



Raising the Roof

Raising Hope for Animals

A Campaign for the Monroe
County Friends of Animals

MCFA breaks ground on Eastbourne Animal Center!

On May 3, the Monroe County Friends of Animals broke ground on its new Animal Center! An enthusiastic crowd of friends and well-wishers joined us at the new Center site, adjacent to the current shelter in Madisonville, to celebrate this long-awaited and much-needed milestone.

**Click [HERE](#) to watch
WATE news clip!**

With land donated by the Kefauver family, the participation of nearly 200 donors, and partnership of the Monroe County government, MCFA has secured gifts and pledges of \$4.3 million. The *Raising the Roof Campaign* is now at 91%



Foster Kitten Tucker

Why I Support MCFA and the Eastbourne Animal Center

by Kit Sexton

My husband and I moved to this area in 2013. One of our first stops was the Monroe County Animal Shelter. We noticed immediately they needed help.

I joined MCFA and have supported them ever since. I started volunteering at the shelter during the pandemic. I clean cat condos twice a week, foster cats and kittens, and love it.

**Volunteering at the
shelter is truly a blessing.
It is the most rewarding
feeling to know you are
helping the unfortunate
cats and kittens, who**

of goal.

Recognizing the remarkable generosity of Barbara Eastbourne to the campaign, we will name the new building **The Eastbourne Animal Center**. In addition to making a substantial leadership gift to the *Raising the Roof Campaign* early on, Barbara stepped forward to commit an additional gift earlier this year, so that construction could begin. We are grateful beyond words for her transformational support. We expect construction to be completed in **Summer of 2024**. Stay tuned for updates on our progress!

Please join us in Raising the Roof for animals!

Check out our campaign video, which shows how inadequate and inefficient our current shelter is.

"click here"



We're Not Done Yet!

While we have secured \$4.3 million in gifts and pledges, we're not done!

Due to supply chain disruptions and higher building costs,

have no homes, have been mistreated or worse. Seeing them go to loving homes is the best feeling ever.

I would recommend to anyone that if able, please volunteer at the shelter. You get to know the staff, trustees, other volunteers and join a group of truly amazing individuals who are doing God's work.

Plus, you get to play with cute kitties and socialize with them, which is very important for them to be adopted.

I am excited about the long-awaited new Animal Center. We were thrilled to make a gift to name one of the cat habitats. The Center will be such a benefit to the animals and our community.



We gratefully acknowledge those who have made

MCFA needs a final \$400,000 to complete the building and provide the features and services we had envisioned. If you are inspired by those who have stepped forward to achieve our dream, then PLEASE support the campaign with an outright gift or pledge.

Many people have pledged over a 5-year period. Many others have made gifts of appreciated stock or forwarded distributions from their IRAs or other retirement vehicles.

Please contact Campaign Chair Cheryl Ulmer, or Executive Director Teresa Underwood for more information at info@monroecountyfriendsofanimals.org. Or you can go to our website: www.monroecountyfriendsofanimals.org.

There are many special opportunities to name a specific area for a loved one or a beloved pet. We will also recognize our major donors on a central donor wall in the main lobby. Planning is also now underway to recognize gifts of all sizes.

If you had been waiting to see if this project would materialize before committing your gift, wait no more!

Thank you for your consideration in finishing this effort and building an Animal Center of which we can all be proud.

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to Raise this Roof!**



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