

120 Years. Together.



1901

A group of concerned community members create the **Burlington Humane Society**, operating out of a small garage in Burlington.

Early 1900s

BHS steadily expands its organizational capacity under the leadership of **Frank Fuller** (1901-1936), **Howard Walter** (1936-1943), and **Walter Burns** (1943-1976).



1955

June & Herb Davis become the modern-day founders, dedicating themselves to further developing the BHS after seeing an increased need in the community.

1961

A larger shelter is built at Queen City Park Road, thanks to **community fundraising** efforts lead by June & Herb.

1974

BHS is renamed the **Humane Society of Greater Burlington** to reflect its growing service area.



1980s

Expanded spay/neuter services and humane education programs begin trend of **decreasing intakes and increasing adoptions**; the shelter is officially dedicated to June & Herb Davis in 1987.

1993

With donor support, the shelter is significantly re-modeled to provide a **safer and more welcoming place** for animals and the public.

1994

The Scooter Fund is created in honor of rescued beagle Scooter, providing support for animals in need of medical care before adoption.



1998

The HSBG is renamed the **Humane Society of Chittenden County**, and begins serving Grand Isle County.

1999



The annual **June Davis Award** is established to honor a special HSCC volunteer who exemplifies June's dedication to animal welfare and community service.

2002

A successful capital campaign funds the **brand-new 12,000 sq. foot building** at Kindness Court where we operate today.



2008

Camp Paw Paw welcomes its first group of students, and educates **1,500+ kids** over the next 13 years.



The **Trap-Neuter-Return (TNR)** program (spearheaded by JoAnn Nichols) begins, significantly reducing the number of free-roaming/feral cats in the local community over time.

2014

The Good Neighbor Program and Rainy Day Fund are created, which will support hundreds of families in the coming years.

2018

Joyce Cameron takes the helm as **President & CEO** and HSCC's mission & strategic direction is expanded, focusing on surrender prevention and community programs & services.

2020

The COVID-19 pandemic drastically changes operations, and the **Pet Helpline** and **Community Outreach Team** are created to support more pet owners in need in our community.

2021

The **Community Pet Clinic** is launched to serve local families who cannot afford basic preventative veterinary care for their pets.



The Jess Cares Fund is established and our **Med Room** undergoes a large **remodel**, allowing on-site spay/neuter, dental procedures, and more.

We look forward to the next 120 years!