

# WHITE LAKE TOWNSHIP

## *COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT DEPARTMENT*

**DATE:** September 5, 2025

**TO:** Rik Kowall, Supervisor  
Township Board of Trustees

**FROM:** Sean O'Neil, Community Development Director

**SUBJECT:** Piper Foundation (Conceptual Presentation)



Back on January 16<sup>th</sup>, Mr. Bryan Ede, with the non-profit Piper Foundation, gave a conceptual presentation to the Planning Commission regarding his desire to construct a dog rescue, boarding facility, and dog park on the 37-acre vacant parcel (currently zoned PB - Planned Business) immediately north of Walmart on the east side of Fisk Road, and south of Pontiac Lake Road. At that time, there was also a campground and luxury cabin component that has since been removed from the plan. He would like to give the Board a brief presentation in order to gauge the interest and support he may have for moving ahead with this unique idea on the parcel in question.

Please find attached the presentation from Mr. Ede, as well as the aerial view of the 37-acre property in question from Oakland County Property Gateway. Do not hesitate to contact me if you have any questions or require additional information.

Thank you.

# The Foundation





## WHO WE ARE

THE PIPER FOUNDATION WAS FORMED IN 2024 AFTER YEARS OF FOUNDERS BRYAN EDE AND BRAD RICE VOLUNTEERING WITH SEVERAL LOCAL DOG RESCUES. THE CHALLENGES DOG RESCUES FACE DAILY BECAME A COMMON THEME - BEING OVERWHELMED WITH DOGS BEING TAKEN IN, EXTREME HIGH VET COSTS, AND LACK OF FUNDING. TOGETHER WE FORMED THE PIPER FOUNDATION, A 501(C)3 NON PROFIT, NAMED AFTER OUR 15 YEAR OLD OL ENGLISH SHEEPDOG - PIPER. OUR FOUNDATION WILL FOCUS ON SUPPORTING LOCAL ANIMAL RESCUES WITH MONETARY DONATIONS AND FREE VET CARE, FUNDED NOT ONLY BY OUR DONORS, BUT THE REVENUE GENERATED FROM THE FOUNDATION, OUR 38 ACRE PROPERTY IN WHITE LAKE, WHICH WE HOPE TO BREAK GROUND IN THE SPRING OF 2025.





# MISSION STATEMENT

Empowering Low-income families to keep their beloved pets healthy and happy, and supporting fellow dog rescue organizations in finding forever homes for strays. We believe that financial limitations shouldn't prevent families from experiencing the unconditional love of a pet.



# PUBLIC USE DOG PARK

WITH SOCIAL GATHERING SPACE



# THE FOUNDATION DOG PARK

Our public use dog park will consist of a fenced 4 acre parcel at the southeast corner of the property. It will be broken into two areas, one for larger breed dogs and one for senior and smaller dogs.

There will be a reduced cost for residents of White Lake Twp.

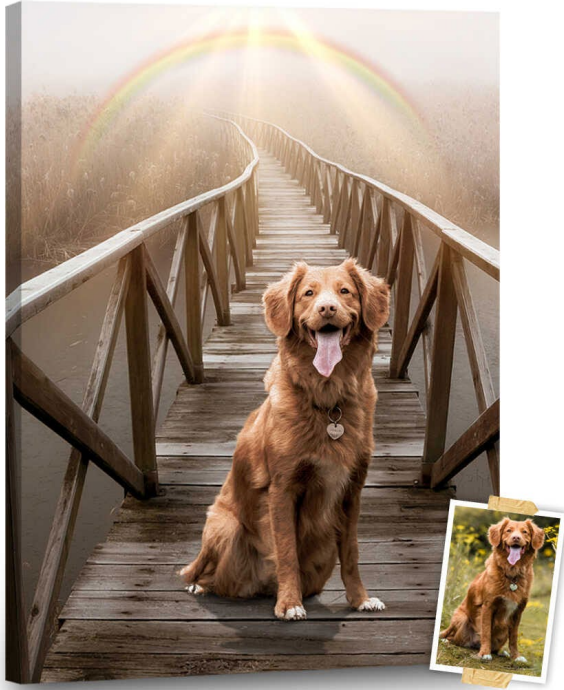
All guests using the park will have to register with our Foundation. We will be verifying liability insurance as well as all pets will need to be up to date on shots.

The Dog Park will feature the following:

- Telsa charging stations
- Restrooms
- Walking trails
- Dog wash



# MEMORIAL GARDENS AND RAINBOW BRIDGE



Construct a memorial bridge over the pond on the property which will be connected to the raised walking trails on the property.

The bridge will allow a space for people to clip their dogs collars to in memory of their beloved pet.

There will also be a memorial area on the other side of the bridge containing gardens, benches, and walking paths.





## RESCUE AND BOARDING FACILITY

Our on site rescue facility will be the home of the Make a Difference Dog Rescue, with aprox 55 kennels for the rescue and 20 boarding kennels that all proceeds will benefit the non profits. There will also be 3 self serve dog wash stations.





# THE LAYOUT

The Foundation will be the premiere Oakland County Dog destination.

- 4 acre dog park
- Raised walking trails
- Rescue Facility
- Boarding Facility
- Self Serve Dog Wash
- Memorial gardens



# THANK YOU

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# EDE PROPERTY

