The mission of Nantucket Island Safe Harbor for Animals, NiSHA, is to provide shelter and care for animals in need, and to promote animal welfare through humane education, outreach, and advocacy.
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Dear Friends,

By now, we all know that the year 2020 had its share of challenges, to say the least. Along with every business and nonprofit on the island, we didn’t know how we’d get through the pandemic, let alone know if NiSHA would be standing at the end of it. A year later, and though we’re still not completely out of it, we’re all starting to breathe a little deeper and move forward.

One silver lining of COVID was that people had the time to help animals in need. And animals had time to help people: pets (whether adopted or fostered) provided much-needed companionship to seniors and others who lived alone.

When we could only socialize with friends and family virtually, our pets were right by our sides providing tangible love and affection. More people were enjoying the outdoors, which meant that our dogs were getting more walks than usual. It was heartwarming to see just how vital our animal companions had become.

And for ONE DAY in December, NiSHA had an empty shelter. Prior to that milestone day in December, when lockdown began in March, we had called out to our community for help. We wanted to keep our staff safe, so the more animals we could get into foster care, the less time staff would have to be in the building. The response was overwhelming! We were able to get every single shelter animal into a foster home, allowing them to be looked after while staff members worked remotely.

Nantucket families were excited to take an animal into their homes and hearts for temporary care. Not only were the cats and dogs a distraction from the stress of lockdown, but they provided a sense of purpose during a time when we all felt so helpless. NiSHA was not the only shelter to celebrate empty kennels in 2020. Shelters across America experienced an uptick in adoptions.

We are optimistic for what is to come. As things continue to change, we are evolving, and are in tune to the needs of the animals and our community members. And we are ready to answer those needs.

Be well and with much gratitude,

Jessica Sosebee, Executive Director
Grace Traber, President
THREE PILLARS

When we were faced with a lot of unknowns at the beginning of 2020, NiSHA took the opportunity to pause and assess our programs. We concluded that NiSHA offers essential services to the Nantucket community. Those services fall under one of three pillars, which serve as the foundation of our mission:

Rescue.
Educate.
Assist.
Rescue

Lawrence Police Department Kittens

In May of 2020, NiSHA received a call from a rescue group in northern Massachusetts asking for our help. The Lawrence Police Department had rescued a momma cat and her newborn kittens from underneath a house where the residents did not want them. The shelters in the area were full, so as part of our Land to Sea Pet Rescue Program, we stepped in. NiSHA staff took the boat over, rented a car, and drove two hours to the police station to pick them up. Upon returning to the island, a foster family was already lined up, and ready to take them home.

The next eight weeks were incredibly fulfilling for the kids who were fostering Poppy, which is what they named momma, and her babies. Momma Poppy was loving and nurturing to her kittens. She was always grooming them, taught them how to eat and use the litter box. Once the kittens were old enough, NiSHA vaccinated, spayed and neutered them, including Poppy, and placed them in permanent homes.

The foster family, who became very attached to all of them, decided to keep two of the kittens, and named them Bob and Cookie. The other two siblings stayed together, and momma Poppy, is living a relaxing life without all those rascally kittens of hers pestering her all the time.
For the last 15-20 years, northeastern US shelters have seen a decrease in stray or unwanted litters of puppies for adoption. While some families are open to adopting an older dog, the majority of people want a puppy who can grow up with the family. When shelters do not have options for them, they pursue other avenues for acquiring a pet—pet stores (whose dogs come from puppy mills) and backyard breeders. Meanwhile, many other areas of the country are still euthanizing healthy, social puppies every day. NiSHA has a relationship with a dog rescue in Eupora, MS, called Little Mountain Rescue (LMR). Run by one volunteer, LMR has spent countless years and dollars providing refuge to some of these stray and abandoned dogs. She then transports them to us in Nantucket, MA, for adoption into homes in Nantucket, Cape Cod, and New England.

NiSHA has taken in over 554 of LMR’s dogs since we began in 2012. Nantucket residents and visitors have embraced these “Mississippi Mutts.” These dogs are friendly and easy family pets.

