellness bundle, you are providing a newly arrived cat or dog with a wellness exam, microchip, vaccinations, deworming, and flea/tick treatment. At BHS, our staff and veterinary partners work together to create a foundation for good health for each of our pets that starts with good nutrition, vaccines, hygiene, and exercise. Because every one of our guests deserves a healthy start!



Bud

\$75: Home for the Holidays

Whether it is a litter of orphaned kittens or a pup recovering from a rehabilitative surgery, they all deserve a warm, cozy place to recover and grow strong. With this gift, you're helping to give our most in need a warm, cozy temporary home through our foster care program by supplying our dedicated volunteers with the food, supplies and medical support they need to give these guests top notch TLC. What you're really giving these critters, though, is place they can feel safe and secure to help them heal and develop into their strongest, healthiest selves.



Mistletoe

\$200: Spa Day

You can't catch that special human's eye with a tangled, soiled or smelly coat!

With this gift option, one of our special pets receives a wash and style. Many of our

pets come with extensive grooming needs due to an undiagnosed health condition, food allergy or lack of care before they came to us.

There's no better gift than a chance to put your best paw forward with a special head-to-tail makeover.



Norm

Baron



\$150: Canine Scholarship

Sweet, playful, energetic and completely lacking in good manners! Sometimes being cute and affectionate isn't enough to guarantee success in a new home. This gift provides special canine candidates in need of extra "schooling," a scholarship to a local BHS partner canine training center so they can succeed in their new home. This gift gives potential adopters the confidence to adopt one of these special canines, knowing they will have help training and teaching their new pup the skills and manners required to excel in their life!

\$300: Happy Smiles for Happy Tails

Healthy paws are wonderful, but we can't forget about those pearly whites! With this special gift, you're giving one of our feline or canine residents all the special dental care they need for a healthy, happy new beginning. Whether in need of a full cleaning to add some extra sparkle or extensive extractions to relieve pain and restore healthy gums, this gift ensures our shelter guests will be all smiles!



Chance



Sparkles

\$500: *New Beginnings*

New beginnings come twice in a homeless animal's lives—the day they arrive at the Bangor Humane Society and the day they go home with their new families. All of the love and care they receive in between those two days are what makes the second one possible. With this gift, you're making sure that all the animals the expert care, treatment, spay/neuter and attention they require from the day they arrive until the day they are adopted.



Tonka

\$1,000: Gift of a Second Chance

Whether repairing a broken bone, delivering emergency care, or providing rehabilitative support, specialized surgeries and therapeutic recovery is needed by a fair percentage of our animals at some point during their stay at the Bangor Humane Society. The Gift of a Second Chance option ensures access to the specialized medical care, equipment and veterinary partners who help us save the lives of those most in need of a second chance and allows our staff to meet every need of every animal in our care without hesitation.

Make a gift this holiday.

The **Bangor Humane Society** champions the humane treatment and adoption of companion animals, provides quality care for homeless pets, and promotes animal welfare through education and advocacy.



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