

# 2012 annual report



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# Message from the CEO

For the past 106 years, 365 days a year, the Edmonton Humane Society has provided humane care and second chances for homeless animals in our community.

It seems that in each annual report I write "this year is like no other". And I invariably add how proud I am as we keep moving forward for the animals and the community, reaching higher and achieving more.

The truth is that 2012 really was a year of proud achievements. Through these pages and the annual video you will see firsthand how our EHS family of donors, staff, and volunteers made a difference to the many animals that came to us in need. You'll see it does take a village to do what we do – an EHS village, if you will.

Valentina, on the cover of this year's report, is a shining example of just one of those achievements. It is so difficult to adequately describe her story and journey to a loving home; you can read more about how she came to be with us on page 5. Valentina benefited from many of our programs – from comprehensive medical care, to daily enrichment, to a loving foster home, to being featured in the media and putting a face to animal abandonment. Her celebrity status will hopefully even result in having others think twice before doing this to another living creature.

Valentina struggled for months to meet her full potential. Fortunately, she had a fierce will to live. And thanks to the EHS village and all of the extra support, like love, financial support, and day-to-day care, her story came to a very happy ending.

There are many other achievements that the EHS village made possible this year. What we have achieved together for the animals is truly extraordinary.

Year after year we brace ourselves for high season and the onslaught of countless puppies and kittens arriving in our shelter. For years we have seen the need to have a public spay and neuter program, knowing this was one of the best ways that the EHS can help to combat this crisis. In 2012 that need was filled with help from the City of Edmonton providing some much

needed funds to assist with this life saving program.

The PALS (Prevent Another Litter Subsidy) program provides qualified low-income members of our community with access to affordable spay or neuter surgeries for their pets and a wealth of information about responsible pet ownership and pet wellness.

While it is still too early to see the tangible impact being made on the number of unwanted feline and canine litters born in our region we look forward to sharing the full results with you in upcoming annual reports.

2012 marked another year of achievements in our Veterinary Services department. It still amazes me how far the department has come since the days of the old shelter. The scope of veterinary care that we provide today would have been unimaginable even 5 years ago. Many of our animals receive much more than just vaccines or a spay or neuter procedure. More and more often, we admit animals in need of additional treatment, anywhere from dental cleanings to orthopedic surgeries. These are treatments which we are able to provide efficiently and effectively, thanks to our EHS village.

Because of the leading veterinary care now offered at our shelter, we are also in a position to mentor and offer skills development to internationally-trained veterinarians. The EHS is leading the way as a teaching shelter hospital. These men and women will eventually seek licenses to practice in our province, where they will in turn provide valuable care to pets in our community. It's a wonderful achievement.

Although animals typically transition quickly out of their temporary home with EHS, we want their stay with us to be as stress free and as comfortable as we are capable of offering.

We enhanced our canine residents' already thriving playgroup program which is essential for socializing the dogs and reinforcing proper behaviors before adoption into a home. We improved the program by developing comprehensive training for our volunteers so they could be deployed as playgroup supervisors. This resulted in even more yard time for the dogs and gave our behavior



specialists the ability to focus more individual attention on our more challenged canines.

Our feline enrichment programs were also enhanced, with a focus on improving the cats' environment in our back holding wards. To keep their bodies and minds busy we introduced scratch carpets, treat-based activities, and a variety of exercise programs.

In an effort to achieve a long-standing goal of the removal of breed specific legislation in Edmonton, the EHS was thrilled to provide expertise to the City Council dismantling myths of pitbull looking dogs. Thanks, in part, to our efforts Edmonton's bylaws were changed and pitbulls are no longer marginalized in our community. I cannot overstate how important this achievement was.

These are just brief snapshots of the great things achieved last year. I invite you to enjoy the rest of the report where I'm confident the pages that follow will do a great job of building upon my words and showing you all the life saving, amazing work that is accomplished here at the EHS each and every day.

We could not have achieved any of this without the EHS village, our generous supporters, amazing volunteers, dedicated staff members and committed partners. Without you, there would be far fewer achievements to celebrate.

Your continued support and dedication inspires and humbles us, and it never ceases to affirm that the common goals for which we strive are indeed achievable. And so it is with unshakeable optimism that I look forward to another incredible year in 2013.