A large number of shelters in the northeastern US are participating in transports from the southern states—taking in thousands of dogs every year. While it is amazing all of those individual animals have been rescued and will, for the most part, have wonderful lives as a result, we need to stem the tide of these unwanted (and often euthanized) litters. NiSHA feels strongly that shelters participating in transports should take responsibility for making permanent change in the areas where poverty, lack of education, and other factors lead to the pet overpopulation problem and needless euthanasias.
In 2019, NiSHA launched Project Land to Sea (PLS), which aims to tackle the problem at the root. The program works with two veterinary practices in Webster County, MS: Dr. Brandy Boykin, Brandy’s Animal Care Center, and Dr. Renee Westbrook, Self Creek Veterinary Clinic. NiSHA provides funds as spay/neuter incentives for their clients or for any individual in the county who can use them to spay or neuter their pet.

**In its first year, PLS sterilized 582 pets in Webster County, MS.**
Imagine the exponential number of unwanted litters this program has prevented!

Because this is a financial assistance program, it is one that will need funding for some time. Along with applying for national and regional grants, we recently have instituted a “Spay it Forward” campaign, whereby adopters can add an additional $25, $50, or $100 to their adoption fee to help cover the cost of PLS surgeries.
**Rescue**

**Happy Tails**

**Bibi & Lucky**  
These two beautiful kittens were brought to Nantucket from Good Karma Pet Rescue in Florida as part of our Land to Sea Pet Rescue Program. When NiSHA has the space, we always offer to take animals in need of homes from more crowded shelters. And since we had a waiting list to adopt kittens, it did not take long for these two to be snatched up.

Anna and Chad recently lost Hope, their fospice kitty. Fospice animals are pets who are surrendered to NiSHA when they are older and most likely have medical conditions that will prevent them from living too much longer. Since it is difficult to find homes for these animals due to the financial and emotional burden they impose, we find a fospice home to take them. NiSHA covers the costs of medical care for however long they need it, but the animal gets to live in a loving home rather than a cage in the shelter. Fospice families provide comfort and love to older cats and dogs so they can live their last days in the best possible environment. It takes special people to be fospice providers. Anna and Chad are definitely special people, and we are thrilled they have love in their home again with Bibi and Lucky.

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**From Anna and Chad**  
“The cats have been the best company! Chad travels a lot for his work, and they have been the best companions to come home to. Throughout the looooong Nantucket winter, we joked that we just sat around and watched them... it became less and less of a joke and more of a reality! I was so happy to bring them home last July, I actually cried when they got home. And then I cried because they kept me up all night playing! Ha! They’re the sweetest animals and I’m so grateful to have them.”
**Sabrina**

One of our first COVID adoptions was a rabbit. Sabrina was brought to us by the Animal Control Officer after a concerned citizen called to report a stray bunny was in her yard, but didn’t look like the other wild rabbits that normally frequent her property. After spending some time in foster care, Elizabeth applied from the Cape to adopt Sabrina. NiSHA staff transported the sweet bunny over on the Hyline to meet her potential new mom. It was love at first sight!

**Hank**

Talk about a success story. Poor Hank had all the odds stacked against him. With medical issues and neurological problems, Hank would lash out without warning. NiSHA’s humane education coordinator, Susan Richards, decided she would like to give Hank a chance and foster him while we tried to diagnose his medical issues. Susan has a soft spot for the breed having had English Bulldogs in the past, and couldn’t resist his quirky ways. Needless to say, after a year of fostering, Hank is still living with the Richards’ family as a permanent resident. While he still has his “episodes,” he also has a slew of wonderful qualities like playing in the surf, insisting to sleep in the warmest place in the house, enjoying his canine and feline siblings, and nuzzling up to his humans.
When we asked Samantha what she hopes to do with her veterinary degree, she responded:

“I want to become a vet! More specifically, there are two areas I’m passionate about and want to focus on in my career: emphasizing the importance of animals’ emotional/mental health; and helping underserved communities or struggling families. My family has been in a position where our pets could only receive the medication they needed because of the availability of discounted, donated meds. I know a vet doesn’t always have control over the cost of things, but I want to do everything in my power to help those who need it most but can’t afford it, whether this takes the form of offering financial assistance programs to clients, or even volunteering my time and skills at shelters. No animal (or family) should have to suffer because of a lack of funds, and I want to make sure that as few as possible do.”

Julia and her mom have been fostering dogs for NiSHA for many years. They assist with our Land to Sea Pet Rescue Program, which involves going on transport trips, and helping to coordinate potential adopters with puppies. With a major in biochemistry, we asked Julia what her long term plans are.

