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In 2060, I think there would be a big positive change in animal shelters like if we keep donating and help the Animal shelter, we would make a change!

But first of all, animals end up in Animal Shelters because owning an animal can involve amounts of money, realize how much training is involved and not willing to put hours to teach them what to do but instead decide to just not take this into account. Which makes them have behavioral issues and not take responsibility and instead get rid of them by 1. Abandoning them in the streets or 2, Putting them in Animals shelters.

There are approximately 13,600 animals shelter throughout the USA that takes about 7.6 million pets per year. And each year about $1 / 5$ million are euthanized but around 3.2 million animals are adopted each year!

When an animal doesn't get adopted within the 72 hours guideline, sick, aggressive, injured, or overpopulation then they euthanize the animal(s).

But in the future, there would be more volunteers that would train them, feed them, clean the cages, take care of them, tach them rules, boundaries, limitations, spending good quality time and loving them.

And maybe in the future more people can donate more money for more space and homes for that the pets could live in. Preventing overpopulation of pets which will decrease euthanizing pets.

As you know technology has revolutionary our life, and probably the Animal shelters will use technology for when the animal(s) is hungry, a machine can record when it's the appropriate time to feed the pet for that they won't starve of hunger, what type of food and flavor the dog likes, how many calories it needs, what can \& can't he eat and when the right food is ready, the worker would bring it right away to that specific pet. Also, the cages would be electronic and inside, it finds out the temperature and the type of environment they're used to for that they would be comfortable. And they would interact with other pets.

Also, there would be a interactive website where an online agency links people who want a pet to a pet. There would choose the type of pet you want and then it links you to a pet where you can play with, do tricks, etc. and if you would like to adopt one, it let's you see the information of the pet and local shelters.

Finally, if there is ever a pet that loss his owner, there's a app that would be called "Reunite" where Animal shelters recognizes your face to connect to your loss pet to reunite with their owners.

I hope the Animal Shelter would recognize euthanizing is not the solution and that people can stand up and help for the pets, that they're too, living beings. I hope that in 2060, they would take those and other ideas in consideration for that they would change the world!

