



PASADENA HUMANE

SCOOP

MAY 2023

THREE-MONTH-OLD PUPPY LEFT TIED TO THE SHELTER GATE Your support gave her a second chance at a happy life

On the day before Christmas, a Pasadena Humane staff member made a heartbreaking discovery. **A puppy had been tightly tied to a shelter gate with a “leash” made from a computer cable.** The terrified puppy was cut free and quickly rushed to our veterinary clinic. Thankfully, she had not suffered any physical injuries.

Word about the abandoned puppy spread quickly, and soon a kind foster parent opened her home to this sweet girl. After all the puppy had been through, the foster did not want her to spend Christmas at the shelter. She offered to take the puppy in for a few days to give her a loving home for the holidays.

Those few days were all it took for the scared, shy puppy to begin coming out of her shell. She befriended the household cat and started to explore her new surroundings.

Each day brought more progress, and soon it became abundantly clear to her foster mom that this pup was there to stay. She was so full of mischief that her foster mom named her Sassy.

“I felt so badly for her, being abandoned like that. That’s how it started, anyway,” her foster turned adopter said. “Then I began to realize that she filled a hole that I had felt since my older dog passed a year before. Sassy was the Christmas present I hadn’t known I needed.”

Thanks to you, we were there for Sassy when she needed us most. Because of your generosity, Sassy now lives in a loving home where she’ll never have to worry about being abandoned again.





BABY SQUIRRELS SUCCESSFULLY REUNITE WITH THEIR MOTHER

It's officially spring, which means our Wildlife Helpline is busy answering calls about baby squirrels, opossums and birds. Some baby wildlife you see in your yard may be truly orphaned and will need to come into our Sandra J. Goodspeed Wildlife Center, while others may have a mother nearby and just need a little help finding her. After all, there's no substitute for a mother's care!

So, when a good Samaritan contacted us about three baby squirrels that had fallen from their nest during a windstorm, our wildlife team gave them some helpful tips to reunite the squirrels with their mom. The good Samaritan gently placed the baby squirrels in a hat to create a makeshift nest and played baby squirrel sounds through their phone. Finally, the mother squirrel appeared! She carefully picked up each of her babies in her mouth and carried them to safety, one by one.

We are incredibly thankful for our community heroes who are helping to save wildlife in their own backyards!

DEAR FRIEND,

Because of loyal supporters like you, we proudly celebrate our 120th anniversary this year. Since 1903, Pasadena Humane has provided compassion and care to our community's most vulnerable animals.

Our organization has a long and rich history with deep roots in the communities we serve. We were originally incorporated in 1903 as The Pasadena Humane Society for the Prevention of Cruelty to Children and Dumb Animals, caring primarily for orphaned children and working animals like horses. Over the years, our focus shifted to caring for companion animals and wildlife to best meet our community's needs.

Today, we continue to lead the way by providing essential lifesaving programs and services for animals and the people who love them. Whether you are looking to adopt a pet, volunteer your time, or support us with a donation, we are and will remain your humane society.

Thanks to animal lovers like you, Pasadena Humane has always been more than a shelter. We are part of the fabric of our beloved community and, with your generosity, will continue to be for the decades to come.

With gratitude,

DIA DuVERNET
President & CEO
Pasadena Humane

**THREE BABY
SQUIRRELS**
wait to be reunited
with their mother



MAMA SQUIRREL
finds her babies and
takes them to safety





BIG MAC before

BIG MAC GETS A FRESH START

A once homeless cat is lovin' life in the new home you helped provide

Your support gives lifesaving second chances to animals like Big Mac, who arrived at Pasadena Humane in need of extra love and care. Big Mac came to us with multiple medical issues. After a careful examination, we found that he was suffering from an immunodeficiency virus, making it hard for his body to fight off infections. Additionally, poor Big Mac had a large, painful abscess near his front leg and infections in both his ears and eyes.