“Once I graduate from Eckerd, I plan to attend graduate school and continue on the animal studies path, while also focusing on environmental studies and health. Within these areas, I will do my best to help people, animals, and the environment both on Nantucket, and around the world.”
When animal behavior becomes a challenge, it often leads to pets being relinquished to a shelter. Pet behavioral counseling ensures pets can stay with the families they love, helps pets live safer, less stressful lives, and ensures our shelters do not see repeat visitors needing new families. We have three dog trainers we rely on for this program. They volunteer their time to work with people struggling with behavior issues that might potentially result in a surrender if not for the one-on-one training and counseling.

Additionally, our trained staff and volunteers work diligently to work with the dogs who are waiting to be adopted. We use only positive reinforcement training methods so dogs stay confident and trusting when they are learning new skills rather than reacting out of fear of being punished. Adoptable dogs are taught manners and good behavior to ensure a successful adoption placement.

Due to the countless hours our staff and volunteers put into training the dogs as well as the families, which is even more important, NiSHA sees very few dogs returned for behavior issues. Which means hundreds of families are living happily and safely with their adopted dogs. We even see quite a few adopters come back to adopt a second or even a third dog from us!
The summer of 2020 was memorable in many ways for all of us, and it presented a unique opportunity for our Humane Education program to think outside the box. With the help of our enthusiastic virtual campers and one talented intern, that’s exactly what we did!

Our six weeks of virtual camp included regular special visitors from around the island including the Maria Mitchell program, Marine Mammal Alliance Nantucket, and a variety of community members, each with their special animal friends. Every week we met in our NiSHA virtual classroom which featured different animal trivia, projects to do during the week (animal and environment scavenger hunts were a favorite), animal question of the week, and animal themed books and videos to read and watch. The special virtual classroom was open to all “campers” to enter whenever they wished throughout the entire summer program.

From some of our Summer 2020 Campers

Intern Christina Oates
(written by Susan Richards)

“This past summer, in the midst of the pandemic, Christina became our NiSHA summer intern. We were running a virtual summer camp program for the first time and she quickly became my indispensable right-hand woman - continuing to display her ability to follow directions along with independently handling tasks without having to be asked or even supervised. We were definitely a team!”

Christina is also an extremely talented artist and writer. She wrote, illustrated, and published a book about one of our shelter dogs, Brandy, and Brandy’s adventures at NiSHA to ultimately finding a home. She has raised hundreds of dollars for NiSHA by selling her books at local book shops in Nantucket and on Amazon.
Olivia Vollans
“I really liked doing animal trivia during our virtual meetings.”

Quintess Stokes
“When COVID is over, I’d like to raise money for the animals - like a bake sale. I liked all the speakers, especially Kim from Maria Mitchell, she kept losing her turtle!”

Hadley Cook
(after a visit from NiSHA board member Eve Wetlauffer)
“Maybe I can talk to the school about not serving cheeseburgers in the cafeteria. I am not going to eat cheeseburgers because it’s not nice to cows!”

Sophie Bolan Campbell
“I really liked talking to the different people who visited us (virtually) and learning about what they do for the animals... especially Scott from Marine Mammal Alliance Nantucket. His job is really interesting -helping seals and marine life!”

Olivia Vollans
“I really liked doing animal trivia during our virtual meetings.”
Our Community Outreach Programs offer a suite of support initiatives to ensure that families with pets get the help they need to keep pets healthy and in the loving homes they already have.

Especially in 2020 when our community struggled with the effects of COVID, pets became one of the most important parts of people’s daily lives. We saw a massive uptick in the desire to adopt and foster animals not only from NiSHA, but from shelters all over the country. With more time at home and in nature, yet cut-off from family and friends, people relied on the companionship of their animals more than ever before. With more and more people out of work, NiSHA received a higher number of applications for financial assistance as well. As the world has changed, these assistance programs become more and more crucial to local communities.

NiSHA helps keep pet families together by offering the following programs:

- **Seniors with Pets Assistance (SPA)**
- **Spay/Neuter Island Pets Program (SNIPP)**
- **Lucky Whiskers and Wags Fund (LWW)**
- **Pet Food Pantry**
- **Emergency Boarding**
- **Temporary Fostering**
- **Pet Behavioral Counseling**
- **Little Free Library**

Our Community Outreach programs provide support for families with pets so that the pets can stay in the homes they already have. This is not only good for the pet, of course, but for the humans, too.
NiSHA has become known as the island resource for assistance with pets. One of the most vital programs we offer is our Seniors with Pets Assistance Program (SPA). There is no other program on the island that tries to keep pets with their families.

