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Celebrating the home our community helped bring to life

Five years ago, the Guelph Humane Society (GHS) opened our new home at 190 Hanlon Creek Boulevard, unleashing a long-held vision for animal welfare. Those doors opened far more than a building.

We needed the right space: a home designed around the needs of animals, where people could find support, and everyone would be united by compassion.

As we celebrate five years of hope unleashed, we reflect on what your support has made possible and what comes next for GHS.

Care Designed Around Every Animal

The impact of our new home is measured not by its size, but by the care it makes possible. From 2021 to now, GHS has cared for 19,111 animals, including 11,480 wild animals. In 2024 and 2025 alone, our teams provided 101,377 days of care, equivalent to more than 2.4 million hours.

Needs shifted quickly over five years: 68 rabbits were surrendered in 2021; 15 abandoned guinea pigs, several pregnant, became more than 30 in 2022; and 50 kittens arrived at once in 2023. GHS cared for 100 puppies and young dogs in 2024, an 82 per cent increase over 2023, followed by a five-year high of 2,146 sick, injured, or orphaned wild animals in 2025.

Our new home has enabled care for species rarely accommodated in traditional shelters. When we opened our doors, GHS became Ontario's only humane society with dedicated farm animal space inside its building. From 2022 through 2025, we cared for 138 farm animals, including chickens, ducks,

In photos:

On cover: Rosa (see story, page 11). This page: GHS, 190 Hanlon Creek, Guelph location (top left). Rainier, Denali & Kilimanjaro, adopted in 2022 (top right). Small Fry, adopted August 2025 (centre right). Benji, adopted December 2025 (bottom right).

sheep, a pig, a goat, and peacocks.

Today, individualized care plans, medical and behavioural rounds, daily enrichment, greater freedom of choice, and low-stress, trauma-informed practices support animal well-being. Together, space and expertise help GHS meet complex needs while treating every animal as an individual.

Hope When Families Need It Most

One of the most important shifts we have made reaches far beyond our walls. Through GHS Cares, we help prevent pets from becoming separated from their families when life takes an unexpected turn.

From 2022 through 2025, Emergency Boarding, Pets in Transition, and Senior Support provided 7,601 days of no-cost boarding to 435 pets. Guardians were facing hospitalization, fire, housing instability, intimate partner violence, or mental health and addictions treatment. The goal was always the same: keep the animal safe until they could be reunited with the person who loves them.

Support expanded in 2023 with the GHS Pet Food Bank. In 2024 and 2025, GHS distributed 41,705 pounds of pet food through partners across Guelph and Wellington County, reducing barriers and helping ensure financial hardship does not force someone to give up a beloved pet.

A Place Where Compassion Grows

190 Hanlon Creek Boulevard expanded not only how GHS cares for animals, but how we invite the community into that work.

Participation in GHS Kids programs grew from 239 children in 2022 to 1,160 children and youth in 2025. That year, GHS delivered more than 630 hours of programming across 173 sessions. Through camps, clubs, tours, and hands-on experiences, young people learn about animal behaviour, safe interaction, and responsible care.

In 2024, GHS extended this learning through the Youth Apprenticeship Program. Its first three sessions gave 31 students in grades 7 to 10 hands-on insight into animal care, shelter operations, and animal welfare careers.

Our new home has also enabled more people to contribute directly to our work. In 2023, GHS undertook its largest volunteer recruitment and on-boarding effort to date, welcoming 100 new volunteers to support animal care. By 2025, 441 volunteers were contributing across 19 roles, giving 9,335 hours to animal care, adoptions, wildlife transport, events, and other essential areas of our work.

Together, these opportunities extend GHS's impact far beyond the animals who



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-Lisa Veit, GHS Executive Director.



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In photos, from top: Grasshopper, GHS's first canine surgery patient; Dr. Alec Brown and Registered Veterinary Technician Paige Graham in surgery; Senior Manager, Animal Care, Samantha Westphal and Paige Graham preparing Grasshopper for surgery; and Dr. Brown examining Niinaabe, GHS's first reptile surgery patient.

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come through our doors. They help people understand animals better and take an active role in creating a community where all animals are valued and respected.

