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2024 GCHS Membership/Sponsor Drive

"Help Us Help Them" 

The decision has been made again to forgo the expense of printing and mailing our biannual newsletters. The newsletter includes shelter updates, stories of successful adoptions, and features of many generous individuals and organizations donating supplies and monetary gifts. We will post our newsletter on our website at www.gchumsoc.org or we can email it to anyone by request. Please send us your email addresses to gchumsoc@runestone.net. Thank you for taking time to read our stories.

For the past 16 years, the Grant County Humane Society at the Fjoslien Animal Shelter has been caring for lost, stray, and abandoned cats and dogs in Grant County. So far in 2023, the shelter has taken in 87 cats and 52 dogs. 63 cats and 26 dogs have found their new forever families. 28 lost dogs have been kept safe in our care until their owners claim them. Others are still waiting. GCHS has always been a no-kill shelter and every animal is cared for by our team until a home is found.

We are grateful for the incredible support shown to our organization by Grant County communities and surrounding areas. The shelter has a team of dedicated employees and volunteers who answer the call at any hour when needed, oftentimes outside of their regular working hours. We work with the amazing doctors and staff at Lake Region Small Animal Center who go above and beyond and provide the shelter with a very generous discount on their services. Staffing and vet care are our largest expenses. Our primary goal is the health and well-being of our animals. All animals are spayed or neutered, given necessary vaccinations, and any health issues are addressed before sending them to their new homes.

2023 has once again brought challenges for many. Costs are going up and contributions are going down with so many tightening their budgets. It costs approximately \$400 a day to keep the shelter open. We do our best to cover normal operating costs through a series of aggressive fundraising events throughout the year. Additional income sources are in the form of memberships and sponsorships, adoption fees, surrender fees, donations, township and city stray animal contracts and funding from Grant County.

We hope you share our belief that the Grant County Humane Society is a necessary entity in our community and realize that over 150 homeless animals a year would have no place to go if our shelter had to close its doors. **This year there were many more intakes than adoptions, and we took in several animals that needed a lot of extra medical attention. GCHS is facing another very challenging year and we continue to do what we can to keep the doors open.** Every dollar raised goes to the care of the animals. We are happy to share our financial statements with anyone who is interested.

We humbly and graciously ask you again to renew your membership or sponsorship for 2024 or become a member or sponsor for the first time. **We now have a Venmo account to accept donations.** Copies of our 501(c)3 tax exempt letter are available upon request or in the entry way of the shelter. We can't thank everyone enough for all your support over the years. Merry Christmas and Happy Holidays!

Your Name/Business

Address

City, State, Zip

Please make checks payable to GCHS.

**Mail to: Grant County Humane Society
1015 Hwy 79 East
Elbow Lake, MN 56531**



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2024 Membership Levels

Individual	\$35.00
Family	\$50.00
Business/Sponsor	\$100.00

Why become a GCHS Member?

- Support the homeless animals
- Contribute to a cause you care about
- Be a voice for those that cannot speak
- Stay informed