For some seniors, a pet is their only daily companion. Should an injury or illness temporarily prevent them from caring for their pet, NiSHA offers those services. We have walked dogs for a senior who broke her hip. We have scooped litter for a senior who could not bend over. We provide cat litter for a senior on a very fixed income. All of these small (to us) services, add large benefits for the seniors.

Susan Robinson is one of NiSHA’s SPA recipients who lives in The Landmark House with her dog Scout. Susan and Scout receive regular dog food from our Pet Food Pantry as well as financial support when Scout needs medical care.

Susan took Scout in when she heard that his family had to rehome him. Susan had recently suffered a heart attack, and was looking for a companion to keep her company as well as encourage her to be more active. The two of them share an apartment at The Landmark House where Scout draws much attention from the staff and accepts many treats during his daily routine.

Susan’s family owns a house on Tuckernuck where she can bring Scout in the summer for visits. Scout loves being on the boat, and is accustomed to wearing his life jacket. Once on the island, he spends most of his day chasing after deer and rabbits, or in other words, living every dog’s best dream!

Susan is extremely grateful for NiSHA’s SPA program, which allows her to not worry about how she will financially take care of Scout. Instead, they focus on their close bond and the benefits they each give to one another.
One of NiSHA’s community assistance recipients, Ezra Descarfino, receives food for Roxi from our Pet Food Pantry, and financial assistance from our Lucky Whiskers and Wags Fund to help pay for Roxi’s medications.
Ezra writes:

“My bond with Roxi is most definitely the kind of love that reaches to the moon and back. I met Roxi while volunteering at NiSHA. My therapist had suggested that working with animals might be good for my medically diagnosed PTSD, and also that NiSHA is good people, and they absolutely are.

I often feel judged and misunderstood by the world, but NiSHA whole heartedly embraced me and gave me an opportunity to reveal my tender side to the world.

So often our main stream culture associates PTSD with war veterans, when in fact childhood abuse and sexual assault can also cause PTSD. Since I’ve had Roxi, I’m not afraid to be alone in my home, and I sleep through the night better with her by my side. In public, I feel more confident and relaxed and less nervous and defensive, and when I’m shaky she senses it and gives me extra love.

It would be inaccurate to call Roxi a therapy dog, she has her triggers, too, and requires medications. In every sense of the word she’s a rescue, but a rescue who has rescued me, you could say that we keep each other in line.

NiSHA has been overwhelmingly supportive of her special diet, medications and vet bills. I’m on a fixed income and wouldn’t be able to care for her otherwise, and I’m eternally grateful for their commitment to this animal and the bond that she and I share.”
In Memory: Bugsy

In 2020, we lost our beloved rabbit Bugsy. Bugsy was a Flemish Giant who loved to be around children. He accompanied Susan Richards, Humane Ed Coordinator, on various school and camp visits, and patiently allowed many little hands to pet him.

He was known to camp out in the middle of the room, back legs sprawled out, while Susan read a book or taught a lesson, and the children admired Bugsy’s soft fur and long ears.

Safe travels, Bugsy, you will be missed.
COVID Report

When COVID began and there was a lot that was unknown, the Nantucket community came forward to help animals like never before. Within days, all of our animals were with families rather than at the shelter, allowing our staff and volunteers to safely stay out of the facility and work from home. With more people home, we had a record breaking number of adoption applications. People were looking to connect, and while they could not do so with friends and family, taking home an animal in need provided love and companionship for everyone.
Happy Tails

Pepper was diagnosed with insulin-dependent diabetes at the age of 5, and when her family decided that was too much for them to handle, we welcomed her to NiSHA. We got her the medical care she needed, set her up with the correct medication, and then found a loving foster mom who could maintain her strict insulin schedule.

When NiSHA cares for a pet with a pre-existing medical condition, our Lucky Whiskers and Wags fund steps in. Funded by private foundations and individuals, this money is set aside to ensure that any animal who comes through our doors gets the medical care they need to be the most adoptable they can be. From insulin-dependent diabetics like Pepper to cats with kidney disease and beyond, the fund is a safety net for all special needs pets.