Thanks to you, we had the resources to give Big Mac the lifesaving medical care that he needed. Our skilled veterinary team stitched up his wounds, and Big Mac was provided with the necessary medications and fluids that he needed to fight off his infections. Despite his troubles, he was a sweet cat who loved getting attention and meeting new people.

Big Mac was given the fresh start he deserved. He was soon adopted into a wonderful home where he will now spend the rest of his life in comfort. His adopter tells us, "Big Mac has been an absolute beacon of joy in our lives. We cannot imagine life without him, and if we are lucky, we look forward to the many years ahead of us all together." **Big Mac will only know love and happiness moving forward because of your support.**



BIG MAC now

SHELTER DOGS ENJOY A DAY OF ADVENTURE

Thanks to you, the Foster Field Trip program helps dogs find loving homes

At Pasadena Humane, we are always looking for innovative ways to keep the animals in our care healthy and happy while they wait to be adopted. **With your support, we created the Foster Field Trip program for shelter dogs.**

Powered by volunteers, the Foster Field Trip program offers dogs the opportunity to go on an adventure and get a much-needed break from the kennel. Volunteers are provided with a kit containing everything they'll need for the day — a leash, harness, water bowl, treats, toys, and more!

One of the Foster Field Trip volunteers, Shelley Powsner, likes to take the dogs hiking in the Arroyo with her husband. "We make a fun day of it," says Shelley. "We take the dog on a hike, then back to our house for a little break and to let the dog relax. We also love talking to people we meet about the dog."

Upon returning to the shelter at the end of a field trip, each volunteer fills out a questionnaire noting how the dog did overall and how they interacted with any new people, kids, or other dogs and their overall experience. That information is passed on to our adoption team, who use it to help find a great new home for the dog.

The Foster Field Trip program is open to foster and dog-walking volunteers. To sign up, visit pasadenahumane.org/foster.



COFFEE BEAN loved exploring new places on his Foster Field Trip!

CHIP IN “FORE” THE ANIMALS

Save the date for our **24th annual Doglegs, Birdies & Eagles golf tournament and dinner on Monday, June 26**, at Oakmont Country Club in Glendale.

Foursomes are still available, but you don't have to be a golf pro to participate. Tickets are also on sale for our cocktail “par-tee,” auction, and celebration dinner. All proceeds support a variety of programs and services for animals and the people who love them.

You can also purchase raffle tickets for a chance to win a portion of the pot and \$250 in instant-win scratch-off lottery tickets.

Fetch the details at pasadenahumane.org/golf.



SAN MARINO MOTOR CLASSIC RETURNS

Tickets are now on sale for the **2023 San Marino Motor Classic on Sunday, August 27**, at Lacy Park in San Marino. Take a sun-dappled stroll among more than 400 mint-condition cars, enjoy lunch from a variety of food trucks, and shop along the midway for unique automotive-themed gifts. Proceeds from this popular event support Pasadena Humane and other local non-profits. **Tickets can be purchased at sanmarinomotorclassic.com.**



**save
THE DATE**

**JUNE 1-
JULY 31**

**2024 CALENDAR
PHOTO CONTEST**

Your pet could be a star!

events
CALENDAR



For a full list of events, visit pasadenahumane.org/events.

Pasadena Humane is more than an animal shelter; we are a community-supported animal resource center providing compassion and care for all animals. Since 1903, Pasadena Humane has offered lifesaving programs and services for animals and the people who love them in the Greater Los Angeles Area. At our Pasadena campus, we provide shelter, dedicated care and new beginnings for thousands of our community's most vulnerable animals every year. In addition to pet adoptions and foster, we focus on programs and services aimed at helping people care for and keep their pets, such as free and low-cost spay/neuter and vaccines, a pet food bank, and an animal support call center. In 2022, Pasadena Humane helped nearly 40,000 animals through adoptions, wildlife rehabilitation, lost & found, veterinary services, and surrender prevention assistance. To learn more, visit pasadenahumane.org.



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