

## **Peterborough Humane Society New Building Fact Sheet**

Peterborough Humane Society has operated at 385 Lansdowne St. E since 1955 and has purchased a 20 acre site located at 1999 Technology Dr.

The new building will be a Canadian First: Three vital animal welfare programs under one new roof.

- o Peterborough Humane Society Shelter, Adoption and Education Centre
- A clinic to provide high-volume regional spay and neuter services
- The first-ever Ontario SPCA Dog Rehabilitation Centre

The project is shovel ready and fundraising is ongoing for the \$9.5 million goal.

## The Building

- Healthier environment for the animals Lett Architects studied all recent animal care
  centers in Canada to learn about best practices before designing the building. From that
  study Lett Architects have built a robust infection control system in the building because air
  borne illnesses are the main problems in all shelters. A state of the art HVAC system is at the
  centre of the plan and this will be the only shelter in Canada to meet the best practice in air
  circulation for animal shelters.
- Green programs The shelter will be accessible to all and built green from the ground up
  with every square foot carefully considered to prioritize animal welfare while ensuring
  sustainability and cost effectiveness. It will include a green roof, a water retention pond to
  manage the storm water release and feature large outdoor dog runs which are open to the
  public. The whole building is designed to LEED Silver level standards.
- Spay/Neuter Services The high volume, low cost spay and neuter clinic is open to the public so no one will have a barrier to the joys of pet ownership. The clinic will also serve the Humane Societies of Durham, Kawartha Lakes, Northumberland, Quinte and Kingston so affordable pet care will be provided in all of central Ontario. The clinic will also help many other small animal welfare and rescue organizations locally so they can operate at a lower cost.

## **Community Impact**

- More Jobs When complete the project will increase the amount of local jobs from 16 to over 40. The building is designed for future additions to support growth in the Dog Rehabilitation Programs and the spay and neuter clinic.
- Continuing Educational Partnerships -Trent University and Fleming College have provided letters of support and partnership because PHS and Ontario SPCA have offered to allow student placements, research projects and access to the building for their students.
- **Children's Programming** Children's education program will be made available for the public, to teach youth humane education including responsible pet ownership and pet safety.
- **Pet Friendly Community Resources** This new facility will provide a new off-leash dog park that is open to the public.