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Without **YOU**, it wouldn't be **PAW**ssible.

## New logo, same important mission.



Toledo's most-respected no-kill rescue is over 90 years old and we are celebrating by making a few changes. We are now **Toledo Animal Rescue** with a new logo, tag line and an energized spirit.

The Toledo Animal Rescue board members and animal support team are confident that now is the time to make this important change, but our focus will continue to be on the wellbeing of the animals. By re-branding now, we are ensuring a new generation continues to support the much needed work of the Toledo Animal Rescue.

*"It will take some time to re-brand the Rescue. We must carefully roll it out in stages when it's most cost-effective. We're determined this initiative will not distract from our*

*mission which has always been helping animals find loving homes."*

*- Kate Kelley, Board President.*

### **Our Mission:**

To care for and to provide temporary and **indefinite** shelter for homeless and abandoned dogs and cats by promoting and sponsoring animal welfare education programs, adoptions, preventive veterinary care, and a mandatory spay/neuter program, with emphasis on a **"no-kill"** policy for its animals.

The Toledo Animal Rescue would like to thank **HOT Graphics** for being a generous local sponsor.

# TOLEDO ANIMAL RESCUE

## LETTER FROM THE PRESIDENT

Greetings from the newly re-christened **Toledo Animal Rescue!** I would like to take a moment to thank you all for being a cherished part of the Toledo Animal Rescue community.

With your help, generosity, and support the Toledo Animal Rescue has been able to save the lives of thousands of animals in Toledo for over 90 years! While this number may seem impressive, it is sadly very small in comparison to the number of homeless animals that are euthanized every year due to overcrowding in shelters and the lack of resources available to help them. Although we sport a new name and a refreshed logo, the Toledo Animal Rescue will continue on, unwavering in our mission, until **every animal knows the warmth of a loving home and a family of their own.**

As you read the stories on the following pages, keep in mind that we are only able to take in and offer indefinite care for animals because of donations from people like you. Your 100% tax-deductible gift will make sure that our animals receive the medical care, food, and shelter they need, as well as a chance to find the “forever home” they deserve. **Thank you for your ongoing support!**

- Kate Kelley, Board President

Toledo Animal Rescue is a 501(c)(3) nonprofit organization.  
The Rescue doesn't receive any government funding and relies solely on donations.

## E-NEWSLETTER

If you would like to know what is going on at the Toledo Animal Rescue, take a few minutes and sign up for our e-newsletter.

Each month we will share adoption stories, upcoming events, and other Rescue-related news.

Visit [toledoanimalrescue.org](http://toledoanimalrescue.org) and sign up on our homepage. We just need your name and email address.



## OUR RESCUE

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### HOURS

Open  
12:00 pm - 4:00 pm  
Closed  
Wednesdays,  
Sundays, Holidays

### BOARD OF DIRECTORS

Patti Ankney  
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### RESCUE TEAM

Helen F. Bensch - Executive Director  
Charley Linden - Marketing Consultant  
Janie Perry - Rescue Assistant  
Tiffany Zemski - Front Reception

## BECOME A KENNEL SPONSOR

Our **Kennel Sponsorship Program** makes a great gift idea for special occasions or events, like birthdays, anniversaries, weddings, and graduations. It's also a thoughtful way to honor or pay tribute to a friend, family member, or pet. For companies, it's a unique way to show your community support.

Once you become a sponsor of a kennel, Toledo Animal Rescue will send you updates on the animals that are directly benefiting from your generosity. Your kennel will also receive a sponsor nameplate.

All kennel sponsorships are eligible for a charitable tax receipt. Visit [toledoanimalrescue.org/donate](https://toledoanimalrescue.org/donate) and select "**Kennel Sponsorship**" in the side menu or call the Rescue at 419-382-1130 for more details.

## VOLUNTEERS NEEDED

As a volunteer, you can help the Toledo Animal Rescue save thousands of unwanted cats and dogs -- giving them the opportunity to find loving new homes. **Your contribution of time and effort is greatly appreciated and always welcome!**

All volunteers must be at least 16 years of age. If you are 16 or 17 years of age then you will be required to have a parent or legal guardian attend the orientations with you and they must sign a liability release waiver form to proceed.

We look forward to meeting you. **Our volunteers do such amazing work and we really enjoy having them at the Rescue.**

Visit [toledoanimalrescue.org/volunteer](https://toledoanimalrescue.org/volunteer) to learn more about giving us a helping hand (paw).

Without **YOU**, it wouldn't be **PAW**ssible.

