

Paws *for* Thought

Winter 2019



Zhoey saved her
feline friend, Percy!
Read how inside.



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Love between people and pets flows endlessly. So is true of wisdom originating with our Team and being **shared with partners across New Mexico.**

Three impactful examples of how our donor's support expands our reach begins with our 14th Annual New Mexico Humane Conference masterfully orchestrated by Ellen Schmidt, Sr. Director of Outreach & Volunteer Programs in August. Attendees from last year's 3-day conference represented **61 organizations from 41 communities in 12 states.**

This past March, we launched our **Pet Health Fair Teaching School** made possible by the Jeniam Foundation! Their investment enabled us to tailor our successful program and

to shepherd Valencia County & Las Vegas shelters how to offer affordable vaccinations & microchips, along with free pet supplies & behavior advice, to strengthen ties with pet owners in their communities.

Year-round, our Project Fetch Team partnered with **30 animal welfare organizations in 17 counties.** In addition to transferring in 1,700+ at-risk pets annually, giving each a second chance at happiness, our staff provides 1-on-1 mentorship on cleaning, vaccination & enrichment practices, and welcomes partners to tour our facilities to learn more, leading to more positive outcomes for homeless pets.

As we close out 2019 together, I hope you



know that the love and generosity flowing from your hearts is far-reaching and long-lasting; and, most importantly, your giving allows our Team to share their gifts with partners throughout our state, saving precious cats and dogs in your backyard & around New Mexico!

Thank you for helping us touch countless lives,

Donna M. Stumpf
Executive Director

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save 10,000 vulnerable pets this year.**





Julian and mom Tanya pose for a photo with dogs Lola & Sissy.

her name is LOLA she is a HERO

April 26, 2019, was a typical night for Tanya and her family. She put her son Julian and two dogs — Lola & Sissy — to bed, giving them all kisses. As she'd done a million times before, Tanya started a load of laundry and went to sleep.

Two-year-old Lola was restless throughout the night but, it wasn't until she began barking loudly and scratching her bedside that **Tanya knew something was**

really wrong. She got up to investigate.

"As I opened the bedroom door," Tanya says, "smoke filled the room. I could see it was already filling the house."

Terrified, Tanya ran to the source of the smoke. In the laundry room, she found the dryer up in flames. "I tried to put the fire out and couldn't," she says, "So I ran to my son's room and woke him up. I was yelling for

the dogs to follow me, but they were scared and wouldn't come."

Knowing she had to save her son, Tanya took Julian's hand and the two went outside. She'd planned to go back for her dogs, but the smoke had thickened, making breathing impossible.

Tanya made the heart-wrenching decision to leave Lola & Sissy's rescue to the fire department, and tearfully called 911 for help. The fire department arrived in the nick of time & rescued both dogs. Lola needed oxygen to restore her breathing, but she and Sissy were going to be okay.

"I am confident that if Lola hadn't woken me up when she did, we would have died in the fire," says Tanya. "She truly did save our lives."

that almost two years later, Lola would save theirs.



Lola saved our lives. She woke me up right in time to escape the fire.



— **Tanya**

"Without our home, or anything we own," Tanya says. "I'm still content because I have all three of my kids."

Nearly seven months after the fire, Lola, Tanya & their family are still waiting to move back home. Amidst repairs, Tanya recently took Julian, Sissy & Lola back to visit, unsure of what to expect. Lola confidently led the way



Julian & Lola nap together after being saved from the fire.

You made Lola's adoption from Animal Humane in the fall of 2017 possible. **By giving her a second chance the family knew they were saving the American Pit Bull Terrier's life.** They had no idea

running circles and rolling in the grass as she realized she was home again. **For every house you make a home, and every family you complete with your support, thank you.**



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WHY WE GIVE



*Maria Crill,
Milo & Luci*

Growing up, pets were not an option for my family. So, at the age of 20, I brought home my first dog. For the last 56 years dogs and cats have been a major part of my life. When my husband died, my Doberman, Akasan would cry with me and try to lick my tears. Currently, I have three rescue dogs, Dottie, Milo & Luci, that are the light of my life.

Several years ago, when I saw an attorney for estate planning, I wanted to give back to our furry faithful companions.

