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Your Donations Go Farther on Nov. 28

In 2022, your generous donations allowed us to provide life-saving care and services for 1564 dogs and cats in Amador County! This year, our cat intake has skyrocketed due to the shutdown of services during COVID, veterinarian shortages and high costs. As of 10/1/2023, we have taken in 669 cats and kittens!

To help us continue our important work, please donate to A-PAL on Giving Tuesday, 11/28/2023. Amador Community Foundation will generously match a portion of your gift, so it is an opportunity to make your donation go farther.

HOW TO DONATE NOW:

Mail a check *DATED 11/28/2023, made payable to "Amador Community Foundation"* with A-PAL in the memo. The check must reach us *before 11/28/2023*. Please mail checks to A-PAL, 12360 Trade Center Dr. Jackson, CA 95642.

HOW TO DONATE ON GIVING TUESDAY, 11/28/2023:

- Donate online at giveamador.org (choose A-PAL as your charity)
- Drop off your donation for A-PAL 4pm-6:30pm at St. Katharine Drexel Parish, 11361 Prospect Drive, Jackson, CA.
- Text 44321 with APAL40 and follow the link to donate online.

Thank you for helping us to provide great care for the local animals in need!

NOVEMBER 28, 2023

GIVING TUESDAY



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To ensure the humane treatment of animals in the communities we serve.

GOALS

- To end euthanasia of homeless dogs and cats in Amador County
- To increase public awareness and acceptance of responsibility for animal welfare
- To place homeless animals in good homes through aggressive adoption and foster care programs
- To raise funds to finance spay/neuter programs in Amador County
- To end inhumane treatment of animals in Amador County
- To support legislation encouraging humane treatment of animals

Some ways you can help us help the animals of Amador County...

- Be sure that your pets are spayed/neutered and don't be a contributor to pet overpopulation
- Join A-PAL's Save the Kittens Team
- Volunteer as a foster family and care for kittens
- Adopt an A-PAL dog or kitten and give it a loving and lifelong home
- Remember A-PAL Humane Society in your will and life insurance policies
- Donate funds to A-PAL

A-PAL's accomplishments are the result of a group effort and would not be possible without our many animal-loving partners. Thank you!

Orphan Annie No More

Last Spring, a youngish Pitbull/mastiff mix came into the shelter as a stray. Unfortunately, she had heartworm disease, which causes damage to the heart, lungs and arteries and can seriously affect the dog's health if untreated. Other than having heartworm, the shelter staff determined that this dog (now named Annie) was a behaviorally and temperamentally adoptable dog. Staff also thought she would be able to withstand the long and difficult course of heartworm treatment.

Because the treatment is so tough, dogs with heartworm must be kept quiet and not get excited for the two months it takes to eradicate. Ideally, Annie would be fostered by a volunteer with no other dogs or pets. Since no volunteers were available, Annie went to stay at Twin Cedar K9, Margé Blair's training facility, while she received treatment.

Annie tolerated her treatment well during her stay at Twin Cedar K9, and at the end of two months there, she came back to the shelter to find her forever home.

This year we restarted our Adoption Outreach events at various county locations. While at the Tractor Supply adoption event, Annie was adopted by Tractor Supply manager Katie.

Annie quickly became a member of the family, and they all LOVE her. We are so happy Annie is living her best life!



Cat-astrophe

After more than 30 years of cat intake numbers going down, A-PAL is now seeing a dramatic increase in the number of cats and kittens coming to us. We attribute this to COVID 19 and the stopping of spay/neuter surgeries, the nationwide shortage of veterinarians and the high cost of veterinarian services.

Cats are far too good at reproducing with the ability to produce 3 litters of 6 kittens each in a year. Those kittens will become sexually mature and able to produce kittens at about 6 months of age.

So many of the kittens we are getting are from feral mothers or strays. Kind people take in the kittens and often even foster and tame them and then need a place for them to go. What we need most is for the mother cat to be spayed and we are happy to help residents by loaning traps.



We also ask that people who feed these cats understand that they will breed. A-PAL has a FREE FERAL CAT SPAY/NEUTER PROGRAM! Both male and female cats need to be “fixed”. Males will wander and fight and spread disease if not neutered. When neutered, they calm down and the bad behaviors like fighting and spraying all go away.

A-PAL LOVES KITTENS!!! We took in this adorable box of kittens, but at one time we had over 170 cats and kittens in care which is a huge strain on our budget, our staff and our great crew of caring volunteers.

Please call us at 209-223-0410 if you need assistance or visit pawspartners.org



Jack of Hearts

Jack, a tiny black kitten came to A-PAL with a horribly ruptured eye. When Jackson Creek Veterinarian, Dr. Bob Yack, saw a photo of him, he told us he would do surgery immediately. Jack had gone to seek help from a kind person who was feeding stray cats. He had a special, loving personality and was quickly adopted once healed.



A-PAL could not have surgeries like this done to save little lives without support from generous donors like you. THANK YOU!

Santa's excited to see all the animals this year to hear how nice (and maybe a little naughty) they've been! Make sure to stop by and get your Christmas photo card with your pets and Santa at this special fundraising event.



SANTA PAWS

December 2, 10am-4pm
12360 Trade Center Drive in Jackson



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Zeke's Second Chance

Zeke's story is a sad one with a very happy ending. Zeke's first 4 or 5 years were happy ones. He was in a loving home until his owner died suddenly and he was left all alone for awhile. His owner's family couldn't take Zeke, so he was surrendered to the Calaveras County shelter. He was very sad there, even though he was much loved by the staff. When Margé Blair's fractured clavicle healed enough to work with big dogs again, she took him into her Second Chance program. Everyone who worked with him at Twin Cedar K9 fell in love with him. After 5 weeks of training there, he got really lucky. One of Marge's clients told some friends about Zeke and they were very interested. A 91 year old woman who used to raise German Shepherds and her daughter came to meet him and fell in love and took him home. It was a match made in heaven!





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80's Bash Raises Funds

Our 80'S BASH held on 9/30/2023 was a fun and successful event. 200 animal loving supporters of A-PAL Humane Society and Tri County Wildlife Care attended to celebrate rescue. Friends, coworkers, donors and volunteers joined together to eat a great dinner and participate in a raffle and auctions of amazing donated items to raise funds to save more lives.

Over \$25,000 was raised which will help many, many animals get a second chance at life. Both A-PAL Humane Society and Tri County Wildlife Care are so grateful for the amazing support of our community!



A Special Cat Gets Special Surgery

YOUR donations to A-PAL Humane Society help to fund surgeries to make cats and dogs more adoptable. Oscar had a condition called Entropion eyes. This means that the eyelids are turned inwards with eyelashes scratching the eyeballs. Despite this miserable condition, Oscar the cat was just as sweet as he could be even with the constant pain he must have felt. Dr. Bob Yack was able to correct this condition for Oscar so that he could find his forever home. Pictures of Oscar show the success of this surgery and his new owners tell us that Oscar has a terrific personality and they feel very lucky to have him. YOU helped give this adorable cat a second chance at a happy life.





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