Follow us on  
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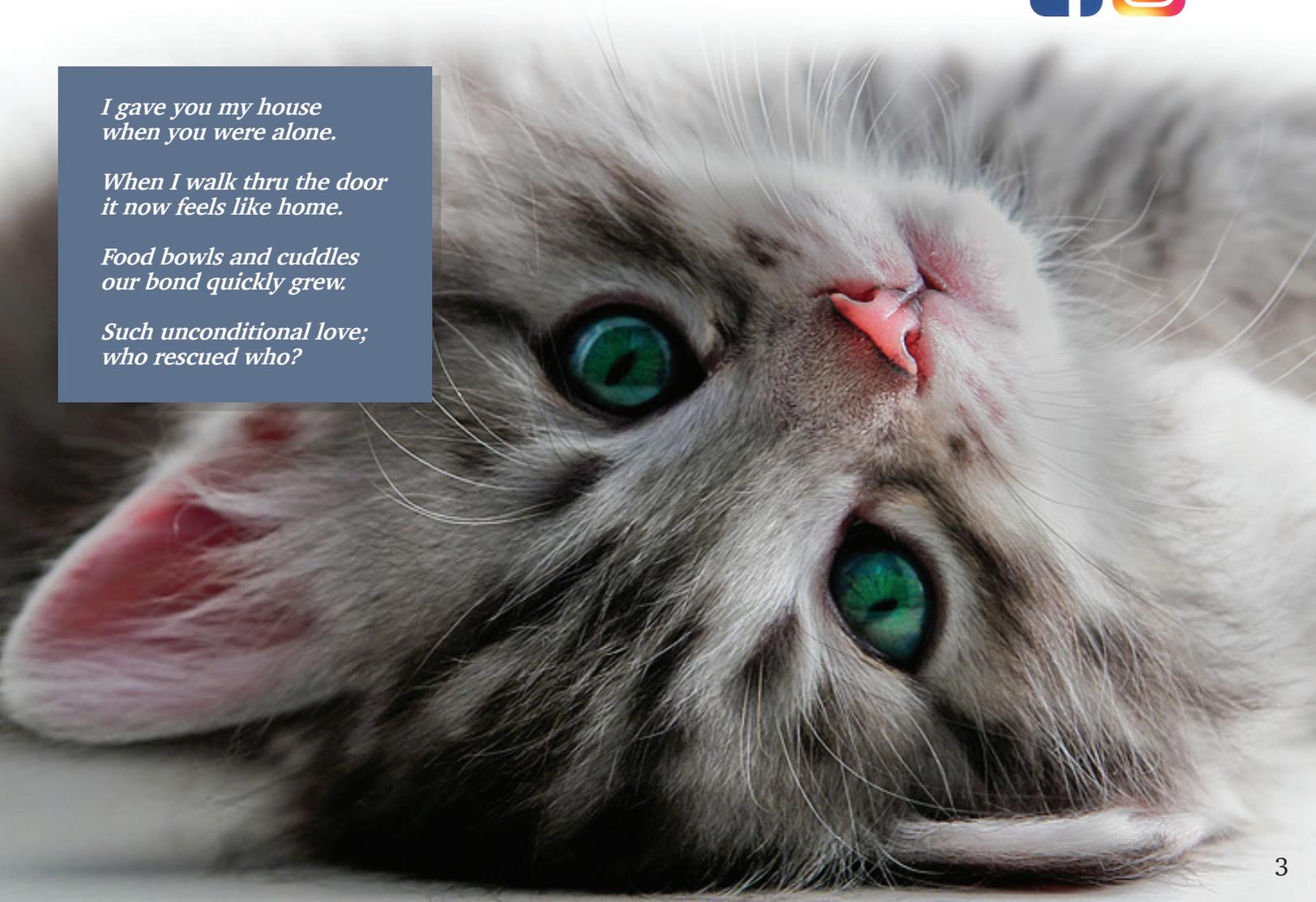


*I gave you my house  
when you were alone.*

*When I walk thru the door  
it now feels like home.*

*Food bowls and cuddles  
our bond quickly grew.*

*Such unconditional love;  
who rescued who?*





## A CELEBRATION OF WINE & FOOD

Toledo Animal Rescue **Celebration of Wine and Food Event** will be held this year on October 24, 2018, from 5:30 pm - 8:00 pm at Manhattan's Restaurant in Uptown Toledo.

Celebrants will taste four wines, accompanied by generous hors d'oeuvres and desserts for only \$45 per person with all proceeds benefiting Toledo Animal Rescue.

