THE HUMANE SOCIETY OF THE TENNESSEE VALLEY
WHY STUDY HISTORY?
• Established in 1885, our organization was chartered as the Knox County Humane Society, with the purpose of "protecting children and animals".

• For over 60 years, we held the agreement with Knox County to house all stray animals. Adoptions were low, euthanasia was high.

• In 1996, we changed our name to the Humane Society of the Tennessee Valley and focused on high volume adoptions - opening Adopt-a-Pet on Kingston Pike.

• 2001 marked the first year as a No-Kill organization, making HSTV the largest no-kill shelter in East TN.

• 2015 was a pivotal year. By defining what it takes to become a no-kill community, HSTV dedicated all of it's resources to the goal of a No-Kill East Tennessee by 2025.
What do we do?

- Our Vision is to end euthanasia of adoptable animals in East Tennessee by 2025.

- HOW? Transfer animals from other shelters to our facility at 6717 Kingston Pike for adoption. We are located in the heart of Knoxville - Bearden Hill.

- HOW? Offer a low cost spay/neuter and vaccine clinic.

- HOW? Providing certified dog trainers who recommend solutions for dog behavior issues.
What do we do?

- Recruit volunteers to "Be Their Voice" spreading public awareness about homeless animals in our community.

- Offer humane education to schools, groups and civic clubs.

- We promote three actions to achieve the Mission: Adopt, Spay, Keep.

- Partner with local businesses, media, schools, and veterinarians to achieve the Mission.
WHY DO WE DO IT?

Because all lives matter. Because shelter workers do not want to take the precious lives of adoptable pets. We do it for them; we do it for us.
Non-Profit, No-Kill

- To achieve a no-kill status, shelters must have a live-release rate of at least 90 percent.
- This means all healthy and treatable dogs and cats find a home.
- In 2016, HSTV had a live-release rate of 99 percent.
- We must exhaust all resources: medical, training, foster, etc.
It's Time...to work together!

Not pictured: Bell County, KY

HSTV Rescue Area
It's Time...to adopt a best friend!

- East TN Shelters: 52%
- KY Shelter-Bell: 24%
- Returns: 7%
- Rescues: 8%
- Owner Surrenders: 3%
- Middle TN: 3%
- Virginia: 3%

Where do the animals come from?
IT'S TIME... TO VISIT THE CLINIC!

- Services include: flea/tick preventative, heartworm preventative, yearly vaccines, spay and neuter surgery.

- Everything at the HSTV Clinic is priced low so everyone can take advantage of our services!

- Did you know that the Rabies vaccine is required by State law?

- Did you know some cities have a license law for pets?
It's Training Time

• HSTV has a certified dog trainer on staff!
• There are many different ways to train and rehabilitate dogs.
• Why is it important to train our dogs from a young age?
• We offer group classes, one-on-one consulting, in-home sessions and puppy socialization!
It's Time...
to get on board!

2017 marks the beginning of HSTV's public awareness campaign: "It's Time" for a No-Kill East Tennessee!
It's Time.

- We believe there are alternatives to euthanizing animals.
- The train to no-kill has reached East Tennessee. *Are you on board?*
- It’s Time to end the euthanasia of adoptable animals.
It's Possible. It's Coming.

It's Time.

- In Knox county, the live-release rate has increased from 37% to 67% in just 10 years.
- Other counties in our area have seen similar improvement. Blount Co is at 88%!
- The train to no-kill has reached East Tennessee. Are you on board?
It’s Time.
NO-KILL 2025

Through education & public awareness, ADOPT, SPAY, KEEP, collaboration, fundraising, partnerships, measuring progress and evaluating animal laws we KNOW East Tennessee can achieve this goal!
THANK YOU AND QUESTIONS

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