

SCOOP

WINTER 2020



Sunny is now living her best life! She spends her days playing peek-a-boo with a pig on her family's farm, lounging in the sun with a doggie friend, and getting endless cuddle time with her adopters, the Altshuler family. While you might say Sunny's life is now picture perfect, her future wasn't always so certain.

Sunny and her two siblings arrived at the Pasadena Humane Society & SPCA (PHS) in bad shape. The litter of puppies were lethargic and quickly fading. Our medical team recognized these all too common symptoms and confirmed that the puppies were suffering from parvo, a deadly virus that mainly affects unvaccinated puppies.

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The puppies were transferred to our new Intensive Care Unit (ICU), where they received continuous supportive care. After a few weeks of treatment, all three puppies successfully overcame the life-threatening virus.

Since opening in 2019, our ICU has been a temporary home for hundreds of our shelter animals in desperate need of medical attention. Whether it's fighting off a life-threatening illness or recovering from injury, these pets now have a safe place to heal.

"Due to the contagious and fatal nature of parvovirus, it's not always appropriate to treat it in a shelter environment without proper housing, staffing, knowledge or training," says PHS Chief Veterinarian, Dr. Mat Toscano. "And this is why it is so inspiring that PHS has committed to all of the above. The future of PHS is as bright as Sunny's new life."

It's hard to imagine Sunny's fate if she hadn't found herself in the care of the dedicated PHS medical team. The good news is, we don't have to. **Sunny is now a healthy, happy puppy with a full life ahead of her.**

Letter from the President/CEO

Dear Friends,

With Valentine's Day right around the corner, love is in the air. In preparation for a very busy kitten season to come, we're hosting a special kitten foster event on Valentine's weekend with Hannah Shaw, the "Kitten Lady!" Hannah's workshop is terrific for anyone who loves kittens and has thought about becoming a foster.

Thanks to your support, we are able to provide a safe, nurturing environment for animals in need. Still, the shelter can be stressful, and it's no substitute for a real home. That's why our foster programs are so important. Whether it's caring for young kittens in the first weeks of life or getting stressed dogs out of the shelter for a few hours a day on a field trip, fostering is one of the best ways we can provide loving care to shelter animals.

This Valentine's Day, consider taking a dog out on a foster field trip, or even a sleepover. This small gesture can mean a world of good for pets in need. And the unconditional love you will receive in return is our Valentine to you.

With appreciation,



Dia DuVernet
President & CEO
Pasadena Humane Society & SPCA



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Leaving a Legacy for the Love of Animals



Kira and Brian Deputy first connected with the Pasadena Humane Society & SPCA (PHS) in 1993 when they adopted their dog, Clara, a Chow Chow/retriever mix. Soon after, Kira began volunteering for the shelter, eventually joining the Pasadena Animal League (PAL), PHS' former all-volunteer auxiliary. Brian also came along for the ride, lending

his graphic design talents and work connections to the shelter's fundraising efforts. As the two became more involved with our organization, they made the important decision to name PHS in their estate plans.

"Because we don't have children, we felt that it made a lot of sense to leave a portion of our estate to a cause with which we were associated and cared deeply about," Kira explained. "At the time we were doing our trust, we had already been involved with the Pasadena Humane Society for several years, so it was an easy decision."

Their love of animals is evident: Kira and Brian went on to adopt a second dog from PHS — Luigi, a multi-poo — and two pups from an outside rescue group PHS worked with — Argyle, a Tibetan terrier mix, and Pippy, a Lhasa Apso/Shih Tzu mix. Pippy and Luigi are part of the family still.

Even though the couple has since moved out of Southern California, they remain deeply committed to our mission and the welfare of the over 12,000 animals we take in every year. They also look back on their work with PAL as one of the happiest, most meaningful times of their lives.

"We hope this gift, whatever size it winds up being, will help PHS continue to help animals in need. We would like to know that our money helped save an animal's life, alleviate its suffering, and find it a forever home," said Kira. "And I would say to anyone considering leaving a bequest to PHS that if it is important to you today to help animals in need, think how nice it will be to be able to do it after you are gone!"

To learn more about joining the PHS Legacy Society, contact Mia Dunn, Director of Development, at 626.792.7151 ext. 167 or mdunn@pasadenahumane.org. Or visit pasadenahumane.org/giftlegacy.

Love CONNECTIONS



Share The Love With A Heart Of Gold

Honor a beloved family member or pet while helping the animals at the Pasadena Humane Society & SPCA with our new **HEART OF GOLD KENNEL PLAQUES**.

Crafted from sturdy, scratch resistant laminate, each gold-colored heart measures four inches and can be inscribed with up to three lines of text (approximately 8-10 characters each line).