The popular **Wine Ring-Toss** will return this year along with special raffle items.

Tickets may be purchased in advance at Manhattan's, 1516 Adams Street, or by calling 419-243-6675. Visit [toledoanimalrescue.com/wine](http://toledoanimalrescue.com/wine) to order tickets online. Tickets will also be available at the door on the day of the event.



## FROM HELEN'S DESK

### A special hello to all of our friends.

It sure has been an interesting year full of exciting changes!

We tweaked our name and logo and made a bunch of other changes that I am convinced are going to make us a stronger organization.

One thing that will not change is our mission -- to care for and provide temporary and indefinite shelter for homeless and abandoned dogs and cats by promoting and sponsoring animal welfare education programs, adoptions, preventative veterinary care, and a mandatory spay/neuter program, with emphasis on a **no-kill policy** for its animals.

I'd like to take this opportunity to **thank our loyal donors, clients and business associates.** Without your ongoing support, this exciting evolution of our Rescue would not be **PAWssible.**

I look forward to working with you, so we can continue our life-saving and life-changing work.

**Believe me, the best is yet to come!**

Best Regards,

Helen F. Bensch  
Executive Director,  
Toledo Animal Rescue



## REWARDS FOR THE RESCUE

**Toledo Animal Rescue** is part of the **Kroger Community Rewards.** It's easy to sign up and it is **FREE!**



Every time you shop and use your **Kroger Plus Card**, Kroger will make a donation to the Toledo Animal Rescue at **no cost to you.**

Visit [krogercommunityrewards.com](http://krogercommunityrewards.com) and register Toledo Animal Rescue (VK332) as the organization that benefits every time you use your Kroger Plus Card.

**Remember to enroll every year!**

# Letters from home.

## XANDER/GUNNER



Gunner was living at the Rescue for well over a year when we found him. The Rescue team told us he had been abused, neglected, and starved. When we asked why he had been at the Rescue so long, they

explained he had allergies that required special food and medication. Gunner also needed a great deal of patience and understanding because he had no experience living in a real home. If Gunner did get adopted, he would need constant supervision and training because of his prior abuse.

It was clear to us that Gunner **needed our help** and we couldn't leave him at the Rescue knowing we could provide a **loving home**. We introduced Gunner to our dog, Axl, and even though Gunner was a bit hesitant, we were



allowed to take him home for a trial foster period. The Rescue team addressed our concerns and provided expert advice on how best to care for Gunner.

### We never looked back!

Xander, as he is now known, opened up almost immediately upon finding his forever home. He adapted very quickly to being a part of our family. He loves to play with his brother in the yard and has been known to take naps with our kitties. We've never known a sweeter, more cuddly pup.

**We're so happy we found our beautiful son, Xander.**

Thank you,  
Cara & Family



## A LETTER FROM ZEUS

I've been at my new home for a week and wanted to tell you all about it! My new family has two cats, which I ignore. My brother and I take lots of naps together. We

need the naps to have enough energy to run around and play at 11:00 pm each night. Mom and Dad are trying to convince us to play earlier in the day. Mom takes me for walks. Dad takes me running. I do great on a leash, unless I forget and try to go after a squirrel.



My boy's room is upstairs. The first time I went up there with him I was afraid to come down. However, my family worked with me and now **I'm no longer afraid of stairs!**

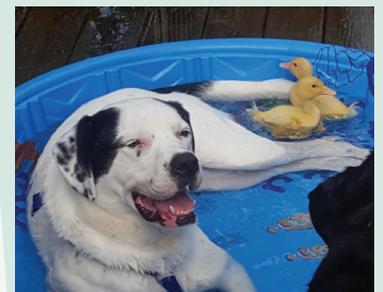
My Mom says I'm a great 3:00 am bathroom buddy. She's the one that has to go, but I usually go with her. I have

not had any accidents in the house! **My family is super proud of me.** I do want to pee wherever my brother pees and Mom says that one day I'm going to pee on his head.

My boy brought home little ducklings. I thought it would be fun to swim with them. I didn't care if they were in my pool. **I love all my family members.**

I am so happy I found my forever home, but still appreciate all the love I received while at the Toledo Animal Rescue. **Mom and Dad are telling everyone what a great place it is so hopefully more forever homes can be found.**

Love and Licks,  
Zeus



## ELSA'S NEW HOME



After my dog of ten years passed away, I decided to visit Toledo Animal Rescue in hopes of finding my new fur baby. The Rescue team was very understanding during such a sad time.