Stephanie McDonald  
CEO | Edmonton Humane Society

# Message from the Chair

On behalf of my fellow board members, I am pleased to present this year's Edmonton Humane Society (EHS) annual report.

Your board has worked hard this year to continue to provide good governance for the Society. I gratefully acknowledge the service of my fellow board members, and thank those who are now completing their terms on the board. Your contributions to the society, and to animal welfare, are greatly appreciated. Equally, I want to acknowledge all volunteers for the generous gift of your time and talents. Your assistance enables a broad range of activities, from Pets in the Park to educational programs to improved quality of life for the animals in our care, and we are sincerely grateful.

I am very pleased that the Society maintains a solid financial footing to help and care for animals in the Edmonton region and beyond. We owe this, in large part, to the generosity of our donors. This incredible generosity is overwhelming and we are so very grateful for the continued support of our community, which allows us to continue providing excellent animal care.

The EHS continues to be a leader in the field of companion animal welfare. Programs and services help to encourage responsible pet ownership, engage and enlighten, and foster a closer bond between people and their pets.

Once again, the EHS saw a large number of animals accepted and adopted through the shelter in 2012. Innovative adoption promotional programs ensured that 7,671 animals found their loving homes before the year's end.

Finally, our sincere thanks go to the dedicated staff and volunteers who run a compassionate organization with the welfare of the animals always at the forefront of all they do.

Dean Heuman  
Chair, Board of Directors  
Edmonton Humane Society





## mission statement

Through partnership and innovation, the Edmonton Humane Society (a registered charity) is committed to helping homeless and abused companion animals, enlightening people and enriching lives.



## vision statement

The Edmonton Humane Society leads the community in elevating peoples' beliefs, attitudes and behaviors to enhance the quality of life for companion animals.

# helping animals in need

Animal Care by the numbers	2012	2011
Animals admitted	12,824	12,938
Animals adopted	7,761	7,567
Animals returned to their owners	669	1,252
Spay/neuter surgeries performed	6,290	6,060
Animals placed in foster care	1,305	1,218
Animals euthanized		
– at owner's request	467	484
– because they were unhealthy, suffering from a contagious disease, orphaned under 1 month of age or had untreatable medical conditions	1,836	2,211
– with unmanageable and unrehabilitatable behavior concerns in the shelter	987	1,076
– because they were feral	248	287
Cats adopted through special programs		
– on cat adoption incentive days	1,021	760
– through the Barn Buddies program	121	137
– through the Senior for a Senior program	21	12
Dogs and puppies transferred in from other shelters and organizations	613	802



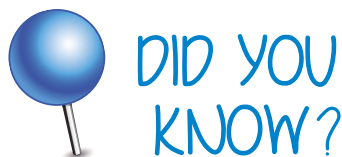
## PROTECTING ANIMALS

The summer of 2012 marked one of the worse cases of cat hoarding our Animal Protection Department had seen in years. Over the course of two months our Animal Protection Community Peace Officers (APOs) visited a house in west Edmonton every day, to remove timid cats from the property whenever they could be caught. Food and water was left for the remaining cats between visits. Our officers needed protective suits and masks to enter the home, conditions inside were so horrible. In total, 175 felines were removed from the property. Sadly, most of these felines required euthanasia because they had serious medical concerns beyond our capability to help or were nearly feral due to a lack of human contact. Charges were never laid in this case, due to the owner passing away.

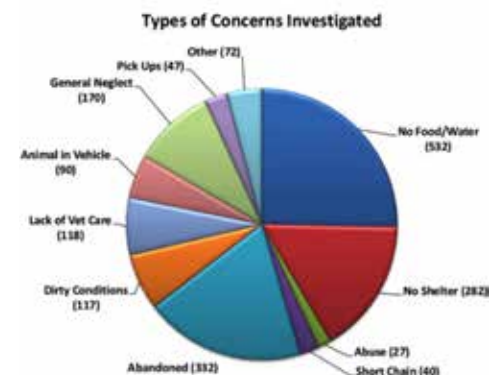
Perhaps one of the most alarming cases we've dealt with – that of rabbit hoarder, Shelly Zenner – wrapped up in 2012. Zenner pleaded guilty to the charges brought against her and her sentencing involved a fine of \$8,500 – the highest fine on a single count resulting from one of our APOs investigations. Zenner received a life-time ban from owning animals, with the exception of one spayed/neutered dog or cat. Additionally, she received a 2-year ban from attending any business that sells animals, and she must undergo counseling.