Available for a \$200 donation, these plaques can be installed in our dog or cat kennels for a period of one year, after which you can opt to renew your plaque or take it home.

For more information, please contact **Melissa Fuentes, Director of Annual Giving**, at 626.792.7151, ext. 130 or mfuentes@pasadenahumane.org



Good News 2019 Stats



15

Puppies Saved from Parvo



2,061

Underaged Kittens Saved



95,760

Meals Served at the Food Bank



5,107

Pets Adopted



69%

Foster Increase

Calendar of Events

FEB PET CPR & FIRST AID WORKSHOP

8 February 8
10:00 a.m. to 12:00 p.m.

Be prepared! This motto applies to animals just as it does to people. What better way to be prepared than to learn the latest techniques in Pet CPR and First Aid.

This workshop will be led by a licensed professional from VCA Animal Hospitals.

Workshop fee is \$85 per person. Each participant will receive a certificate.

FEB VALENTINE'S WEEKEND OF LOVE

14 February 14 - February 16

Join us in the Neely Cat Center on Friday, February 14 from 6 p.m. to 8 p.m. for The PHS After Dark: Purr-fect Match speed dating adoption event.

- The always inspiring Kitten Lady will be at PHS again on Saturday, February 15, for a kitten care workshop.
- And, if that wasn't enough, the adoption fees for cats will be just \$14 all weekend long.

FEB COYOTE SAFETY WORKSHOP

23 Sunday, February 23
1:30 p.m. to 2:30 p.m.

14 Saturday, March 7
1:30 p.m. to 2:30 p.m.

Concerned about neighborhood coyotes? Join one of our upcoming Coyote Safety Workshops! In this interactive workshop, our expert Wildlife Manager will share

information about the urban coyote, demonstrate humane hazing techniques, and get you involved in a variety of activities so that you can peacefully — and safely — coexist with coyotes. Kids and families are welcome!

MAR DOG MASSAGE WORKSHOP

14 Saturday, March 14
12:00 p.m. to 2:00 p.m.

Boost your dog's mental and physical health with massage! In this two-hour workshop, dog parents will learn massaging techniques, acupressure points and gentle stretching exercises for dogs.

- This workshop will be led by Amber Lockspeiser, CMAT. We'll be using plush dogs for this workshop.

Please leave your pets at home.

APR YAPPY HOUR

2 Thursday, April 2
6:00 p.m. to 9:00 p.m.

Rose City Pizza in Rosemead hosts Yappy Hour! Enjoy delicious food and drink and treat your dog to one of their special puppy pizzas. Rose City Pizza is located at 3588 Rosemead Boulevard in Rosemead.

APR CATURDAY SPEAKER SERIES & BINGO

25 Saturday, April 25
11:30 a.m. to 2:30 p.m.

Do you love cats? Celebrate Caturday with us on Saturday, April 25.

- Cat behavior expert Dr. Mikel Delgado will present "The

Science of a Happy Cat" followed by an audience Q&A.
11:30 a.m. to 1:00 p.m.

- Try your luck at Cat Man Bingo! hosted by the Cat Man of West Oakland.

1:30 p.m. to 2:30 p.m.

APR GOLF TOURNAMENT

27 Monday, April 27
9:00 a.m. to 7:00 p.m.

Tickets are now on sale for our 21st annual Doglegs, Birdies, & Eagles golf tournament dinner at Annandale Golf Club in Pasadena. Cocktails and silent auction start at 3:30 p.m., followed by dinner at 5 p.m. Tickets are \$150 each. To purchase, please visit pasadenahumane.org/golf or call 626.792.7151 ext. 284.

SAN MARINO MOTOR CLASSIC

JUN 13 Saturday, June 13
9:00 a.m. to 3:00 p.m.

Calling all car lovers! Help the animals at the Pasadena Humane Society & SPCA by purchasing tickets to the San Marino Motor Classic at Lacy Park in San Marino. Stroll among more than 300 vintage, mint-condition cars. Your dogs are welcome on-leash at this family friendly event. Tickets are \$35 each (children 12 and under are free) and are available for purchase at the shelter until Saturday, June 13. To purchase tickets online, please visit pasadenahumane.org/carshow through June 6th.

Location

361 S. Raymond Avenue
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The Pasadena Humane Society & SPCA is a donor-supported, nonprofit organization that provides animal care and services for homeless and owned animals in the Greater Los Angeles Area. The organization is dedicated to promoting humane treatment and compassion and care for all animals. The animals in its care come from 11 animal control contract cities, as well as partner shelters across the Los Angeles area and beyond. The Pasadena Humane Society & SPCA also offers life-saving programs and services to the community that support the human-animal bond and keep pets in homes. To learn more, visit pasadenahumane.org.



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