I instantly fell in **love** with a sweet little

Chihuahua named Elsa. I knew immediately I wanted to adopt her. After getting my adoption paperwork approved, the Rescue spent time preparing Elsa for her adoption day and I spent time getting ready for Elsa's homecoming. I was incredibly nervous.

On adoption day I eagerly drove over to the Rescue. The moment Elsa came around the corner she locked eyes with

me and I knew instantly **she had picked me** to be her new mom. We adopted each other that day and we've been inseparable ever since!

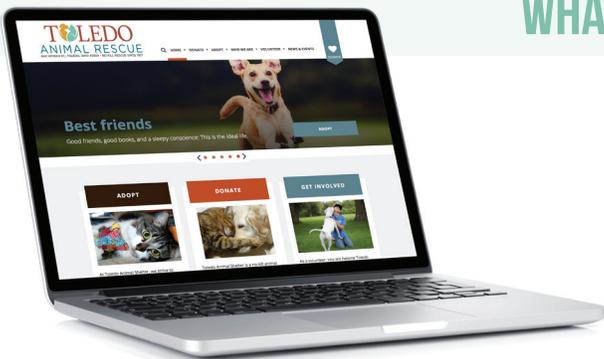
Elsa is a sweetheart whose hobbies include napping with her blanket, playing outside, and eating. She has good manners, is great at cuddling, and loves all that is **pink!**

Thanks again for everything, Toledo Animal Rescue. **We are so happy you brought us together!**

With Warmth,  
Ariel and Elsa



## WHAT CAN YOU DO AT TOLEDOANIMALRESCUE.ORG?



- You can see the animals that are ready for adoption
- You can fill out an adoption application
- You can post a lost or found animal
- You can make a secure, tax-deductible donation
- You can sign up for our e-newsletter
- You can fill out a volunteer application
- You can check out our event calendar

## RESCUE WISH LIST

Toledo Animal Rescue is always in need of supplies. We appreciate anything you can donate to help the animals. Feel free to drop off any of these items during our regular business hours.

### Pet Care Supplies

- Cat Toys (No Cat Nip)
- Dog Toys (Kongs)
- Hills Science Diet Food
- Collars
- Tidy Cats Litter (Clay)
- Small Litter Boxes
- Small Cat Food Dishes (Ceramic)
- Newspapers (No Advertisements)

### Cleaning Supplies

- Dawn Dish Soap
- Bleach (Clorox)
- Laundry Soap
- Dryer Sheets
- Paper Towels
- Toilet Paper (Sewer Safe)
- Swiffer Dusters - Refills
- Trash Bags 33 & 13 Gallon



# We find homes for pets who have recently lost somebody special.

We refuse to forget about the animals that find themselves in an unfortunate situation.

Because pets usually have shorter life spans than their human caregivers, most people don't plan for their animal friend's passing. But what happens when the caregiver is the one who becomes ill, incapacitated, or passes away?

A responsible pet owner provides their pet with food and water, shelter, veterinary care and love, but unfortunately, many owners and their families don't plan for the unthinkable. Toledo Animal Rescue can make sure that cats and dogs caught in these unfortunate circumstances **will receive the quality care they need.**

We're excited to partner with businesses like funeral homes, hospice, and nursing homes to help get the word out to families that might be facing this difficult issue.



*"Some families I meet with will ask if I know of a place that will take in a pet. Walker is happy to recommend the Toledo Animal Rescue, because they are a no-kill organization that will work to re-home these pets."*

*- Bruce Sonnenberg,  
Walker Funeral Home Director*



Harper celebrated her 1st birthday this year. At her birthday party, guests were asked to donate to Toledo Animal Rescue in her honor. **How sweet is that? Thank you very much, Harper.**



Max just turned 8 years old and asked his guests to purchase items from our **Rescue's Wish List** instead of buying him gifts. **You're a great kid, Max!**

## LEAVING A LEGACY

Including Toledo Animal Rescue in your estate planning allows you to **make a profound and lasting impact** on our future sustainability. It also ensures that your generosity continues to help us provide shelter and care for abandoned, surrendered, and homeless animals.

When naming Toledo Animal Rescue in your will, you may leave a specific dollar amount, a set percentage of your estate, or a particular property. You can also name the Rescue as the beneficiary of your retirement plan, life insurance policy, bank account, mutual fund, charitable remainder trust, or charitable lead trust. Each of these options may help you reduce your estate taxes. Consult your financial or legal advisor as you consider your options.

**Please let us know if you have included Toledo Animal Rescue in your estate planning so we can thank and recognize you.**

