

**MILDRED'S FOSTER MOM URGES OTHERS TO JOIN THE HUMANE SOCIETY'S
FOSTER PROGRAM**

KITCHENER WATERLOO STRATFORD PERTH, ONTARIO: Mildred, the elderly dog found in a plastic bag on the side of a road near Listowel earlier this summer, has been in the care of a foster family while undergoing medical procedures and is now ready for adoption.

Since being brought to the Humane Society on July 30th in a very poor condition, Mildred has undergone multiple surgeries, including a spay, vaginal prolapse repair, removal of multiple mammary tumors and dental work. While undergoing these procedures, Mildred was placed in the care of one of the Humane Society's foster families.

“She's somewhat of a local celebrity and gets recognized all the time. She loves meeting new people and new dogs.” remarked Jennifer Ledlow, Mildred's foster mom. “It's been a wonderful and rewarding experience for me and for my family and I encourage others to join the Humane Society's foster program.”

During the summer, while many people spent extended periods of time at home due to COVID-19 restrictions, the Humane Society's foster program benefited from an increased number of volunteers signing up to care for animals waiting to be adopted.

“During its peak in July, we had close to 100 families fostering our animals on a regular basis.” said Stephanie Schamber, Foster Coordinator. “But, as the world started to open up again, our numbers began to drop. Currently we have approximately 70 families in our program and most have an animal that they are fostering right now! We don't want to overburden our foster volunteers, and see those numbers drop even further.”

Today, Mildred is officially available for adoption. Applications are available on the Humane Society's [website](#) and will be reviewed in the order they are received.

New foster volunteers over the age of 18 are encouraged to [apply today!](#) Prior animal care experience is not mandatory, as training will be provided upon joining the program.

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