

Northwoods Humane Society – Holiday Matching Gift Drive

Tis the season to be giving! The Northwoods Humane Society has been given the opportunity to receive a gift of \$25,000 if the community is able to match it with another \$25,000 – dollar for dollar. The Northwoods Humane Society is a 501c3 non -profit organization that is committed to caring for animals in need. Established in 1989 and opening the shelter in 1994, NHS has served close to 20,000 animals plus supported a strong community outreach program.

“We are so excited about this opportunity,” stated Deanna Persson President of the Northwoods Humane Society. Our mission is to serve animals in need. All animals coming to the shelter are provided with any necessary medical care, are spayed or neutered, fecal tested, fully vaccinated, microchipped, socialized and temperament tested. The staff works to place each animal in an appropriate and loving home. We have a very pro-active spay and neuter program for owned animals, provide pet resources such as food and shelter for owned animals and when possible, assistance with medical costs. NHS provides assistance with feral cat populations with TNR. NHS maintains community dog parks – one for large dogs and one for small on the shelter grounds as well as walking trails. In addition to our spay and neuter support programs for low- and fixed-income families, NHS sponsors the Purple Cat Van free spay and neuter clinic which was held twice this year.

“As with all areas of life, the cost of caring for animals continues to increase but so does the need. When we look at our budget we ask ourselves where we can cut back – there isn’t much flex is the dollars. It is all connected to animals care. We are very grateful for this offer of \$25,000 and so hope our members, supporters and community will be able to match these dollars, stated Persson. NHS is funded thru memberships, adoption fees, donations, memorials, fundraisers and the NHS Thrift Shop. NHS receives no money from local, state or federal resources.

The drive will begin on Thursday, December 1. Mailings will sent to our membership, the information will be on Facebook – Northwoods Humane Society – Sawyer County and on our website – www.northwoodshumanesociety.org. Donations may be mailed directly to: Northwoods Humane Society – P.O. Box 82 – Hayward, WI 54843 or taken to the NHS Shelter on Hwy 77 E and O’Brien Hill Road or to the NHS Thrift Shop on Third Street and Main in Hayward.