

Bedford Humane Society: Saving Lives, Building Families

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As construction wraps, our focus turns to preparing programs, staff, and spaces



fter months of construction, years of planning, and decades of dreaming, Bedford Humane Society is preparing to open the

doors to our new Adoption Center in Spring 2026. This long-anticipated milestone has been made possible thanks to the generosity, encouragement, and ongoing support of our incredible community.

Since the ceremonial groundbreaking in April, construction has steadily progressed under the leadership of Coleman-Adams Construction Inc. of Forest. As the building nears completion, we're turning our attention to the landscaping and final interior details. We're also preparing staff, procedures, and programs for a successful launch.

The Adoption Center will not function as an animal shelter with open intake. Instead, it will provide a safe, welcoming space for meet-and-greets, foster and program support, adoption events, training sessions, and education. Pets that have completed medical protocols may spend short periods of time in the center.

With our community's continued support, we're building a space where more pets can find families, and more families can discover the joy of wel-

coming a loyal companion home.

At left: Jolene's eager-to-please attitude makes her a dream to train, according to her foster mom, Christie. As one of Bedford Humane Society's longest-term foster pets, Jolene is still waiting for her perfect match. Read more about her journey inside.





CAPITAL CAMPAIGN FUNDS RAISED TO DATE \$1,800,000 \$1,700,000 -\$1,600,000 -\$1,500,000 \$1,400,000 \$1,300,000 _ \$1,200,000 \$1,100,000 \$1,000,000 \$900,000 . \$800,000 \$63,111 Capital Campaign funds raised since December 2024 \$352,000 dedicated by donors for the Adoption Center between 1994 and



ADOPTION CENTER CAPITAL CAMPAIGN

HELP US SAVE LIVES

edford Humane Society's new building is nearly complete, but there's still important work ahead. As we move toward the anticipated Spring 2026 opening of our new Adoption Center, we're entering a crucial phase — one that goes beyond construction.

We are still raising funds to finish the building itself and reach our Capital Campaign goal. We're grateful to the businesses and supporters who have helped reduce costs through discounts and in-kind donations, but we haven't crossed the finish line yet. Your continued support will help us complete the space and prepare it for opening day.

The next phase is about building the support system that makes successful adoption stories possible. The Adoption Center will:

- Offer safe spaces for meet-and-greets and adoptions
- Provide a training area to support foster families and the public
- Allow for better animal pairing
- Host adoption events, fostering community connections

Every donation — large or small — helps lay the foundation for a more humane future in Bedford County. **Donate today at BHSVA.org**.

OTHER WAYS TO HELP

APPLIANCES NEEDED

November 2024

\$800,000 base funds

Donated appliances can be scratch and dent, like-new, any color, etc.

- **4 Refrigerators:** 1 full size, 1 apartment size, 2 under-the-counter (must keep dog and cat items separate)
- **3 Countertop Microwaves** (for pet food prep and education room)
- **3 ADA Compliant Dishwashers** (shorter than standard, with front-facing controls)
- **Washer & Dryer:** Full-size, stackable, front-load (for pet bedding, towels, cleaning items)

Bedford Humane Society is a 501(c)(3) nonprofit organization. Tax ID: 54-1699676. All donations are tax-deductible.

SHOP & DONATE ITEMS

Looking to give gently used items a second life while supporting animals in need? Visit the **Bedford Humane Society Thrift Store in Moneta!**

Address: 1100 Celebration Avenue Suite 103 (around the back)

Hours: 11am to 3pm Fridays and Saturdays

Facebook.com/BHSVA

Questions? Call Pat (540-798-6160) or Helene (302-893-7552).

SANTA PHOTOS

- 10am to 1pm Saturday, November 22
- Noon to 3pm Sunday, December 7
- Bedford Tractor Supply

VISIT US ONLINE



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PROFESSIONAL SNUGGLER

ASPIRING BEST FRIEND

olene's not out to steal your man — she's just looking for a heart to call her own. This sweet girl is full of love, hugs, and tail wags, and she's always ready for her next adventure. She adores playing in the water, chasing her favorite ball, and riding in the car. Jolene is also working hard on her leash manners and house training — and she's making great progress!

Though she can be a bit selective with other dogs (and we're still learning about her thoughts on cats), Jolene has so much love to give. Her gentle spirit and loyal nature melt hearts everywhere she goes.

Thanks to our future Bedford Humane Adoption Center, dogs like Jolene will have even more chances to shine. At the new center, she can:

- Socialize and meet new friends both human and furry
- Figure 2 Enjoy structured meet-and-greets with potential adopters
- Get extra TLC, baths, and training support
- Take part in indoor events where her personality can sparkle rain or shine!

If you're looking for a loyal, playful companion to share your life with, Jolene's your girl.



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You are the reason we can continue to save lives.

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HELP US BUILD THEIR PATH HOME

abitha was a young mother with five tiny kittens when she was taken in by a Bedford Humane Society foster. Thanks to the dedication of her foster family, Tabitha and all of her kittens found loving homes. Now fully adjusted to indoor life, she's thriving with her new family, who dote on her.

BHS's Adoption Center will help cats like Tabitha even more. It will offer a short-term, safe area where cats and kittens can grow, play, and meet their future families.