Animal Protection by the numbers	2012	2011
Calls	5,670	6,225
Investigations	2,203	1,213
Charges laid	1	2
Convictions	3	4



A total of 31,514 kilometers were driven by officers in 2012.



# Valentina

In January of 2012, Valentina – or Tiny Tina, as she became affectionately known to staff – captured hearts and minds with her incredible tale of survival. Valentina was barely alive the day she came into our care, a day that is etched in the minds of many staff members.

Valentina's story begins in an apartment that had been recently vacated by her owners. Amidst the bustling chaos of the move, Valentina disappeared. Her owners searched for her but were unable to find her. Reasoning that there were only so many spots their cat could hide in an empty apartment, the owners concluded that Valentina must have slipped out an open window or door. When Valentina failed to show herself, her owners left. In reality, Valentina remained well hidden inside the apartment.

The suite had been vacant for nearly three weeks when the building's landlord entered the apartment and found Valentina. There she was, lying on her side, nearly dead from starvation and dehydration. She was placed in our care and, for several days afterwards, no one could be certain what the outcome for Valentina would be. Her condition was such that organ failure was a real possibility. Tina spent several days clinging to life while being closely monitored by our shelter veterinarians and medical team. Slowly but surely, Tina grew stronger and gained weight. After being cleared for foster care by our medical team, she went home with an experienced foster family. After about a week, she mustered the strength to jump onto a chair, which signaled the start of her dramatic improvement.

As she started to improve, Valentina garnered national media attention when she had an online Skype date with Tiny – a cat that had been admitted to the Fredricton SPCA in New Brunswick. Tiny and Valentina's stories were parallel to one another. Both had been abandoned by their owners early in January and both were suffering from issues related to body weight. The crucial difference was that Tiny weighed a shocking 30 pounds when he was admitted while Tina weighed in at less than four. We collaborated with the Fredricton SPCA to bring attention to Tiny and Tina's abandonments and emphasize the importance of proper pet nutrition. Tiny and Tina's Valentine's Day Skype date was covered by media outlets across the country.

Tina went from under four pounds when she was found in the vacant apartment to more than seven pounds at her last weigh-in when she was placed for adoption nearly three months later. Valentina found her forever home a few weeks later and is now with a caring owner who provides her with all of the extra love she deserves.



# Kaden

Kaden's tale began with immeasurable abuse and tragedy. His story touched all of us here at EHS, and so it was with great relief and an overwhelming sense of redemption that we witnessed him triumphantly overcome incredible odds on his road to recovery.

When he came to us, Kaden was a puppy of four months and had been terribly abused. His hips had been crushed and many of his teeth were missing or loose due to beatings at the hands of his previous owner, who had also shot Kaden repeatedly with a BB gun. On top of all of this unimaginable abuse, he had been starved and was severely dehydrated. Kaden was a broken creature.

After arriving at EHS, we questioned whether or not Kaden would even make it through his first night, based on the severity of his condition. But our medical staff never lost hope and their determined efforts to save Kaden were successful. Day by day, Kaden's health improved, as he responded remarkably well to treatments he received.

People from outside the EHS also wanted to help. Orthopedic surgeon Dr. Audrey Remedios travelled from Calgary, at no charge, and voluntarily performed Kaden's hip surgery. Kaden was also treated voluntarily by the Terwilligar Veterinary Clinic's Dr. Jodi Bennet, who provided Kaden with crucial physiotherapy sessions. These treatments, along with the extensive dental surgery performed by our medical team, and the therapeutic Tellington TTouch administered by trained EHS staff members, were crucial to Kaden's recovery. Kaden's response to the people who helped him was one of unwavering trust – a remarkable thing considering that the trust he once had in his previous owner had been so violently breached.

As for Kaden's previous owner, Edmonton police charged 20-year-old Christopher Barwell under the criminal code and he is scheduled to face a judge in 2013. He has entered a guilty plea and is still awaiting sentencing.

