

### The Shocking Statistics: US Shelter and Adoption Estimates

- **3,500**  
Number of animal shelters
- **6 to 8 million**  
Number of cats and dogs entering shelters each year
- **25 percent**  
Percentage of purebred dogs in shelters
- **3 to 4 million**  
Number cats & dogs adopted from shelters each year
- **2.7 million**  
Number of adoptable cats and dogs euthanized in shelters each year
- **30 percent**  
Percentage of shelter dogs reclaimed by their owners
- **2 to 5 percent**  
Percentage of shelter cats reclaimed by owners

## Help Us Help Them



Willow, a 10 week old black kitten, was left at the side of the street like a piece of garbage. With no food, water or the comfort of her mother, Willow was left to fend for herself in this unfamiliar territory. Fortunately a kind, compassionate woman happened to see this sweet little girl walking around aimlessly, desperately meowing

for her mother. Without a moment's hesitation the woman quickly went to her aid. While talking softly, she picked up Willow and cuddled her close, trying to help comfort her. Upon arrival to our shelter, Willow was signed over by this caring woman and immediately taken to be examined by the vet. During this examination it was brought to our attention that Willow was actually blind. Can you imagine how scared she was?

The staff at the shelter prepared an intake cage with blankets, food and water. Still crying out for her mother, she was gently placed on the soft blanket and guided to the food. Fortunately she was fully weaned and once she got a smell of that food, she ate like there was no tomorrow.

With a full belly and a warm place to settle down, Willow seemed to sense she was safe and with a sigh of contentment, she quickly fell asleep. After much love and care Willow has been adopted and renamed "Jovie."

### Services We Provide

Animal Cruelty and Neglect Investigations  
Care of Unwanted, Abandoned and Stray Animals  
Safe Keeping  
Adopting Animals Out to "Forever Homes"  
Spay/Neuter Program  
Raising Awareness

## Volunteer Opportunities

The Humane Society always welcomes enthusiastic volunteers to join us in our mission! As a non-profit organization, we rely on our volunteers to help us serve the community. Please help us make a difference! Volunteer Responsibilities Include:

- Socializing and exercising animals
- Fundraising activities
- Event support
- Cleaning and general projects
- Office assistance
- Housekeeping

For more information regarding our Volunteer Program, or to register for an orientation, please contact the shelter at **(607)724-3709**.



# Happy Endings



**“Jovie”**

“I’m grateful to The Humane Society for allowing me to adopt her after a thorough check of my application. I appreciate your policies regarding the adoption process of the furry children brought to you. God knew this was meant to be. Jovie is a lover and she has brought me (and Ming-Ming) so much happiness at a time when I needed it most!”



**“Ruthie”**

“Hello we adopted “Ruthie” in June. We re-named her Maya. She is such an amazing part of our family we LOVE her. Thank you for all the hard work you do to rescue and find adopters for these dogs!!”



**“Seera”**

Meet Seera! Seera was left abandoned in an apartment. Her owner would muzzle her with a rubber band to keep her quiet, occasionally leaving her in that state for days at a time. Fortunately, Seera is a resilient pup and shows no signs of emotional damage. She has found a family that loves her dearly. They are reminded by her scar what a terrible start to life she had and how deserving she is to be treated like a Princess!

## Animal Cruelty Results

### “The Dobermans”

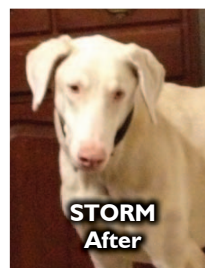
July 4, 2012, it was the smell that alerted the neighbors, a smell that grew over the course of a year, becoming so bad that people couldn’t leave their homes. They worried that the woman who lived in the house with the odor had died. A 911 call dispatched The Humane Society and NY State Police, and what they found led to the end of a terrible, heartbreaking secret. The woman, presenting herself as an animal rescuer and rehabber, had a house full of animals - most of them dead. There were 16 dogs, all Dobermans, 13 of them still alive. The dogs had been locked in crates, living ankle deep in their own feces; they had ammonia-burned skin under matted coats. All were emaciated with open wounds; some weighed less than 40lbs.



**STORM - Before**

The Owner was charged with 16 counts of felony aggravated animal cruelty. All the surviving animals went to the Broome County Humane Society.

The dogs were bathed, fed and received medical care. All of the Dogs, with the exception of Storm, were adopted fairly quickly. Several months had passed before a loving family came to the Shelter to meet him. Storm was the perfect fit for this family! His new name is “Riley the Valiant and Courageous.” Read more about his story at <http://thestormisover.weebly.com/blog.html>.



**STORM  
After**

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