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Beaver County Humane Society Expanding Services through Building Acquisition

Aliquippa, PA – Beaver County Humane Society (BCHS) is expanding its medical and other services through the acquisition of the former Airgas building at 3395 Brodhead Road.

"With our growing needs, the new building will help us to expand our programs and services to better serve our communities," Debbie Klessner, board president at BCHS, said. "We believe purchasing an existing structure will save us substantial time and money in the long-run, and we're all excited about entering the next chapter."

"Our current facility was state-of-the-art when it initially opened 10 years ago, but we have definitely outgrown it," Alison Yazer, executive director at BCHS, said. "The fact that the building across the street went on the market while we were figuring out a way to expand our services was too serendipitous to pass up. This acquisition represents myriad possibilities for us as we move into the future of BCHS."

Recent gifts from generous supporters enabled BCHS to install an X-ray machine and a dental suite on the premises. These additions are forecasted to save the shelter more than \$125,000 annually on services that were previously outsourced. Access to the X-ray machine and dental care are reserved for only shelter animals—that is, not owned pets—at this time, but that will likely change going forward.

"We are hopeful that we can offer these services to Beaver County residents and their pets soon," Ms. Yazer added.

BCHS plans to move administrative roles into the new building to accommodate these expansions, but the building will likely also be home to many other services to support the needs of the shelter animals.

About Beaver County Humane Society

Beaver County Humane Society, located 30 miles northwest of Pittsburgh, PA, is the only animal shelter serving Beaver County and contiguous communities, Ohio, and West Virginia. Since 1950, we have grown to meet the needs of the community as a full-service companion-animal welfare organization, providing pets with second chances and happy homes. BCHS is leading the way to protect all domestic animals and promote the concepts of kindness and respect for all living creatures with comprehensive offerings of animal-centered programs and services.

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