Kaden's story has a remarkable ending. He was placed in a loving foster home and he is often spotted running and playing, free of pain and enjoying every minute of the new life he deserved all along. To meet him and witness such a warm and loving personality, one would never guess that Kaden had endured such abuse so early on in his life. He is an incredible dog, one who overcame impossible odds and somehow kept intact his capacity to love unconditionally. And for that, his story inspires us all.





## DID YOU KNOW?

In 2012, CEC staff members assisted a total of 685 callers through our Behavior Hotline.

## CANINE ENRICHMENT CENTRE

Our Canine Enrichment Centre (CEC) continued building its reputation for excellence this year with the creation of several new (and popular) group training classes, such as the Art of Recall and Loose Leash Walking, Small Dog-Big Manners, and Play and Social Therapy for large dogs and small dogs.

And as we developed new classes, familiar favourites, such as Puppy Basics and Feisty Fido, expanded to accommodate growing interest. We even began teaching classes off-site, at locations in St. Albert and Morinville, which helped grow our presence and spread our humane messaging throughout the Edmonton region.

The Katrina & Friends Dog Day Care increased attendance slightly with an average of 132 dogs attending monthly. There continues to be a waiting list to enroll at Katrina & Friends as new dogs are assessed carefully to ensure that all dogs have a relaxed and enjoyable day.

The CEC Training Academy developed and launched a clinic and seminar series covering a wide variety of topics, from Cat Aggression to Getting Your Dog Ready for Baby. The clinics and seminars were well attended and provided pet owners with important information to enhance the lives of their companion animals. The CEC's Behavior Hotline also remained a valuable service for people seeking advice on a variety of pet behavior concerns.

The EHS was pleased to hear that Edmonton's City Council was considering removing the breed specific restrictions from the animal control bylaws in 2012. The CEC's Program Manager, Bilinda Wagner, was honoured to present some of her extensive knowledge of Pitbulls and bully breed dogs to City Council in October, and we were thrilled when Council voted to change the bylaws and remove any references to restricted breeds.

CEC Services by the numbers	2012	2011
Private canine training sessions	174	59
Training class sign-ups	1,200	577
New classes created	10	0
Dog Behavior & Training Methodology Certificate registrants	15	14
Behavior hotline calls	685	583
Clinics & seminars	23	0



## DID YOU KNOW?

The PALS Program is supported in part by, the City of Edmonton, Petsmart Charities of Canada, and EIDAP.



## PALS (PREVENT ANOTHER LITTER SUBSIDY)

Following a successful pilot in 2010, the Prevent Another Litter Subsidy (PALS) Program was redeveloped and fully launched in 2012. The program aims to combat the problem of pet overpopulation in our community. The PALS program gave low income families and individuals the opportunity to have their cats or dogs spayed or neutered for a nominal administration fee.

Pets were brought to our shelter for spay/neuter surgeries during designated clinic dates. The first PALS clinic was held on June 17th and by the end of 2012, a total of 23 clinics had been held. At these clinics, 380 cats and dogs were spayed/neutered, vaccinated, and micro-chipped.

The PALS program will continue into 2013. Plans for the future include the start of outreach programs in the community that educated about responsible pet ownership and work to continue reducing the pet population.



## HUMANE EDUCATION

In 2012, our Humane Education Department developed a one-of-a-kind Puppy Pen Pals Literacy Program. This program provides school students with a physical and emotional connection to shelter animals by writing letters to and receiving responses from staff members who write on behalf of the children's companion animals. Over the next several months, children correspond with their chosen animal, and they eventually visit our shelter, to meet their pen pal - an animal member of our humane education team. More than 300 students took part in Puppy Pen Pals this year. Additionally, our educators have had requests from Grande Prairie, Calgary and even as far away as Nepal, from shelters looking to implement a similar program in their areas.



Humane Education by the numbers	2012	2011
People reached	11,530	10,663



## DID YOU KNOW?

The Humane Education Department hosted 182 birthday parties, bringing 2,184 children and 546 adults into the shelter.