A Historic First in Veterinary Care

This spring, GHS made history with the help of a generous gift from Kim and Stu Lang through their Angel Gabriel Foundation. Their gift provides start-up funding for the first two years of our in-house veterinary program. For the first time in GHS's 133-year history, our facility is accredited by the College of Veterinarians of Ontario, allowing us to provide veterinary care and surgery for animals in our shelter.

A Veterinary Director has been hired to lead this new area of care. Veterinary and animal care teams can now coordinate treatment from assessment through recovery, reducing delays, travel, and stress while responding more quickly to individual needs.

As of September 2026, the team had completed 124 procedures: 73 spays,

45 neuters, and six other surgeries, including two foreign-body removals, two mass removals, and surgery to treat a serious prolapse in a lizard. Among the first patients was Rosa, whose story has touched people across our community (read more on page 11). Her surgery to remove multiple masses showed those who had come to care about her what their support made possible.

This historic first strengthens the care available to animals today and creates a foundation for improving access to veterinary care in the future.

Looking Ahead

Five years ago, our community unleashed a vision for the future of animal welfare. Today, that foundation allows us to look ahead to what is possible next.

As needs continue to evolve across Guelph and Wellington County, GHS is built to adapt, innovate, and grow. From expanding access to veterinary care to strengthening community partnerships, this home is just the beginning. The work does not stop here; it propels us forward into the future we are building together.

"I am proud of how far we have come, and deeply grateful to the community that brought this home to life," says Lisa Veit, GHS Executive Director. "This home honours the generations of animals and people who shaped GHS, while positioning us to help lead the future of animal welfare. It gives us the capacity to respond to changing needs, turn new ideas into action, and ensure every animal in our care receives the second chance they deserve."♥

INSPIRING THE NEXT GENERATION OF ANIMAL CAREGIVERS

YAP participant Mika shares how hands-on learning helped her understand animals, build confidence and discover new ways to make a difference.

Young people who care deeply about animals often want to help but may not know where to begin. At the Guelph Humane Society, the Youth Apprenticeship Program (YAP) gives them a place to start.

Designed for students in grades 7 to 10, YAP combines hands-on learning and animal experiences with an in-depth look at the work of a humane society. Over 10 weeks, participants explore animal care and behaviour, pet first aid, wildlife, animal services, fundraising, and other areas of animal welfare. Along the way, they practice teamwork, develop leadership skills, and build confidence.

More than 50 young people have now participated in YAP since its launch two years ago. One of them is Mika, who joined the program with a lifelong love of animals and a desire to understand them better.

"I loved animals as a kid," Mika shares. "They also live on this planet, so we've got to respect them."

For Mika, one of the program's most lasting lessons was learning to recognize what animals communicate through their behaviour.

"It made me see them a lot differently because, in the Youth Apprenticeship Program, we learned about different

behaviours," she says.

"Now, when I look at an animal, it's like, 'Oh, that dog is stressed,' or 'That dog is really happy.'"

That change, from simply loving animals to understanding how to respond to their needs, is at the heart of YAP. Participants learn that good animal care begins with observation, respect, and an understanding that every species experiences the world differently, including wildlife.

"We might look at a wild animal and think, 'Well, it's just an

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animal,' but they do so much for our planet," says Mika. "Without them, we probably wouldn't even have this planet."

YAP is also about learning alongside others. Mika says meeting new people, making friends, and learning how to help animals were among the most memorable parts of her experience.

"The Youth Apprenticeship Program provides many different ways for youth to get involved and learn more about animal welfare, including the farm animals and wildlife we



In photo: Mika with Yamaha, who was adopted in July 2026.

care for," says Arayelle Young, GHS Education & Community Outreach Coordinator. "The program helps establish the building blocks for the next generation of knowledgeable pet owners, animal caregivers, and animal welfare professionals."

For Mika, the supportive environment made it easier to participate, ask questions, and try something new.

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comfort zone because the humane society makes you feel really comfortable here," she says. "They support you throughout the whole program."

Asked to describe YAP in three words, Mika chose "fun, supportive, and caring."

YAP sessions are offered in the fall, winter, and spring. Learn more at guelphhumane.ca. For another young person considering the program, Mika has some straightforward advice: "I'd say give it a shot. It's a lot of fun." ♥



Supporters like Bruce provide dependable support for shelter, nutrition, and medical care throughout the year.

