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To our valued supporters:

Smith County Humane has the opportunity to purchase a location for a much needed shelter for the animals abandoned, lost, and stray in Smith County, BUT **WE NEED YOUR HELP** to make it happen!

Time is of the essence to make this happen, so we are actively and desperately seeking help from everyone to help make this possible for Smith County.

Our overall goal is to raise **\$750k**, but our Initial Goal to get into the shelter is \$200,000 for building and operations. We will have to continue actively fundraising once we get into the building, as the costs of the building are just the beginning. The initial \$200,000 gets us in the building and covers some of the initial costs for operations (staffing and equipment that will be needed, as well as building expenses (utilities and insurance). **Our Goal is 90 days to raise \$200k!**

We KNOW how many people have wanted an animal shelter here in Smith County for years now, and we have the opportunity to make that happen. We are a small rural community, with approx 20,000 residents. We exceed both the State and National averages for pet ownership in our county. With 3-7 reports on average coming in daily of stray or roaming animals. Sheltering animals who are roaming at large is not only in the best interest of the animal but it's in the best interest of the community as well as it's a public health and safety issue.

We have asked the County for assistance with funding, however it is not currently on their list of priorities, so it's up to us to make this possible and maybe eventually they will figure out how dire the need is for the community and begin to support our efforts.

We ask that you consider how much you can contribute to our SHELTER AND OPERATIONS FUND to help get this much needed shelter for the community! Then we ask that you reach out to everyone you know and ask them to help and continue to the chain! It takes a village, and we HAVE to be the village, we have no other choice.

Thank you for your time, and for your consideration! We know that we ask A LOT from the community to help, and we appreciate every \$1 that comes in to make a difference! — Shenia Pllum, President Smith County Humane

Pledge Form: Please complete and return this form with your contribution or select "bill me"

I pledge to support Smith County Humane with the following contribution to the Shelter and Operations Fund \$\_\_\_\_\_ for the next \_\_\_\_\_ years or a one time donation of \$\_\_\_\_\_.

\_\_\_\_\_ I am sending my donation today! My Donation Will be MATCHED BY: \_\_\_\_\_

\_\_\_\_\_ Please bill me in June 2022 for my annual pledge or Choose Month \_\_\_\_\_

Name: \_\_\_\_\_ Address: \_\_\_\_\_

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