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# Illness Outbreak Support Leads to Hundreds of Adoptions in Omaha

Thanks to you, we provided critical support to the Nebraska Humane Society (NHS) shelter this summer after dogs in their care began to show signs of a respiratory illness called canine pneumovirus. This outbreak forced the NHS team to implement emergency protocols, which included the quarantine of dogs who were potentially exposed to the virus and urgent care for dogs who showed signs of the illness. After several weeks receiving specialized care and attention in isolation, the dogs were back to good health and NHS was able to return to normal operations.

To keep the infection contained while continuing to provide care for new animals coming into the shelter, members of our National Field Response team helped operate an emergency shelter where we assisted in providing boots-on-the-ground support with daily care, behavioral support and enrichment for healthy animals. This allowed the NHS team to focus on monitoring dogs in quarantine and providing the necessary care for sick dogs in isolation.

With ASPCA® support, NHS then hosted an adoption event where nearly 100 animals were adopted in one weekend! We continued to work with NHS to find placement opportunities for additional homeless animals in their care to free up critical space and resources.

When emergency situations like this strike without notice, it can put a strain on shelters that are already experiencing capacity and resource challenges. That's why we work with shelter partners across the country to provide critical resources and support during times of crisis. We are grateful to be in a position where we could deploy 30 animal welfare professionals to assist the Nebraska Humane Society while they worked tirelessly to keep the animals in their care safe and healthy. And we are grateful to you for making it possible.

Learn more about our work with shelters across the country at aspca.org/sheltercollab.







### Happy Tail

Mila's adopter, Ashley, knew she wanted to adopt a pit bull. "I feel like they're gentle giants and it really hurts my heart because they get such a bad rap."

Despite being a suspected dogfighting survivor, Ashley says, "She's just the happiest thing in the whole world. Dogs who have been in bad situations aren't bad dogs. They just want to be your best friend and be there for you, so if you provide a loving home, all they're going to do is love you right back."



#### **Sharing the Love with Subaru**

The ASPCA® is once again honored to have been selected by Subaru as a national charity partner for the 2024 Subaru Share the Love® Event. The event, dating back to 2008, has brought an astounding \$35 million in donations to the ASPCA and through our longstanding partnership with Subaru, has made a difference for more than 134,000 animals in need.

You can help spread the word, share the love and help animals live better lives!

For more information about the ASPCA's participation in the Subaru Share the Love Event, please visit **aspca.org/sharethelove**.

#### A Note from Matt Bershadker

Guardians, it's hard to believe we're approaching the end of another year. Because of you, it has been a year of healing, happiness and hope for thousands of animals across the country.

I have the privilege of being inspired each and every day; by the dedication of our staff, the resilience and love of animals who have been through so much and, of course, by you. You're the reason we are able to deploy at a moment's notice to where we're needed most. You're the reason local shelters, like the Nebraska Human Society, can depend on us for critical support during times of crisis. And you're the reason dogs like Mila are connected with adoring families.

Everything the ASPCA achieves is made possible through the generosity of committed Guardians like you, and I hope you know just how much you do for dogs, cats horses and farm animals today and every day.

Thank you for being a partner in this work!

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#### Save the Date:

#### Giving Tuesday Is December 3!

It's the biggest giving day of the year! Spread the ASPCA's message and share your love for animals by creating a special Giving Tuesday fundraiser on Instagram or Facebook. Let your family and friends know why you support the ASPCA and encourage them to take action on this global day of giving.

#### **Important Information**

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