Having a medical condition can slow down the adoption process for many animals, and that was the case for Pepper. After searching for months to find Pepper the right placement, one showed up in a surprising way: her foster mom’s parents officially adopted Pepper on Christmas Day, 2020!
Eight hundred and four. That is the number of days Eden was with us. Between stays in the shelter, trial adoptions, and time spent in foster homes, Eden spent over two years waiting for a home to call her own.

Eden is a very shy cat. While she did allow even the youngest volunteers to brush her while at the shelter, once in a home environment, she would take the first chance she got to hide under the couch, bed, or other piece of furniture. We decided fostering was the best option for Eden; she needed to be in a quieter setting where she could learn to trust.

Foster homes offer pets targeted training. They get more one-on-one attention than they would in a shelter environment, where volunteer interaction is more sporadic. A fosterer can be coached on the specific behavioral work their individual pet needs while in their care. In addition, fostering allows us to get a better sense of how a pet will act in a home setting, as an animal’s behavior can be drastically different in a kennel or cage.

Even the shiest cats get their reward: Eden was officially adopted in 2020. Eight hundred and five was her lucky number!
NiSHA collaborates with many island organizations as we believe that working together to tackle the issues our community faces is easier when we combine our resources and function as a team.

One collaboration, the most synergistic one, is our partnership with Cattrap Nantucket, an all-volunteer run organization whose mission is to humanely reduce the feral cat population on Nantucket. They spay or neuter the feral cats, release them back to where they were living, and provide feeding stations and shelters for them to live as comfortably outdoors as possible. Sometimes they trap kittens. If the kittens are young enough, the better life for them is to have a home where they are looked after, loved and given proper nutrition and medical care. NiSHA took in 48 kittens from Cattrap Nantucket in 2020.

In 2020, NiSHA’s overall adoption numbers were higher than they had ever been, and for the first time ever, cat adoptions kept pace with dog adoptions.

With all of our pets in foster care, and so many Nantucketers willing to help, staff reached out to other shelters to see if we could lessen their burden, too. And, boy, did we! NiSHA took in nearly 100 cats from five other shelters from Lawrence, MA, to Pompano Beach, FL, and found them loving homes on Nantucket and Cape Cod. In addition to collaborating with other US cat rescues, NiSHA took on a larger role in our partnership with Cattrap Nantucket. While we had always worked with Cattrap to help Nantucket’s community cats, in 2020 NiSHA began taking in all the adoptable kittens and finding them homes.

This kind of collaboration among shelters means that the cats get to where they need to be and far more lives are saved. We are so grateful to all the staff, volunteers, and foster homes who transported, fostered, socialized, cleaned, fed, and loved these lucky kitties!
From Andrea Morris, Operations Manager
“The collaboration with Cattrap over the years has been very successful. They sterilize, release and monitor the cats that are not adoptable while NiSHA places the adoptable kittens. What is most rewarding for me is watching the transformation that these kittens make. They come to NiSHA pretty scared, but after time in a foster home where they can be properly socialized, we get to send them into safe and loving homes, where they become a part of a family. This is a much better situation than living their lives outside in the harsh elements. Like my Barry, whom I took home as a foster kitten because he was very scared in the shelter. He began playing with my big dog almost immediately. I was nervous to introduce him to my rescue pup as he has a high prey drive, but two months later, they play, groom, and cuddle together. This experience has helped me to guide adopters through integrating new cats and dogs together.”

Fern & Tigger
Last winter, Cattrap Nantucket was called out to the cranberry bogs after someone had spotted two kittens in the water. More specifically, one of NiSHA’s alumni pups, Biloxi, alerted her mom the kittens were in need of assistance and she called Cattrap for help. Once they were rescued from the freezing water, NiSHA took them in. The kittens, named Biloxi after their rescuer and Elsa from Frozen, were given the medical attention they needed and placed into a foster home where they could recover and get socialization. The kittens got stronger in no time and were quickly ready to be adopted into a home of their own where they are now called Fern and Tigger and loved tremendously!
Wildlife Taskforce

In November of 2020, NiSHA called a meeting with all local entities that deal with wildlife issues. It had become apparent a more concerted effort needed to be made as so many organizations were receiving calls about distressed wildlife, yet all giving out different answers and information. That is when the Nantucket Wildlife Response Taskforce formed. Though the Taskforce is in its early stages, it is already encouraging how much progress has been made, and how committed the various groups are to caring for the island’s wildlife.