## COMMUNICATIONS

One of our Communications Department's major accomplishments this year was the completion of an award-winning vehicle sticker awareness campaign, which launched in May. The department teamed up with Edmonton's Waterloo Ford Lincoln, which sponsored stickers, for placement on car windows, warning about the dangers of leaving pets alone in vehicles at any time of the year.

The campaign drew extensive media coverage, which helped spread the message to the public, to countless veterinarian clinics, and to other animal-related businesses. In total, over 50,000 stickers were distributed.

In November the 2012, the sticker campaign won the Summit for Urban Animal Strategies' Canadian Community Compliance Award, a national accolade that recognizes organizations for their efforts to increase the overall level of compliance in a community.

Speaking of community, our engagement through social media continued to expand this year, with significant gains in the number of our Facebook and Twitter followers. Hits on our YouTube videos also climbed steadily, thanks to the production of 74 new videos, which included our Week in Review show and our half-hour monthly news magazine show, the EHS Pawdcast. Both featured behind-the-scenes events from around our shelter and received excellent responses from our online audiences.



## DID YOU KNOW?

We had 32,284 Facebook likes at the end of 2012.



# healing hearts and helping minds

## BEHAVIOR

**B**uilding upon the work accomplished in past years, further development of enrichment programs for shelter dogs and cats continued in 2012. Our expert behavior team improved feline enrichment by providing scratch carpets in kennels, treat-based activities for psychological enrichment, and exercise programs to keep cats physically active. These enrichment programs are vital for cats, many of whom spend longer periods of time in our shelter before they are adopted into their forever homes.

Canine enrichment in our shelter got a boost following a September visit from world-renowned dog behavior expert Aimee Sadler, who offered advice for improving our shelter dog play group program. This program remains a pivotal part of teaching dogs how to play properly while providing them with crucial socialization before adoption.

Our Behavior Department also implemented a new behavior modification program for dogs who demonstrate behaviors like mild resource guarding and aggression triggered by fear. Follow-up consultations with adopters showed that most dogs who went through this program have been very successful in their new homes.



### DID YOU KNOW?

The behavior department evaluated approximately 4,243 dogs in 2012.





# healing hearts and helping minds



## ANIMAL HEALTH

The EHS' medical team continued to provide optimum veterinary services for the large number of animals admitted to our shelter in 2012. Our medical team performed an increased number of specialized surgeries and treatments on homeless animals with a wide variety of injuries and ailments such as fractured limbs, ulcerated eyes, and problems with their digestive systems, just to name a few. Continued vigilance and adherence to best practices in disease management were also a vital part of the year's success.

The EHS' Sick and Injured Animal Fund was accessed to cover the costs of several specialized medical procedures in 2012, as well as to purchase medication, lab disease test kits, and other surgical equipment. This fund continues to grow, thanks to the generous support of our donors.

The wide variety of surgeries performed in our shelter have provided excellent mentorship opportunities for internationally trained veterinarians who seek to build their skills prior to becoming licensed Alberta practitioners. Under the supervision of our shelter veterinarians, these veterinary professionals generously volunteer their time to help the shelter animals. In turn, the skills training made possible by our mentorship program helps internationally trained veterinarians secure meaningful employment in our province - a truly win-win situation. We are pleased to be giving back to our community in this way.

## DID YOU KNOW?



Our Sick and Injured Animal Fund received a big boost in 2012, thanks to our Pennies for Pets campaign, which raised approximately \$25,000 for the care of sick and injured animals here at our shelter.





## VOLUNTEER

Without question, a cornerstone of our organization is our amazing volunteer base, which is made up of more than a thousand people who generously contribute their time to our shelter in a variety of ways, whether it be dog walking, cat and critter cuddling, or assisting with special events and administrative duties. These volunteers play a crucial role in our organization's ability to make our animals' temporary stay here as comfortable as possible.

Included in our volunteer base are our volunteer foster parents, who open up their homes and their hearts for more than 1,300 animals, giving them crucial socialization, away from the inherent stresses of shelter life, prior to being placed up for adoption.



Volunteers by the numbers	2012	2011
Volunteers	1,544	1,073
Foster Families	170	192
Total Volunteer Hours	35,781	27,620



## DID YOU KNOW?

A new Volunteer Advisory Board was established in 2012, to promote a positive relationship between staff and volunteers, and to enhance our already excellent animal care. The volunteer members of the advisory board provide a bilateral channel of communication between the volunteers and EHS staff members.