Visit our website or contact our team at give@guelphhumane.ca to get started.

In photo: Bruce and Kimmy, August 2026.

One Adoption, a Lasting Commitment

Bruce French shares how adopting a beloved cat inspired 17 years of giving to animals in his community.

Sometimes the decision to give begins with one animal.

In 2009, Bruce French and his late wife, Rosemary Collins, came to the Guelph Humane Society (GHS) looking for a feline companion. They had recently lost Rosemary's beloved Russian Blue, Larakin, and hoped to find a friend for their cat Pamina.

At GHS, they met Amalthea, affectionately known as Thee-Thee, and welcomed her into their family. The adoption marked the beginning of Bruce's long relationship with GHS.

"If I hadn't before, I saw the importance of GHS and began making regular donations," says Bruce.

Seventeen years later, Bruce remains a dedicated GHS donor. While his giving began with an adoption, it has continued because of his confidence in the

work GHS does today and his belief in what the organization can accomplish in the future.

"It's absolutely wonderful what you all have done, what you're doing and what I know you will do in the future," he says. "I just felt that I should support that."

Supporting an organization in his own community is also important to Bruce.

"I'd like to keep the money a little more local," he says. "But it's definitely the work that you people do. You care for them so much."

Animals have been part of Bruce's life for as long as he can remember. He grew up in a rural community, had a horse when he was young and has shared his home with many cats. His concern extends beyond the animals who have been part of his family to farm animals and wildlife.

"Animals have always meant a huge amount to me," says Bruce. "The farm animals, the domestic animals, the wild animals."

Over the years, Bruce and Rosemary found several ways to support GHS. Together, they sponsored a kennel at the former shelter on Wellington Street. Today, Bruce gives regularly and has included GHS in his will, ensuring that his compassion for animals will continue to make a difference in the future.

When asked what GHS means to him today, Bruce describes that commitment in deeply personal terms.

"It means the world to me because of its protection and care of the 'little people' who can't really protect and care for themselves," he says. "It means everything to me. It really does."♥

Learn more about how you can support GHS at guelphhumane.ca/donate.



In photo: A nestling mourning dove being stabilized at GHS before being sent to a licensed wildlife rehabilitation centre.

A Day in the Life of a GHS Wildlife Care Attendant

A behind-the-scenes look at wildlife care at the Guelph Humane Society

Last year, GHS cared for 2,146 wild animals representing more than 60 species. Spring and summer are busiest, bringing approximately 500 calls each month from residents concerned about wildlife in our community.

During peak months, two dedicated Wildlife Care Attendants assess and stabilize sick, injured, or orphaned wildlife, work with the broader team to attempt reunions or releases and arrange transfers to licensed rehabilitators. Their work combines animal care, logistics, public education, and difficult welfare decisions.

Come behind the scenes with GHS Wildlife Care Attendant Moira Parker and discover why no two days look the same.

7:45 am Caffeinate. Before heading to GHS, I grab a coffee and prepare for an unpredictable day.

8:00 am Arrival & Safety. I arrive, clock in and change into my work clothes. Wildlife can carry a variety of diseases and parasites, and I handle more than enough icky things throughout the day, so I prefer to leave work at work. I then check messages about wildlife intakes and updates from overnight. Wildlife emergencies do not follow regular business hours, and our Animal Services Officers (ASOs) provide care after hours, so there is often important information waiting. Those first updates give me a sense of the morning ahead and which animals may need my attention first. Before entering the wildlife room, I check in with the shelter team to make sure everything is running smoothly.

8:05 am Wellness Checks. The day begins with wellness checks for every animal in our care. The wild animals who come into our care are sick, injured, or orphaned. Despite everything we do to help them, not every animal survives.

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can involve calling facilities across the province in search of an opening.

Under Ministry regulations, wildlife can only remain in our care for 24 hours before requiring transfer, so transportation logistics is an essential part of the job.

10:00 am **Containment & Paperwork.**

Animals are prepared for transport in species-appropriate containment. This ranges from cardboard boxes for songbirds to escape-proof enclosures for bats. Paperwork is equally important, providing rehabilitators with detailed intake circumstances, treatments, and observations.

