

Have you ever considered what life would be like if the Mendocino Coast Humane Society ceased to exist?

- ❖ Many hundreds of homeless animals would have no refuge, no veterinary care, and little hope of someone alleviating their suffering.
- ❖ Underserved pet owners would have little or no access to basic veterinary services.
- ❖ We would see even more uncontrolled reproduction of companion animals, quickly increasing the number of homeless and unwanted animals by the thousands.
- ❖ Aspiring pet owners would have no convenient access to a selection of healthy, neutered, vaccinated, and microchipped dogs and cats to bring into their families.

These are just a few of the examples that may come to mind. With so many animals and pet guardians in need, not only locally but in surrounding communities, we know we are doing important work. But we cannot dwell only on the present, we also must prepare for the future. That is why sustaining the Mendocino Coast Humane Society by including us in your estate planning is so important. It is a meaningful way to leave a lasting legacy while making a profound, far reaching impact on countless lives.

Thank you for considering a legacy for the animals.

Other Ways to Support Us

There are many ways you can support the programs and services at the Mendocino Coast Humane Society and help homeless animals get a second chance. Here are just a few:

Bring us a check. Send us a check.

Make a one-time online gift

Your support of the Mendocino Coast Humane Society allows us to continue providing shelter, food, medical care, and new homes for hundreds of lost and unwanted animals each year.

Make a Monthly Sustaining Gift

Call the Shelter to make arrangements.

Make a gift in honor or memory of a special person or pet

An honor or memorial gift to the Mendocino Coast Humane Society is a terrific way to acknowledge the people and animals in your life that have a special place in your heart.

Double or triple your donation through your employer's matching gift program

Find out if your employer is among the hundreds of companies that will match charitable gifts made by their employees or retirees.

Donate a vehicle

Call the Shelter to make arrangements

The best way to donate is by check made to Mendocino Coast Humane Society and brought (or mailed) to the Shelter or the Ark.

Shelter
19691 Summers Lane
707.964.7729

The Ark Thrift Store
18274 Highway 1
at the Round-About

Fort Bragg, California



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Our Mission is to contribute to a better life for animals and to inspire public awareness of animals' needs.

We achieve this by:

- Providing a safe haven** for homeless animals and secure for them permanent, loving and responsible homes;
- Working toward ending the problem of pet over-population** through accessible spay/neuter services;
- Serving as a source of information and assistance** regarding the care and well-being of companion animals;
- Preventing euthanasia** of healthy and treatable companion animals.

The Mendocino Coast Humane Society relies on donations to continue our lifesaving work. Through the years, many individuals have found planned giving to be an excellent way to benefit and sustain the important work we do.

You can support the MCHS's future efforts to save and improve the lives of homeless pets by including us in your estate plan. This type of giving may help you achieve specific financial goals, such as reducing or eliminating certain tax liability.

A gift without restrictions allows us to apply the funds to our most pressing needs. But you also have the right to restrict your gift by specifying in your will how the funds are to be used. Some people wish to designate funds to help dogs or cats specifically or to one or more of our specific programs:

Adoptions – We dedicate ourselves to matching individuals and families with animals that best suit their lifestyles and households.

Low-Cost Spay and Neuter Clinic – By providing convenient access to our low-cost spay/neuter clinic, we significantly reduce the number of homeless animals and enable our community members to make healthy choices for their pets.

Foster Care Program – Motherless puppies and kittens, as well as animals that are ill or have special needs, are provided for through our foster program, where they receive the special care they need while in the home of a kind-hearted and dedicated volunteer.

Volunteer Program – We have dozens of people involved in our volunteer program who help enrich the lives of our shelter animals by walking dogs and socializing cats. Many of our volunteers donate their time helping in our office and with fundraising events.

Ways to create a Legacy

Charitable bequests to support our work can take various forms, including:

General Bequest – You designate that the Mendocino Coast Humane Society is to receive a specific dollar amount.

Specific Bequest – You leave the MCHS specific property.

Percentage Bequest – The MCHS receives a percentage of your estate rather than a specific dollar amount.

Residuary Bequest – You designate a portion of your property to MCHS after all debts, taxes, expenses and other bequests have been paid.

There are many other options as well. Please contact a financial planner or estate planning attorney to determine which option is best for your particular financial situation.

Tax Information:

Mendocino Coast Humane Society
19691 Summers Lane
Fort Bragg, CA 95437
Federal Tax ID 94-3053960

For information on how your designated charitable gift can help ensure we can continue our mission for years to come, please contact Chuck Tourtillott, Executive Director at (707)964-0328, or at

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