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Spokane Humane Society receives a generous anonymous gift to fund their main cat space renovation

Spokane, WA— Spokane Humane Society (SHS) is excited to announce its updated main feline space, made possible by a generous donor who gifted funds to renovate the shelter's cat room. *Benson's Place* is inspired by a one-eared orange tabby cat who was considered less desired but received a second chance to live out his life in a loving home through adoption.

Extra-large, new high-quality kennels that provide comfort and additional space for cats to roam and play were purchased. Climbing space around the room was included in the layout for exercise and enrichment. The zoo-quality outdoor Catio with antimicrobial turf allows the cats to get fresh air and sunshine, which is essential for their physical and mental well-being, providing another layer of important enrichment. New lighting was installed to control overhead light for comfort and materials to lessen sound from the K9 kennels to keep the space calm and quiet.

Most importantly, installing antimicrobial floors and walls for sanitary purposes was critical to include in this environment. This not only improves the overall cleanliness and safety of the shelter but will also help prevent the spread of disease, keeping the cats healthy and happy.

"We are truly grateful to our donors for their generosity and compassion. Thanks to their gift, we are able to provide our feline residents with an improved wellness space for many more years to come. We hope that this incredible act of kindness will inspire others to give back to their communities and make a positive impact on the lives of those around them," says Kim Reasoner-Morin, SHS Executive Director.

The ribbon-cutting (with partners from Greater Spokane Incorporated) ceremony took place on May 11, 2023, at the Spokane Humane Society shelter location, 6607 N Havana. *Benson's Place* was welcomed by the SHS Board of Directors, team members, donors, partners, sponsors, and community members.

Thanks to the incredible generosity of this donor, the main cat room at SHS has been transformed, and the current and future feline residents have a safe and comfortable space to call home as they patiently wait for their forever homes.

[Learn more](#) about Benson and the story behind the namesake *Benson's Place*.

ABOUT SPOKANE HUMANE SOCIETY

Spokane Humane Society is the oldest animal shelter in Spokane with an over 125-year legacy. They are a 501c3 private, non-profit serving the public since 1897 by providing care, shelter, and placement into loving homes for homeless, neglected, and unwanted animals in the greater Spokane area through adoptions. To view adoptable animals or provide life-changing support to furry friends, please visit the SHS website at www.spokanehumanesociety.org. Stay updated by following the Spokane Humane Society Facebook page <https://facebook.com/SpokaneHumaneSociety/>.

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