## BOARD MEMBERS 2012

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# support from our constant companions



We are profoundly grateful for the continued support from our community. The generosity of individuals, families, small businesses and corporations contributed over 3.2 million dollars, nearly 48% of our annual operating revenue in 2012.

The much-anticipated EHS Friends for Life Calendar reached a milestone this year, with the release of the 20th edition. The beautiful 15-month calendar hit mailboxes in the fall and continued its tradition of being a major source of revenue for the shelter.

And speaking of tradition, about 10,000 people and their pets took in our signature event, Pets in the Park – Edmonton's official pet festival, which also celebrated its 20th year. We all had so much fun and successfully raised over \$137,000 for the care of our shelter animals. We are incredibly grateful to our hard-working participants, as well as our supporters, sponsors, exhibitors, vendors, volunteers and demonstrators who also took part in the event.

We were thrilled to partner with Coventry Homes again to present the 5th annual Paws and Claws Gala in October. It sold out very quickly and raised well over \$80,000!

The Friends for Life cash lottery was expanded this year. We held our popular spring lottery again with great success but added a fall lottery for our supporters as well. The addition was very well-received and we were overjoyed when it completely sold out!

We launched a special Pennies for Pets campaign at the close of 2012, following the Federal Government's announcement of plans to phase out the penny from circulation at the beginning of 2013. People were encouraged to bring their pennies in as a donation to our Sick and Injured Animal Fund. We were simply amazed when generous donors brought us approximately 2.5 million pennies, or about \$25,000.

The EHS was also incredibly honoured to receive over \$300,000 from generous individuals who made a bequest in their will. This last act of kindness and generosity leaves a legacy of many lives saved and the EHS is tremendously grateful.

The Fund Development Department continued to work with our donors to find meaningful ways for them to contribute and we are so grateful for our many supporters who give in so many ways, whether they donate an item from our Wish List or make a bequest in their will or give monthly to our PAWS Program.

From the bottom of our hearts, we thank everyone who supports our shelter. Your help saves animals' lives.



# supporters

The following list includes all gifts or in-kind donations of \$500 or more made during 2012. The Edmonton Humane Society has made every effort to ensure that all of our valued contributors have been properly recognized and sincerely apologizes for any errors or omissions. We gratefully acknowledge and value all of the support that we receive each year. Every contribution makes an incredible difference in the lives of our animals.



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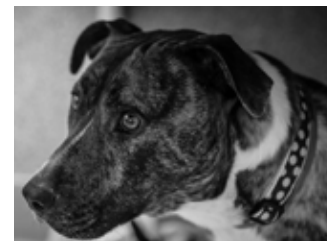


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## Auditors' Report

May 16, 2013  
Edmonton, Alberta

To the Directors of Edmonton Humane Society for the Prevention of Cruelty to Animals

The accompanying summary financial statements, which comprise the summary statement of financial position as at December 31, 2012, and the summary results from operations for the year then ended, are derived from the audited financial statements of the Edmonton Humane Society for the Prevention of Cruelty to Animals for the year ended December 31, 2012. We expressed a qualified audit opinion on those financial statements in our report dated May 16, 2013.

The summary financial statements do not contain all the disclosures required by Canadian generally accepted accounting principles. Reading the summary financial statements, therefore, is not a substitute for reading the audited financial statements of Edmonton Humane Society for the Prevention of Cruelty to Animals.

### Management's Responsibility for the Summary Financial Statements

Management is responsible for the preparation of a summary of the audited financial statements on the basis described in Note 1.

### Auditor's Responsibility

Our responsibility is to express an opinion on the summary financial statements based on our procedures, which were conducted in accordance with Canadian Auditing Standard (CAS) 810, "Engagements to Report on Summary Financial Statements."

### Opinion

In our opinion, the summary financial statements derived from the audited financial statements of Edmonton Humane Society for the Prevention of Cruelty to Animals for the year ended December 31, 2012 are a fair summary of those financial statements, on the basis described in Note 1. However, the summary financial statements are subject to conditions equivalent to those of the audited financial statements of the Edmonton Humane Society for the Prevention of Cruelty to Animals for the year ended December 31, 2012, upon which we issued a qualified audit opinion.