8:10 am **Species-Specific Care.**

Treatments begin: fluids, pain medication, or wound care. I also coordinate releases and reunites through our Animal Services team. Reuniting young wildlife with their mothers or returning animals safely to the wild is always our first goal. Every species is different. A cottontail's needs differ completely from those of a squirrel, turtle, bat, or songbird. We must be "on," constantly learning and adapting.

9:00 am **Coordination & Transport.**

I contact licensed wildlife rehabilitators across Ontario to determine who has space available and what species they can accept. Sometimes it's as simple as a quick text message; other times it's a series of phone calls and voicemails.

Not every rehabilitation facility can accept every species, and availability can change daily. We coordinate with multiple rehabilitators to ensure each animal has the best possible chance of receiving care. Occasionally, we encounter species that are difficult to place, and those days

11:00 am **Biosecurity.**

If the morning's wildlife has successfully left for rehabilitation, it's time to clean. Wildlife care involves strict biosecurity measures, and maintaining a clean environment is essential for both human and animal health. Enclosures, equipment, surfaces, and supplies are cleaned and disinfected to reduce disease risks.

11:30 am **Public Outreach.**

The phone calls and emails begin. We receive a steady stream of questions from the



public, finders, rehabilitators, and community partners. Some people are looking for updates on animals they brought in, while others need advice about wildlife they have encountered. Education is a significant part of the role, and many situations can be resolved by helping people understand normal wildlife behaviour.

12:00 pm **Monitoring Outcomes.**

Whenever animals are sent to be reunited with their families, we monitor outcomes. Our ASOs assist with many of these follow-ups, but members of the public are also invaluable partners who willingly monitor animals and provide updates.

1:00 pm **Priority Shifts.**

No two days look the same. New wildlife can arrive at any moment, which means priorities shift. Hopefully, I can fit in time for lunch. During quieter periods, I assist the animal care team with general shelter operations.

2:00 pm **Afternoon Intakes.**

If additional wildlife arrives in the afternoon, the process

starts over again: assessments, care and fluids, placement coordination and transport. Each stage is essential. Availability changes quickly, so both Wildlife Care Attendants communicate closely to ensure continuity of care and share important wildlife updates.



3:00 pm Final Push & Compassionate Decisions.

Late afternoon is our final push to transport wildlife before rehabilitation centres close for the day. One of the hardest parts of the job is making decisions about animals that cannot be rehabilitated. When injuries or disease would result in prolonged suffering, euthanasia can be the most compassionate option. Some days, it feels like I am carrying an animal's entire future through every phone call and voicemail, but preventing suffering and prioritizing welfare guide every decision.

5:00 pm End-of-Day Stabilization. Any wildlife remaining is assessed, hydrated, medicated, and prepared for the night ahead. I leave detailed notes about every patient for overnight ASO and the morning care attendant.

Reflections on the Work:

Wildlife care is dynamic, unpredictable, and demanding. It requires medical knowledge, logistics, problem-solving, adaptability, and a great deal of compassion.

People ask how I cope with the emotional side of the work. The truth is that there are difficult days. We lose patients, and we sometimes have to make heartbreaking choices in the interest of animal welfare. What keeps me grounded is the impact of the work and the people around me. I have an incredible support system, including family, friends, coworkers, and the entire GHS team.

Despite the difficult moments, this work is incredibly fulfilling. Every day, I see volunteers, rehabilitators, community members, and colleagues come together to give wildlife the best possible chance. Not every story ends with a release, but every animal receives compassion, dignity, and an outcome guided by welfare. Knowing we have done everything possible is what keeps me coming back each morning, when it all starts again.

Wildlife care at GHS is made possible through the generous support of the Eric S. Margolis Foundation.

Reunites & releases

Returning wildlife to the wild

When wildlife arrive at GHS, our first goal is to determine whether they can safely return to the wild. If they can, that is always the best place for them. Wildlife Care Attendant Kelly shares some of her top returns to the wild from this season.

Baby rabbit in a pool

A young eastern cottontail arrived cold, wet, and stressed after falling into a pool. Once warm and dry, it quickly became active and was safely returned to the wild.

What to know: Check pools regularly and provide an escape ramp so wildlife can climb out.

Sleepy snapping turtle

An adult snapping turtle was brought to GHS after remaining in one place for several hours on a chilly April day. An examination found that she was healthy but moving slowly because of the cold, and she was returned to her pond.

