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## **PRESS RELEASE**

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### **Bedford Humane Society seeks site for Adoption Center**

Bedford, VA November 1, 2007 - The Bedford Humane Society is seeking a site in the Bedford area on which to build a no kill animal Adoption Center. Traditionally, animal shelters have been located in remote areas on the outskirts of town. However the Bedford Humane Society is hoping for a highly visible location close to the commercial center of the County. Nationwide statistics show that other animal care organizations who have placed their new shelters in highly visible locations have doubled their adoptions.

In addition to housing homeless animals, The Vernon D Lybolt Jr. Adoption Center, named after it's benefactor, will provide a long awaited home for the Society itself, which has operated through foster homes since it's incorporation in 1994. A physical building will allow the organization to expand existing programs and add some new ones. Programs such as spay/neuter, pet behavior counseling and humane education will help reduce overpopulation. Operation Dog House, AniMeals (pet food bank), and low cost vaccination clinics are planned to help pets stay in their current homes.

The Bedford Humane Society's Executive Director, Doreen Ehasz, says "Our vision is an Adoption Facility that is committed to improving the lives of sheltered animals, but also works hard to reduce pet overpopulation and improve the lives of pets in their current homes through a variety of proactive programs that reach out into the Community."

For more information, visit their website at [www.bedfordhumanesociety.petfinder.com](http://www.bedfordhumanesociety.petfinder.com)

Land prices in Bedford have soared in recent years and the group is hoping for a full or partial donation of an appropriate piece of land. This would free existing funds to be used solely for construction. The Bedford Humane Society Inc. is a 501c3 non profit organization. For further information contact Doreen Ehasz at 540-586-6100.

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