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Because every dollar counts towards making a difference in the lives of our shelter animals, we encourage you to raise at least \$75 in pledges. Raising pledges is easy! Here are a few tips to help you get started.

- Set a goal and start fundraising today.
- Ask friends, neighbors, coworkers and relatives to sponsor you.
- Ask local businesses and restaurants that you frequent to sponsor you.
- Ask if your employer has a matching gift program.
- Designate a "sponsorship jar" that you, your family and friends can put spare change in.
- Send an email or letter to relatives and friends asking them to sponsor you.
- Leave a "sponsor me" message on your voice mail.
- Set up your own online fundraising page for this event at <https://www.razoo.com/story/25th-Annual-Paws-Walk>. Just click on the green Get Started! button and follow the steps to create your own fundraising page.
- You can print off additional pledge forms at <http://www.homewardonline.org/wp-content/uploads/2015/06/2015-Paws-Walk-Pledge-Form.pdf>.

 **Homeward  
Animal Shelter**  
1201 28th Ave. N.  
Fargo, ND 58102



Join us as we Stride for Strays at the

25TH ANNUAL  
**PAWS WALK**

Music, Games,  
Food & More!

Fun the whole  
family can enjoy...  
both 2-legged & 4!

A Fundraising Event  
for the homeless cats & dogs  
of Homeward Animal Shelter!

**Tuesday, July 28, 2015**  
**Lindenwood Park's Main Shelter**  
**6 p.m. - Registration Begins**  
**7 p.m. - Walk Begins**

\$25 minimum donation to participate in the walk

For more information on this event and how you can participate visit:  
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RESCUE. SHELTER. PROTECT. REHOME.

## 25th Annual PAWS WALK to take place on July 28

Music, Games, Food & More! Fun the whole family can enjoy both two-legged and four!  
This year marks the 25th Anniversary of PAWS WALK and we hope you will be able to partake in this momentous occasion!

Please join us as we Stride for Strays at the **25th Annual PAWS WALK** on Tuesday, **July 28** at Lindenwood Park's Main Shelter in Fargo. **Registration begins at 6 p.m. and the Walk begins at 7 p.m.** This is a fundraising event for the homeless cats & dogs of Homeward Animal Shelter. **All proceeds help to provide food, shelter and veterinary care to the shelter animals as they await their forever homes.**

**Donations for Paws Walk are collected by participants prior to the walk. A minimum \$25 donation is required to participate in the Walk.** Gifts of \$75 or more will be matched by our generous sponsors, up to \$20,000. **Individuals who raise at least \$75 or more get a FREE Paws Walk t-shirt, teams that raise \$150 or more get 2 FREE Paws Walk t-shirts.** Prizes will be awarded to the top 3 individuals who raise the most and the top 2 teams who raise the most.

Pledge Forms to collect donations can be found at: <http://www.homewardonline.org/wp-content/uploads/2015/06/2015-Paws-Walk-Pledge-Form.pdf>. You can also start your own fundraising page online at: <https://www.razoo.com/story/25th-Annual-Paws-Walk>. Just click on the green Get Started! button and follow the steps to create your own fundraising page.

In addition to the Paws Walk itself, the event will include: music by RetroDisc, food by MSUM Catering, games by Games to Go, a photo booth by Timeless Images Pho-

tography, face painting by Monkey's Allowance, various vendor booths and more!

To select this year's PAWS WALK Grand Marshal, we held an online photo contest called Glorify Our Alumni from April 20 – May 25. Participants could be any dog or cat who was adopted from Homeward Animal Shelter (formerly Humane Society Fargo-Moorhead). We had 18 of our amazing adoptees enter the contest. We're proud to announce that the 25th Annual PAWS WALK will be led by one of Homeward's finest, our very own shelter alum, Windsor. Windsor will lead this year's walk as the Event Grand Marshal, proudly representing shelter animals everywhere.

Windsor was adopted by Jim and Brenda Hagel on July 5, 2014. He came to the shelter as a surrender. Prior to arriving in our care, he had been chained in a kennel and kept outside at all times. He came in with a severe ear infection and had draining sores and lesions under his collar from the pulling of a chain around his neck. Windsor's story quickly tugged at the hearts of the Hagels'. They decided to take a chance on him. And we're so glad they did! He now lives the life of luxury in West Fargo with his pet parents, Jim and Brenda, and three cat siblings: Bootstrap, Rocket and Nebula. A life of love and comfort, one that every shelter pet dreams.

Here's a little Q&A with Windsor's family:  
**What made you decide to adopt a pet?**

*We had a little white Bichon named Tiger. We*

*loved him dearly. He was a cheerful, happy little dog who loved everyone. He had chronic pancreatitis, but the last year or so he'd been going downhill rapidly. He was losing his sight, his hearing, and he was so thin he looked like a walking skeleton because he wasn't eating.*

*Since our vet let us know we needed to think about letting him go soon, we knew last summer would be his last. We decided to get another dog before we lost Tiger,*

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**Below: Windsor smiles for the camera as he enjoys a nice pat on the back from his dad, Jim Hagel.**





*We really only looked at Windsor on a whim. We weren't looking for a large dog, but as soon as Tiger saw him he got really excited. He started following him around and really connected with Windsor. Jim and I had serious reservations about getting a large breed, but we decided to give it a chance. I'm so glad we did!*

*This question made me grin. Know the Miley Cyrus song Wrecking Ball? The line kind of fits for Windsor "He came in like a wrecking ball." We had small, older, low energy pets – a 14 year old dog, a 14 year old cat, and a 13 year old cat. Windsor burst into our lives with an unexpected, yet welcomed, intensity. One thing that*

A German Shepherd dog is lying on a green lawn, looking directly at the camera with a happy expression, its mouth open showing its teeth. The dog has tan and black fur. A blue, bone-shaped toy lies on the grass to the right of the dog. In the bottom left corner, there is text: "Windsor" in a large, bold, black font, and "Paws Walk Grand Marshal / Homeward Alum" in a smaller, italicized, black font below it.

A close-up photograph of an orange and white cat looking directly at the camera. The cat has bright green eyes and a pink nose. It is lying down, and its fur is a mix of orange and white. The background is dark and out of focus.

A close-up profile of a husky dog looking out over a snowy landscape. The dog has white fur with dark markings around its eyes and ears. It is wearing a collar with a chain. The background is a bright, snowy field under a clear sky.

A close-up photograph of a small, long-haired white dog, possibly a Papillon or a similar breed, sitting on a patterned surface. The dog has large, dark, expressive eyes and large, fringed ears. It is looking directly at the camera with a calm expression. The background is a light-colored fabric with a subtle floral or geometric pattern.

Wags, Whiskers & Wine  
October 22, 2015  
NDSU Alumni Center  
Watch for more details to come.

A Fundrasing Event for the homeless cats & dogs of Homeward Animal Shelter!

***Our Homeward Alum, Windsor, will proudly lead the walk as this year's Paws Walk Grand Marshal!***