The Nantucket Wildlife Response Taskforce is a consortium of environmental non-profits, land trusts, public safety and state agencies, and animal care centers. The goal of this taskforce is to better coordinate responses to wildlife incidents on the island of Nantucket, educate the public regarding procedures for dealing with wildlife in distress, track and record wildlife responses, and work with the proper animal care centers, veterinarians, and wildlife rehabbers to provide applicable and quality care for injured wildlife when deemed appropriate.
COLLABORATIONS
Along with many of the other non-profit organizations, we were worried about our summer fundraiser getting cancelled. We rely on that one, big event to bring in almost half of our annual operating income. It was difficult to imagine how we would make it without our principal fundraising event.

The trend of the summer in 2020 was to create a virtual event that would engage, excite and inspire our supporters to watch and donate.

On July 31st, NiSHA presented a live-stream event: 2020 Vision: Keep Our Shelter in Place, which included an hour of pets, entertainment, and heartfelt stories . . . all for the animals. We featured Shorty Award Winner, Steve Greig of @Wolfgang2242 Instagram fame. There were performances by Donald Dallaire and Meredith Hanson, plus live-action puppy and kitten cams, adoption and foster check-ins, amazing pet tricks, and awards. There were chances to win fantastic packages throughout the evening as well as the opportunity to participate in a generous match initiated by the Walker Family.

At the end of the evening, we managed to net almost the same amount that we would have during our in-person gala. We could not have done it without the amazing outpouring of support we received from our sponsors, local businesses, volunteers, and everyone who donated to ensure that we were able to keep our shelter in place.
Virtual Daffy Parade

We missed not being able to gather on Children’s Beach for the annual Daffy Dog Parade. The one highlight of the parade being virtual in 2020 was that people could send their photos in, regardless of where they lived.

In loving memory of Milo Gallugi
Virtual Christmas Photos & Stroll Tree

It was the first time since NiSHA’s inception that we could not host our Annual Pet Photos with Santa event. One silver lining for it to be virtual is that ALL pets could participate. While it seemed difficult for the cats and bunnies to be present among all the dogs, they were wonderfully welcomed in our virtual activities.

NiSHA was proud to showcase our annual downtown tree again this year. Volunteer Angelina Knapp outdid herself once more with a wonderful depiction of our shelter pets in snowy cheer. Thanks to Adam Dread, Attorney at Law, for sponsoring our tree for the second year in a row!
NiSHA has the most amazing supporters. Each year, we rely on the generosity of other people hosting events and raising money for us. We were worried that COVID would prevent those events from happening, but the show went on!

Susan Berman and Ray Saunders hosted a Facebook concert, and donated the contents of their virtual tip jar to the animals!

Janet Forest walked the length of the island to raise funds and awareness for NiSHA’s animals!
On January 19, 2021, Nantucket lost a wonderful member of its community. Marina Sutro was an active member of many local organizations, but she was special to NiSHA because of her compassion for animals. Marina adopted many cats over the years, and was keenly interested in ensuring that the cats in the shelter had the best environment possible while they waited to be adopted. Marina provided bigger cat condos as well as paid to have outdoor “catios” built, so that the cats could get fresh air and daily sunshine. Some of our cats waited months to find a new home. Their quality of life never decreased due to the home-like space that Marina provided to them.

NiSHA has been a recipient of Marina’s charitable donations through her foundation: the MS Worthington Foundation for many years. She will be missed, but her contributions will not be forgotten.
## 2020 Financials

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Lori Smith, Dog Adoption Coordinator

Few people realize Lori is a volunteer. She does so much for the dogs—and their people—it is like she is part of the full-time staff. Lori has created and leads a team of other volunteers who run the dog portion of NiSHA’s Land to Sea Pet Rescue Program. In addition to that Herculean task, she readily drops what she is doing to help a dog in any situation and enlists a dog-training-and-support team to help the pup and their person through tough times.

Lori has been with NiSHA from Day 1, helping us create a plan for how to run an all-volunteer shelter: Who would care for the animals? How will we schedule the volunteers? Who will answer the phones?

Now, nearly 10 years later, Lori is still at it—working tirelessly to ensure every pup has a loving home, and every loving home wanting a pup finds one.
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