

March 9, 2022

Deputy Michelle Reid
Alpena County Animal Control
Alpena, MI 49707

Dear Deputy Reid:

I am submitting this letter to document my support for the plans you have to refurbish/remodel the old Alpena Jail building to become the new Animal Shelter.

Since September of last year, I have been volunteering several times a week, mostly walking dogs housed at the current shelter on the fairgrounds. The care and compassion for the animals, as well as the conscientious dedication, I have seen exhibited by you and your staff is remarkable not to mention often heart-warming. This has made my volunteering there a satisfying experience, and encourages me to help in other ways.

Since I have been to the current shelter so often, I see the positives as well as 'opportunities for improvement'. I am excited to hear about your proposed plans to convert the old jail and provide additional services that will benefit pet owners and animals. To date I have donated \$500 towards the care of the shelter animals. I am now pledging to donate \$5,000 towards this project.

This proposed facility will benefit the community by correcting and/or improving limitations at the current shelter.

Thank you for your efforts, vision and dedication.

Sincerely,

James A. Blue
Alpena, MI