Our qualified audit opinion, as described in our report dated May 16, 2013, is based on the fact that the Society derives some of its revenue from donations. In common with many charitable organizations, the completeness of which is not susceptible to satisfactory audit verification. Accordingly, our verification of these revenues was limited to the amount recorded in the records of the Society and we were not able to determine whether any adjustments might be necessary to contributions, deficiency of revenue over expenses, current assets and net assets.

**Kingston Ross Pasmak LLP**  
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## Summarized Financial Statements

### EDMONTON HUMANE SOCIETY FOR THE PREVENTION OF CRUELTY TO ANIMALS

Year ended December 31, 2012

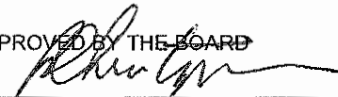
#### RESULTS FROM OPERATIONS

	2012	2011
<b>REVENUES</b>		
Shelter operations	\$ 3,366,136	\$ 3,113,900
Fundraising and sponsorships	2,941,697	2,328,758
Amortization of deferred capital contributions	311,251	323,533
Bequests	301,113	479,084
Investment income	77,322	46,748
	<b>6,997,519</b>	<b>6,292,023</b>
<b>EXPENSES</b>		
Shelter operations	3,805,670	3,604,871
Program and service delivery	921,931	913,370
Amortization of property and equipment	800,632	856,868
Fundraising and sponsorships	737,147	596,943
Finance and investment	402,178	340,923
	<b>6,667,558</b>	<b>6,312,975</b>
<b>EXCESS (DEFICIENCY) OF REVENUES OVER EXPENSES</b>	<b>\$ 329,961</b>	<b>\$ (20,952)</b>

#### FINANCIAL POSITION

<b>ASSETS</b>		
Cash and short term investments	\$ 3,959,347	\$ 3,267,152
Other current assets	290,156	172,148
	4,249,503	3,439,300
LONG-TERM INVESTMENTS	558,467	509,341
PROPERTY AND EQUIPMENT (net of accumulated amortization)	17,395,927	18,114,469
	<b>\$ 22,203,897</b>	<b>\$ 22,063,110</b>
<b>LIABILITIES</b>		
Accounts payable and accrued liabilities	\$ 447,905	\$ 487,289
Deferred contributions	669,981	552,595
	1,117,886	1,039,884
DEFERRED CAPITAL CONTRIBUTIONS	7,313,024	7,580,200
	8,430,910	8,620,084
<b>NET ASSETS</b>		
Invested in property and equipment	10,082,903	10,534,269
Internally restricted	2,514,176	2,514,176
Unrestricted	1,175,908	394,581
	13,772,987	13,443,026
	<b>\$ 22,203,897</b>	<b>\$ 22,063,110</b>

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#### Basis of Presentation (Note 1)

Management is responsible for the preparation of the summary financial statements. The summary financial statements are comprised of the summary statement of financial position and the summary results of operations, and do not include any other schedules, a summary of significant accounting policies or the notes to the financial statements. The summary statement of financial position and the summary results of operations are presented with the same amounts as the audited financial statements, but certain balances have been combined and all note referencing has been removed.

Dear EHS:

My wife and I are dog lovers, but until we moved to Edmonton 3 years ago we were not in a position to adopt. Within weeks of living here, we went to the EHS to find our perfect dog. At that time there were 3 or 4 small dogs at the shelter, and my wife was adamant that we could adopt any small dog except for a "little white dog". Browsing on the website we thought we had found the perfect dog, a little brown terrier. We went to the shelter and met the dog, but although he was very cute, and we liked him, we decided to visit all the small dogs in the shelter.

We went in to see Sophia (now Penny), a Bichon cross (note: a little white dog). As soon as we walked in she wagged her tail and starting kissing our faces when we bent down to pet her. It was love at first sight! We adopted her on the spot and brought her home that night (so much for no little white dogs).

Since that day almost three years ago, Penny has been our constant companion, she keeps us active and cuddles with us every night. We could not have asked for a more perfect dog, and we are eternally grateful for the great work being done at the EHS, and for bringing Penny into our lives.

Cory & Tese



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