

**2018 is Last Hope's Year of "Cat & Canine Contrast".
 Become a Member of Last Hope so We Can Improve More Pets' Lives!**

Dear Friends,

Last Hope pets -"Tucker" and "Odin"- each had a dramatic Before & After. Both have physical disabilities; but once at Last Hope, they received medical care leading to much better lives. Your annual **Last Hope membership**, be it new or a renewal, strengthens Last Hope's ability to give more homeless pets a "Happily Ever After" to make up for their bad start in life.

Yes, your membership enables the Last Hope team of 600 volunteers to do more, help more and spend more to change desperate dogs' and cats' lives for the better. Dogs like "Tucker" a young Beagle who caught his paw in a leg hold trap in Kentucky. He had toes amputated, but needed additional surgery through Last Hope because a split nail became infected; or cats like "Odin" a kitten who lost an eye due to a severe infection. In his first home, he quickly bonded with the kids and dog. Odin was returned when a child became allergic. Odin practically died of a broken heart because he missed his first home. His Last Hope foster Mom provided TLC until we placed him in a second home where he and the dog are inseparable.



Last year your membership helped Last Hope find loving homes for 453 cats and 304 dogs. Striving to transform the plight of abandoned and stray animals, Last Hope takes dogs from municipal shelters on Long Island and from overcrowded Southern states. Our cats come from many local sources of distress. Each pet has a contrasting change of fortune upon entering our adoption program.

Hundreds more, especially feral cats, were spayed or neutered so not to add to the sufferings of pet overpopulation. Others received a better quality of life. In 2017 we hosted seven free TNR (Trap/Neuter/Return) clinics open to the public where 315 cats were altered, vaccinated and flea-treated. We implemented a proactive strategy to lessen kitten season by issuing 500 free feral vouchers in the winter and early spring. Since 2003, over 20,000 cats have been spayed or neutered via Last Hope's discounted "Fix-A-Feral" vouchers. Last Hope was also able to offer veterinary services to the pets of people going through hard times as well as low cost vaccines to pets of all Nassau/Suffolk owners.

In addition, as a Last Hope member you may vote this October for the Board of Directors. The Board sets the policies of Last Hope. Only those who are members in good standing on or before August 31, 2018 can vote in this year's election; and only Last Hope members can hold Board positions.

Individual membership entitles your pet to one free rabies vaccine and family membership to two free rabies vaccines for two of your pets at one of our public clinics in the spring or fall.

Last Hope has come such a long way since our "two women team" beginnings in 1981. Now we have a huge volunteer team, foster home network, Wantagh Adoption Center plus four satellite cat centers inside retail stores so we can rescue many dogs and cats, like "Tucker" and "Odin", giving them a much improved life- no matter how difficult or distressed their lives were at first. With YOU as a member, Last Hope can fortify these rescue efforts.

We hope you will join or renew as an official Last Hope member. Please choose a membership level on the attached coupon, and mail it with your check to the address below. Thank you.

With appreciation,
 Linda Stuurman
 Last Hope president

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**Please complete and return with your check to: Last Hope, Inc., P.O. Box 7025, Wantagh, NY 11793.
 Make checks payable to: Last Hope, Inc.**

Yes, I want to become a member of Last Hope, Inc. at the following membership level:

- New Membership
 - Renewal
 - \$25.00-Individual Membership
 - \$35.00-Family Membership
 - 20.00-Senior (individual 65 or over)
 - 100.00-Supporting Member
- _____ Additional contribution for rescue/rehabilitation efforts

Name: _____

Address: _____
 Street City State Zip Code

Telephone: _____ Email: _____