What to know: Cold temperatures can significantly slow turtles. When there is no immediate danger, contact a wildlife professional before moving one.

A squirrel-proof feeder?

A grey squirrel squeezed into a caged bird feeder, ate the seeds and became trapped. Fortunately, it was not injured and was carefully freed.

What to know: Check feeders for openings or pinch points that could trap wildlife.

If you find a sick, injured, or orphaned wildlife, call your humane society before intervening. We're here to help.

In photos, left page: Wildlife Care Attendant Moira Parker performs an intake exam on a nestling mourning dove (top left); a juvenile eastern cottontail after receiving stabilizing care (bottom centre); Moira updates the wildlife status board (top right). Right page: An orphaned porcupine is assessed at GHS (top).



In photo: Linda and Nigel, adopted August 2026.

At GHS, one connection with an animal can grow into something much bigger. For Linda Caston, that connection began in the 1980s, when she adopted a dog named Smudge from the shelter.

Through Smudge's adoption, Linda came to know the people behind GHS and found a community that shared her love of animals. A conversation with the shelter manager led to an invitation to help with fundraising. From there, Linda continued to find new ways to make a difference.

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"It's a deep feeling and a deep connection and a deep affinity for critters other than humans," she says. "We share this earth, and I feel an obligation to make it better."

For Linda, fostering became one of the most meaningful ways to put that belief into action. Over the years, she has

opened her home to cats and kittens with many different personalities, histories, and needs. Some adjusted quickly. Others needed time and patience before they could begin to feel safe.

Meg was one of those animals. She arrived in Linda's home terrified and completely shut down. For months, she hid and barely moved. Linda could not rush her recovery. She could only offer Meg a safe place, the time she needed, and the opportunity to trust again.

Slowly, Meg began to emerge. Eventually, she was ready to be adopted.

"I've been so fortunate to see a terrified animal turn around," says Linda. "When she finally turned around and got adopted, that was pretty rewarding."

Fostering has also brought painful losses. Linda understands that opening your home and heart to vulnerable animals does not guarantee an easy outcome. It means being there to provide care and compassion, whatever happens next.

Linda's contributions to GHS have extended well beyond fostering. She has helped with fundraising, served on committees, and spent more than a decade on our Board of Directors. During her Board service, she worked alongside others to strengthen GHS's governance and help build a strong foundation for the organization's future.

"I'm very proud of the work that we did there," she says. "There were things I felt committed to that I didn't want

Animals Enrich Our Lives

For Linda Caston, compassion means acting on what you believe.

to let go until we reached those goals. And we did."

Although Linda completed her Board service in 2019, her connection to GHS has never ended. She remains proud of the organization's growth, the opening of our new home, and the trust GHS has earned within the community.

Her compassion has always extended to both animals and the people who love them. Long before today's GHS Cares programs took shape, Linda was asking how GHS could help people remain with their animals through illness, financial hardship, and other difficult circumstances.

She has since fostered pets through GHS Cares, providing a temporary home where they can remain safe and cared for until they can be reunited with their families.

"The human-animal bond is super important to me," she says. "We are there to help you keep your animal. We're a helping hand."

Today, Linda continues to foster and support GHS through her donations. Each contribution is another expression of the values that first brought her through our doors and have kept her connected ever since.

"GHS is my charity of choice," she says. "Animals enrich our lives and we enrich their lives. If that's how I feel, that's what I need to commit to." ♥

More than a place to wait

Rosa's recovery shows what can happen during an animal's journey from homeless to home

Most animals who arrive at the Guelph Humane Society (GHS) spend only a small part of their lives in our care. For Rosa, that time was the beginning of her recovery.

When Rosa arrived at GHS, her nails were badly overgrown into her paw pads, her coat was patchy and her skin was sore. She also had multiple growths requiring medical attention, including a large mass hanging from her mouth.

We may never know everything Rosa experienced or why she arrived in such a neglected state. But staff and volunteers quickly came to know Rosa herself: trusting, affectionate, and always ready to greet someone with a wiggle.

Dr. Alec Brown, GHS's Veterinary Director, assessed Rosa and developed a treatment plan with the animal care team. A much-needed nail trim eased the pressure on her feet, while medication, specialized nutrition, and medicated baths soothed her skin and helped manage her allergies.

