

## **Animals in foreclosure**

When people lose their homes, more is lost than a place to live. I am a volunteer with the Humane Society of Greater Akron. There are now 400 animals at the shelter and 100 in foster care. I care for rabbits and guinea pigs. I have a rabbit, Benjamin Bunny, I adopted from the shelter and two foster rabbits. Many are pets from foreclosed homes.

I may be facing the same situation this year. My home is in foreclosure and, if I cannot work things out, I would need to move into a shelter or someplace that may not take animals.

I would need to give up my pet rabbit. My rabbit is not just my pet. He and I are volunteers at a local nursing home. Benjamin visits the residents, so I would have to give this up, too.

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