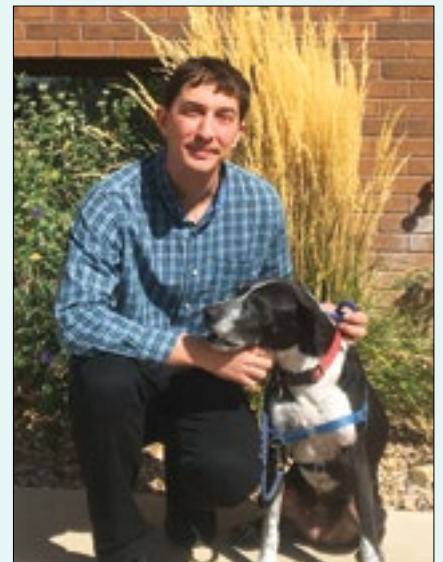
Including Animal Humane New Mexico in my will was the answer. They are a benevolent, caring organization that puts the welfare of animals first.

I'm a wildlife biologist and I love animals, dogs in particular. When I volunteered at Animal Humane New Mexico, it gave me a sense of purpose and inspired me to give back.

As I give to Animal Humane, I know that I'm giving to a good cause. Because I've previously worked alongside the staff & volunteers, I know how well the animals are cared for.

Being a Humane Hero monthly donor allows me to continue to invest in the organization during this stage in life when I'm too busy to contribute my time as a volunteer. By reading the stories of dogs & cats helped by Animal Humane in emails and newsletters, I see how my money makes a difference for these

pets, and that makes me feel very good.



*Aaftab Jain
& Lola*

To learn more about these programs contact our Donor Relations Team at 505.938.7938.

ZHOEY

donates blood
saves feline friend



Zhoey donated blood to save Percy's life!

One-year-old Zhoey came to us from a shelter in Farmington. The tuxedo cat's transfer through our Project Fetch program not only gave her a second chance, it also proved to be a life-saving move for a small, sick kitten named Percy.

Percy was found in the middle of Zuni Road in Albuquerque, just a short distance away from the hope and healing he would find at Animal Humane. Tiny & vulnerable, his eyes were badly infected. It was clear the poor baby, who weighed less than two pounds, couldn't see. **With your support, he received the love & care he desperately needed.**

Our Donor-subsidized Veterinary Clinic Team determined Percy's left eye needed to be removed.

And, the right side of his face was so swollen, we didn't know if Percy would ever see again. He spent days inside an incubator, as our Foster Care Team treated his wounds with eye drops, warm compresses & medications. Amazingly, the loving boy sought affection from our Team & gave it freely in return.

Gradually, his health improved. Then, to our surprise, Percy began tracking toys and pouncing. We quickly realized **Percy could see!**

When he reached his target weight, your generosity allowed us to perform surgery. During the operation, Percy needed a blood transfusion. Brave Zhoey, who had already traveled so far, was the perfect candidate to donate blood. She was a champion, calm and patient while our Clinic Team collected 5.5ml of her blood to share with Percy.

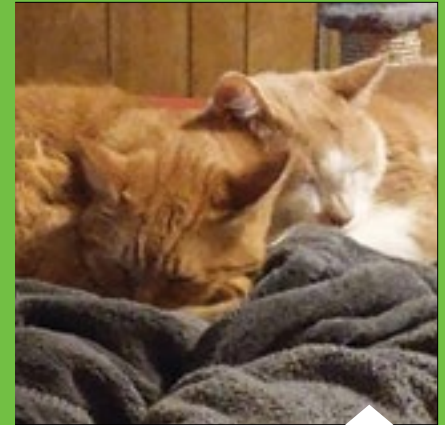
Zhoey's kennel card informed potential adopters that she had helped save Percy's life. She was adopted by her forever family the very same day Percy had his staples removed. Percy recovered under the care of a loving Foster Care family, who later adopted him.

By saving Zhoey's life, you made it possible for her to give Percy the support he needed. Because of you, not one, but two beautiful felines are enjoying their new families & homes filled with love.



Percy shortly after arrival & after adoption in his new home.

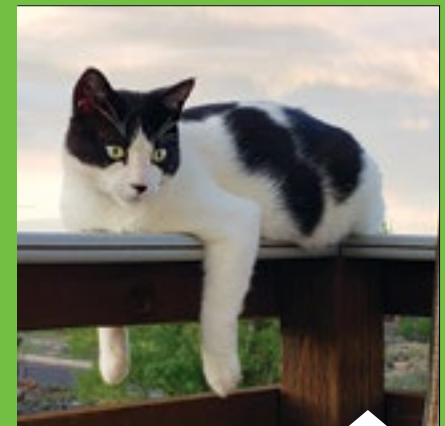
& PUPDATES CATCH-UPS



Pumpkin's made himself right at home. The cats are best friends and love playing & cuddling.



