



KIDS IN THE NEWS

Did you know that kids just like you can create a lasting impact on pets in need? Megan, a Girl Scout here in Connecticut, did just that. Megan knew she wanted to help pets in need while earning her Silver Award. This award is earned by a Girl Scout after learning about different local issues and working on a project that will help bring change within the community. Megan collaborated with the Connecticut Humane Society Community Outreach team and then created a "How-to Video" about making no-sew dog beds. This step-by-step video helps CHS connect with crafty supporters who want to create something for pets at the shelter. You can watch the video on the CHS YouTube page by scanning the code below.

CHS has a Patch Program for Boy and Girl Scouts.

This program is offered to youth of all ages. Troops and packs have the opportunity to learn all about pets, while earning a CHS fun patch.

Visit: CThumane.org/patchprogram for more information.

Scan the code and follow along to Megan's video



HOW TO GET INVOLVED

There are many ways to impact CHS pets. One way for the whole family to get involved is to become a foster family. A foster family provides a temporary home for a pet in need. A pet may need to go to foster for many reasons; some pets at CHS are too young to be adopted, others need to recover from an injury, and shy pets need help adjusting and getting comfortable around new people, while others need a quiet place to wait for their surgery date.

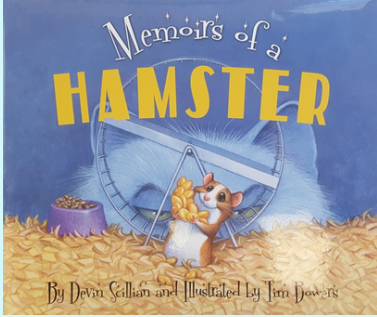
Foster homes provide all this and more to the pets they care for. Becoming a foster home is a great way for everyone in your family to get involved and make a difference in the lives of pets. Foster families are responsible for making sure that the pet is taken care of and receives lots of love. All the supplies and medical care the pet needs are provided free of charge by CHS.



Would your family like to learn more about fostering? Visit: CThumane.org/foster



PAWS AND PAGES



Featured Story:
Memoirs of a Hamster



Author: Devin Scillian
Illustrator: Tim Bowers

Relax with your pet and read a book!

Visit your local library to find this book and other books all about pets!

Reading out loud is a great way for you to practice your reading skills. Find a cozy spot next to your pet and start reading out loud to them. They will enjoy spending time with you and listening to the story.

Do you have a favorite pet-themed book? Tell us what it is at: Outreach@CThumane.org



WINTER SAFETY

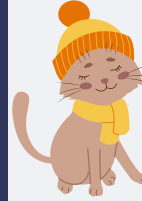
Living in New England can mean frigid temperatures all winter long. It's important to learn how to keep our pets safe and warm when the temperatures bring snow and ice.



Wiping your dog's paws after a walk will help keep them safe from ice, snow and salt, which can be harmful. Be sure to towel off their fur too.



Dog boots can keep paws clean and free from harmful debris.



Coats and sweaters can help keep your pet warm and cozy, especially if they have short fur. Not all pets enjoy being dressed in clothing.

Keep outside time to shorter breaks to make sure your pet stays safe during extreme cold or heavy snow.

If your pet looks unhappy or uncomfortable, find another way to keep them warm, like providing them with warm blankets and a bed they can snuggle up into.



Does your pet enjoy winter fun? Share a photo with us at: Outreach@CThumane.org



TRIVIA



What is it called when a Guinea pig is happy and excited and jumps into the air and spins?

ACTIVITY

Directions: Whose nose is whose? Write what pet has each nose.













Activity answer: cat Guinea pig, ferret, rabbit, rat, dog

Trivia answer: Popcorn

