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**Humane Society of Kitchener Waterloo & Stratford Perth
urging community members to adopt and foster**

KITCHENER AND STRATFORD, ONTARIO: With over 120 animals in their care and both centres in Kitchener and Stratford almost at capacity, the Humane Society of Kitchener Waterloo & Stratford Perth (HSKWSP) is making an urgent appeal for community members to consider adopting or becoming a foster parent.

“We have 125 animals in care between our two centres and another 68 pets waiting for help,” stated Victoria Baby, chief executive officer, HSKWSP. “We are hoping our community will choose to adopt and add a new member to their family. If you cannot adopt, we urge you to open your hearts and homes and become a foster parent.”

Volunteer foster caregivers provide temporary homes for animals waiting to find their forever homes. A foster home significantly decreases a pet’s stress and anxiety, and having a family to care for them in a home environment ensures their overall happiness.

“We are desperately looking for volunteer foster parents until they are ready for adoption,” stated Denise Rowse, manager of volunteers, HSKWSP. “We provide training, food, supplies, and medical care, while all you have to do is provide space and lots of love.”

Fostering a pet is an enriching experience. You help them when they need it the most, and play a critical role in their journey to a forever home. “With a growing need, I’m hopeful that our communities will answer our call out,” added Rowse.

For those interested in adopting available dogs, the HSKWSP is also running a promotion where they have reduced adoption fees for select dogs that have been looking for their forever home for a while.

The Humane Society cares for animals in both their animal centres, as well as with the help of a large number of foster parents at both sites. Operating as a registered charity, the HSKWSP does not receive any government funding and relies on the generosity of its donors, as well as fundraising events and activities.

For more information on how to become a foster parent and adopting a pet or initiatives of the Humane Society, visit kwsphumane.ca or visit them on social media.

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We are leaders in animal welfare in our communities and committed to promoting the human-animal bond, while focusing on the responsible treatment of animals through education, collaboration, compliance, advocacy and care. Charitable BIN 11898 3550 RR0001

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