Max had great puppy training experience at The Center!



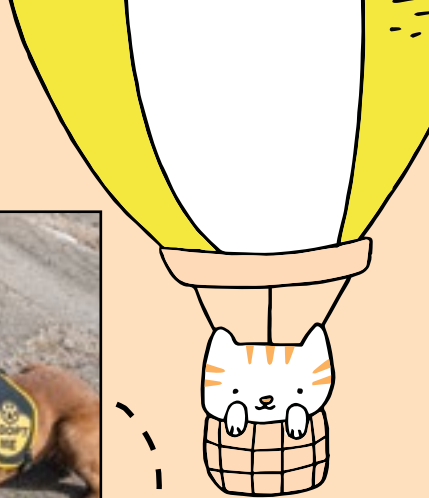
We've been together for over three years now. Ozzie is still full of love and shows it every day.

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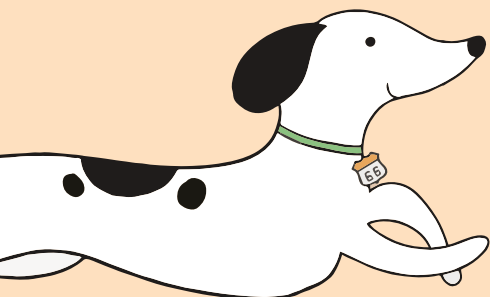


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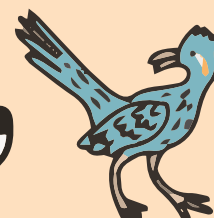


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FINISH



Sadie



My family's had dogs most of my life. These pets, like Sadie, give so much love & good feelings. I enjoy being with them.

- Vic S., Volunteer Dog Walker

Sebastian



Sebastian is an inspiration to all of us. Despite his circumstances, being attacked by a dog, he has refused to give up. He's such a good boy and loved by everyone.

- Amy C., Foster Care Attendant & Advisor

PAWSITIVE IMPACTS

OUR TEAM & VOLUNTEERS SHARE WHAT THEY ENJOY ABOUT WORKING WITH THEIR FAVORITE PETS

Seagrass
& Deb



Kittens are wonderful. They are like my grandchildren — I get my fix spending time with them then I go home to my calm, adult cats. They give us love & it's very rewarding.

- Deb. B., Volunteer Cat Cuddler

Chico



Walk in to see this guy at work at The Center and I know it's gonna be a good day! He's pretty much my favorite.

- Mariah T., Hospitality Attendant



Animal Humane has 11 sets of washers and dryers at our Main Campus. Our amazing Team & volunteers spend over 50 hours completing 40+ loads of laundry each day, keeping our facilities clean and pets comfortable.

EX-PURR-T ADVICE:

introducing kids to new pets

Welcoming a new pet into the home is an exciting experience for families! **Ellen Schmidt, CPDT-KA, KPA CTP**, Senior Director of our Learn Humane programs for youth, offers tips to set families up for success.

Create a Safe Space for All

Set up a safe, quiet resting spot for your new pet and help kids practice not disturbing your pet during rest time. This allows your pet to transition into your home and is a great way to teach kids compassionate boundaries.

Structure Play for Success

Always ensure an adult is present to supervise interactions between a pet and children, especially when a pet is new to your family. Discourage rough or hands-on play like chasing or wrestling and focus on toy play for cats (think wands, rolling balls) or fetch, family walks, or trick training for dogs.

Be a Tree

To help kids stay protected teach the "Be A Tree" game: if a dog's paws leave the ground or they are playing in a way the kids don't enjoy, be a tree: stand up straight with your "roots" (feet) planted, and your "branches" (arms) tucked in, then look at your roots and count in your head until your dog stops interacting. This teaches dogs that rough play makes the game end.

Students meeting Animal Humane Alum White Paw.



Save Hugs & Kisses for Others

It's not fun to hear, but most pets don't like hugs & kisses. This is especially true for a new pet who is still getting to know your family. To reinforce healthy behaviors, encourage kids to save hugs & kisses for stuffed animals or beloved human family members, instead of pets.

Make Training Fun for All

Use positive-reinforcement training techniques to teach your pet desired skills. For extra help try a class the whole family can attend — like those offered at The Center, which teach positive behaviors to strengthen bonds between pets and their people.

Come to our Kids & Pets Night at The Center: January 9th, 2020 from 6:00 pm – 7:30 pm to learn more about successfully structuring child/pet interactions. Details at www.trainplaystay.org



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