



## About Us

The Brandon Humane Society (BHS) is a non-profit organization that has been in operation since 1946. Founded by Eleanor Kidd and originally housed in her 13th street residential garage, BHS has grown continuously over the years.

With its long-term location at 2200 17th street in Brandon, Manitoba, Brandon Humane Society provides residency to both cats and dogs. Foster care is also provided through a number of volunteers throughout the community.

With a "No Kill" policy, BHS provides a positive environment for volunteers and allows people to maintain contact even after adoption.

### Facts about Pet Facilitated

#### Therapy

- Talking to and stroking a pet promotes relaxation and lowers blood pressure.
- Since speech isn't necessary to interact with animals, PFT may be beneficial to residents who are aphasic or uncommunicative.
- Responsibility for taking care of an animal may prompt some owners to take better care of themselves.
- Pets may often be a catalyst for elderly individuals to improve their diets or self esteem because they feel the animals need them.
- Pets can also provide exercise for their caretakers and a sense of purpose.

For More Information on this program

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# Everyone Needs A Friend

*Bringing Seniors, youth and Pets  
together to improve  
quality of life*

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HUMANE SOCIETY  
*Serving Western Manitoba since 1946*



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veryone Needs a Friend is a program initiated by Brandon Humane Society (BHS) to give back to the local community.

Bringing seniors, youth and pets together to help personal care residents enjoy life and to make new furry friends.

BHS believes that combining special pets with human beings is a natural fit for providing quality of life back to the community. This is supported by research that has shown animals, pets and children provide instant gratification and/or relief to people who suffer terminal illnesses, those living without families, dementia patients, depression patients, et cetera.

The overall goal of this program is to provide Pet Therapy/Pet Wellness and to promote good health within these long-term residencies.

Brandon Humane Society believes that our "furry friends" can improve the lives of seniors, people with disabilities, individuals suffering from dementia, the terminally ill and all long term patients that may not have any family near-by to visit them often.

Through this program we believe that the lives of people can be improved dramatically. The level of love that these pets can provide to humans is Immeasurable.



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*A Community Involvement program by  
Brandon Humane Society*



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hrough this 1 year pilot program starting September 1st, 2006, BHS is anticipating that over 350+ residents living in personal care homes throughout Brandon will benefit from their participation in this program.

Utilizing our Board of Directors, youth & volunteers to help deliver the program to the community, visits to the personal care homes will take place various times throughout the week and weekends when possible.

Everyone Needs a Friend is our way of giving back to the community and improving peoples lives through the love of pets and animals.