As Rosa began to feel better, she greeted staff each morning with more energy and enthusiasm. The pain that had shaped her days was no longer the first thing people noticed about her.

This year marked a historic change at GHS. For the first time in its 133-year history, animals in the shelter can receive veterinary assessment, treatment, and surgery right here at GHS.

Once Rosa was strong enough to be safely sedated, the veterinary team removed her masses. It was the first surgery of its kind performed in GHS's new veterinary suite.

Samantha Westphal, Senior Manager, Animal Care, has spent 10 years at GHS. She led the work to secure accreditation for the new veterinary suite alongside Dr. Brown.

"Being able to provide this care right here at GHS changes what is possible for animals like Rosa," said Westphal. "Our veterinary and animal care teams can work together through every stage, from the first assessment to surgery and recovery. We worked hard to build this capacity, and seeing Rosa comfortable in her new home is exactly why it matters."

Donations helped provide Rosa's medication, specialized food, surgery, and daily care throughout her recovery.

Today, Rosa is no longer living in pain. She has been adopted and is spending her senior years comfortably in her new home.

"Rosa came to GHS needing relief from pain. She left comfortable and ready to enjoy her senior years in a new home," said Westphal. "That is why the time animals spend with us matters so much. GHS is one stop on their journey from homeless to home, but it is an important one. The care animals receive here truly changes the course of their lives." ♥



Help make care like Rosa's possible. Donate at guelphhumane.ca/donate.

Join us this season

Register, purchase tickets, and find event details at guelphhumane.ca.

October 17, 2026

YAP Pet Food Drive

Drop off pet food for the GHS Pet Food Bank from 10 a.m. to 2 p.m. to help animals in need in our community! Hosted by GHS youth volunteers through the Youth Apprenticeship Program.

November 7, 2026

Happy Tails Gala Casino Royale: License to Give

Your mission begins at Guelph's biggest party for animals! Prepare to enter a world of luxury, intrigue, and high-stakes excitement, proudly presented by GoWylde Real Estate. Tickets are available now at happytailsgala.ca.

November 14 & 15, 2026

Merry Tails Holiday Pet Pics

Join us for the jolliest pet pics of the season! We have appointments available from 10 a.m. to 4 p.m. Book your session today at guelphhumane.ca.

November 21, 2026

Paint Your Pet Paint Night

Join us from 6 to 8 p.m. for an exciting and adorable paint night in partnership with Dragonfly Art Studio. This creative event is available for participants ages 16+ at GHS. Tickets are \$45, available at guelphhumane.ca.

December 5, 2026

GHS Holiday Open House

Come and celebrate the season with GHS! From 11 a.m. to 2 p.m., enjoy holiday treats, meet our team, and enjoy a behind-the-scenes tour of our shelter. Meet some amazing animals and shop our Happy Tails Boutique for the perfect holiday gift.

**December 21, 22, 28, 29,
30 & 31, 2026**

Winter Holiday Camp

Join us over the winter break for fun-filled, animal-themed programming for children in grades 1 to 6.



In photo: Ellie, adopted, May 2022.

Ellie's Happy Tail

"I adopted Ellie (previously known as April while in the shelter) in May 2022! She was the 1-year-old mama of 2 litters of kittens. I got Ellie when I was at the end of my first year of undergrad at McMaster University. She has

been with me through my entire degree and is now alongside me as I have started my career!

Ellie is the most curious and playful girl. She's friendly with everyone and loves to put herself right in the middle of everything when there are people around so she can try to maximize pets to the fullest. She is loved by so many people, especially her "Cat-ma" (my mom) who loves to have her come for visits and always spoils her with presents.

There's not a day that goes by when I am not blown away by all the love she brings me. She always wants to be touched, loves to snuggle in the morning and before bed, knows how to give a high five, sit and sit pretty, and never lets me go to the bathroom alone. She has the biggest personality and is so chatty.

Her favourite toys are Gatorade bottle caps, her tunnel, and ribbon toys. One of her favourite activities is going into the backyard on her leash or sitting in her catio during the summer months.

The absolute best part of my day is coming home and having her greet me at the door. She is my best friend and I'm so thankful to have her at my side as we experience life together."♥



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