

THE CAMPAIGN TO TRANSFORM

SUMMER 2021

ANIMAL WELFARE

Goals matter. When I arrived at AHS in 2013, I set a goal to transform Maricopa County from the second worst place in the U.S. to be a homeless animal, to one of the best — and in seven years, we met this goal, powered by your generosity and support.

Dreams matter more. Replacing our failing animal hospital at the Sunnyslope Campus becomes more pressing as we enter the summer months. Our Second Chance Animal Trauma Hospital™ capacity nearly doubles and calls reporting animal abuse, neglect and injury increase as quickly as the temperature. Our Pet Resource Center, Admissions and Foster Teams concurrently prepare for what may come from the looming eviction crisis. Our staff and volunteers dream of the new Arizona Humane Society Papago Park Campus anchored by the Medical Complex and P.E.T. Center now more than ever, while making great strides to turn that dream into a reality.

We will break ground on our new campus this fall and plan to open the doors in the early spring of 2023. Our new Papago Park Campus will operate in tandem with the existing Nina Mason Pulliam Campus for Compassion, opening up the possibilities for more complex medical interventions, continued strategic spay/neuter initiatives, research, adoptions and unparalleled life-saving capabilities.

The new campus will become a teaching hospital, hosting student rotations in trauma and shelter medicine through the two Arizona veterinary schools. We will seek collaborative research opportunities with local and national animal welfare partners like



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the ASU Canine Science Collaboratory, the University of Wisconsin and others to study animal behavior, enrichment and diseases like Valley Fever and Distemper — once considered death sentences for shelter animals.

Here, the animals in our care will be assured of the bright future they deserve. And our dream to be the model for animal welfare locally and nationally will come to life.

We truly value your input and support for the Campaign to Transform Animal Welfare. Should you have any questions about our dream and why it matters, please do not hesitate to contact me at transform@azhumane.org.

Warmly,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read 'Steven R. Hansen'.

Dr. Steven R. Hansen

FUNDRAISING PROGRESS

Thanks to the generosity of our Campaign Cabinet, Board of Directors and many key individuals making early campaign commitments, we have raised \$17.4 million, not including a very generous \$1 million in-kind gift from Ryan Companies. This leaves us with \$10.6 million remaining to raise from our donors and friends.



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DONOR SPOTLIGHT:

BISSELL Pet Foundation

Cathy Bissell's vision of reducing the number of animals in shelters and finding loving homes for every pet prompted her to found the BISSELL Pet Foundation (BPF) in 2011. A hands-on leader, Cathy Bissell collaborates with animal welfare organizations around the country to save lives and solve problems through grant funding for pet adoption, spay/neuter, microchipping and emergency support. To date, BPF has impacted 331,055 pets across its network of more than 5,300 partner organizations in all 50 states.

When Cathy and the BPF team visited the Arizona Humane Society's Second Chance Animal Trauma Hospital™, they saw first-hand the quality of services AHS provides homeless pets in Arizona. Because of BPF's confidence in the life-saving capabilities of the AHS Papago Park Campus anchored by the Medical Complex and P.E.T. Center, they have committed an especially generous, milestone gift to the Campaign to Transform Animal Welfare. We are extremely proud to announce the naming of the new BISSELL Pet Foundation Spay/Neuter Unit at the Papago Park Campus for the BISSELL Pet Foundation.



Cathy Bissell with Keys, who received life-saving funding from BISSELL Pet Foundation.

DONOR SPOTLIGHT:

Stuart and Ted Tufty

Stuart and Ted Tufty's genuine love of animals and generosity toward the Arizona Humane Society (AHS) is no well-kept secret. You have probably seen them on TV with AHS, in one of our email blasts or even in our Paw Prints newsletters. That is because for over six years, the Tuftys have been fostering animals – 119 and counting – and providing “match” dollars to double donations for special AHS fundraising events.

As Foster Heroes, the Tuftys know first-hand that the antiquated facilities at the AHS Sunnyslope Campus cannot sustain the future growth of our Valley and animal population. AHS is proud to announce that the foster power couple has stepped up once again with an incredible \$500,000 gift toward the Campaign to Transform Animal Welfare, which will name the new Foster Lobby at the AHS new Papago Park Campus.. Says Ted, “Our giving comes from our hearts. The satisfaction comes from being part of a great organization.”



Ted and Stuart Tufty with two of their 119 foster pets.

PROGRAM SPOTLIGHT: SPAY AND NEUTER

Did you know that unaltered cats can have up to three litters and dogs can have two litters every year? Spay/neuter initiatives are a core program at the Arizona Humane Society. Last year, AHS performed a staggering 6,203 spay/neuter surgeries in the cramped space at the Second Chance Animal Trauma Hospital™ in our 64-year-old Sunnyslope Campus.

AHS is looking toward the future as we plan our new Papago Park Campus, and enhanced, state-of-the-art spay/neuter facilities are a priority. The new spay/neuter unit will offer additional surgery suites and separate areas for dog and cat procedures. More space means less risk of disease spread in our pets and better flow for staff efficiency. Additionally, AHS will finally have the room to train future vets as we team with Midwestern University and UA College of Veterinary Medicine. AHS' transformation of animal welfare is on the horizon and dependent on vital, proactive spay/neuter measures that prevent unwanted litters that lead to homeless pets and overcrowded shelters.



Kiera and her unplanned litter of five pups.

PROGRAM SPOTLIGHT: BOTTLE BABY ICU

Summer is kitten season, when the tiniest lives come through the doors of the Arizona Humane Society. Although these kittens were once considered too young to save, committed AHS veterinarians, medical technicians and volunteers developed the AHS Bottle Baby ICU in what was once a storage room in our Sunnyslope Second Chance Animal Trauma Hospital™. Here, kittens ages 1-day to 4-weeks old are nurtured and bottle fed every two hours, 24 hours a day. Last year alone, AHS gingerly cared for 1,353 bottle baby kittens with an incredible 90 percent success rate. At the new Papago Park Campus, AHS will have the capabilities, technology and desperately needed space to drastically increase our capacity for neonatal and underage kittens in a state-of-the-art Bottle Baby ICU and Kitten Nursery.



Bottle feeding a neonatal kitten in the AHS Bottle Baby ICU.

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AHS Capital Campaign Cabinet Member Ann Siner presented Dr. Steven Hansen a check for her \$1,000,000 milestone campaign contribution last month at My Sister's Closet in Scottsdale.

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