



Dear Friends,

We feel very fortunate to have so many foster homes, volunteers, donors and businesses that believe in our grassroots efforts to save homeless dogs & cats and pursue the answer to overpopulation through aggressive, high volume spay/neuter.

We dream of the day that we go out of business because the county tax funded shelters can handle the numbers of homeless dogs/cats and there is enough education and support to assist those in need of low cost spay/neuter.

You saved Saylor, Mrs Flores and every dog/cat that come through our doors. You are part of all the spays/neuters we do in rural counties every week. You are the person behind the scenes in every single happy ending & happily every after picture. Thank you for being part of our team.



Put A Little Love In Your Heart

We are thrilled to join Byers Airport Subaru for the heart warming Share The Love Season. For every new Subaru sold/leased, we are the local charity that buyers can select for a \$250 donation. See our Facebook page for Share The Love videos by our foster families and supporters! Please post your "Put a little love in your heart" video and we will share it. Thank you Byers Airport !



## How OUR Village Saves a Dog



The good samaritan that spotted her at the abandoned home and took the time to call the shelter to alert them to the situation.



The shelter staff who cared for Saylor and placed an SOS to rescue this girl was a special needs pooch.



Fellow Rescuer Becki Kelso picked up Saylor from the shelter and transported her to our office.



Lindsey & Pet Palace Airport Staff for boarding & bathing services. And of course the colossal TLC.



MedVet & Dr Barnhart in particular, assisted with leg saving surgery. Saylor, so named because inexplicitly, she was found wearing a life vest infested with bugs.



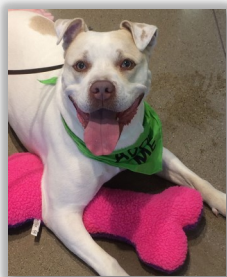
Fran Blachman for stepping in to be Saylor's Foster Mom. This involved a lot of vet visits & rehab work. We couldn't have done it without Fran.



With a loving look to her new Dad Doug, this is Saylor's happily ever after. Thank you for adopting her Doug. Thank you to our village.

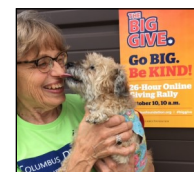
## Well Trained Girl Looking for Her Forever Home

Welcome to the Thunder Dome! Like her actress namesake, **Charlize** is a striking blond beauty, fierce competitor, and loyal defender. Not your momma's teacup poodle!!! She is housebroken, obedience trained, and an agility expert who qualified in 14 of 16 events in her first two competitions. She loves to play, does many tricks like; sit pretty, play dead, and pray – and can be left home alone for 8-10 hours without crating. She walks and runs very well on leash, but like her actress sister, Charlize is strong and can pull hard. She's best suited for a starring role in a solo pet, adult-only home with strong lead parents. If you are looking for a low maintenance pooch, Charlize could be your girl.



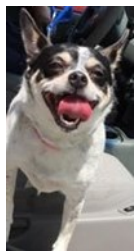
## The Big Give

Thank you to our Big Give donors. We had our best Big Give ever, receiving \$11,600. Special thanks to Linda & Michael Stickney, Laura Dehlendorf & Jim Crane, and Mr & Mrs Ron Wilson. And colossal thank you to The Columbus Foundation and all the sponsors for the opportunity and for introducing us to many new friends.





Jack Russell, Jasmine  
3 yrs, relatively laid back, a sweet little girl, best in home with older kids because of her strong personality and sometimes Jack Russell attitude, loves to go for walks and is content to spend evenings sitting on the sofa beside her person, Jasmine will do best as an only dog because she loves being the queen of her domain



Rat Terrier Mix, Katie  
female, 7yrs, 18lbs good natured, very sweet, happy go lucky, has a lot of pep in her step, polite, great on leash, does great with other dogs, an easy pooch



Chloe, female, 4yrs, a pretty quiet girl that is a nice mix of independent but likes to have her time/attention with you



Fencie, male, shy little boy, likes to play w/ look a like office kitty named Larry, loves to play on our jungle gym and explore like a typical kitty, sweet w/ all dogs and cats



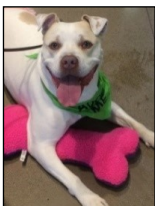
Chia Mix, Marin  
female, 3yrs, 10lbs, came from a high volume breeder so learning what normal is, will need at least one other dog in the home to best adjust, Marin is awesome w/ dogs, she loves to play chase, you can see the pure happiness in her bounce, she will take time to adjust, wants to interact w/ her humans but hesitant, she is a typical commercial breeder dog, very stiff when held, frightened of quick movements, loud noises, best in adult home, fenced yard



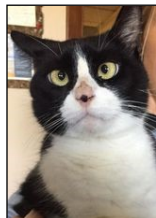
Ripley, 3yrs, the calmest kitty ever, found fending for herself on the streets, gives the dogs the business to back off if they get too close, but is a low key kitty, loves her belly rubbed, loves being near her person, FIV+



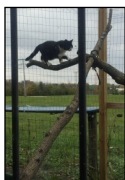
Henry, 6 months, *THE* most playful kitty on the planet, this little guy loves to explore, play w/ any of the cats in our office, chase dust balls across the room, a fun boy to have around, good w/ dogs



Pit Mix,  
Charlize, 3yrs, 65lbs, a great dog, loves to work, knows agility, has a lot of energy when training, but very calm and well-behaved in the house, doesn't need crated and a baby gate leaning across the doorway is all that is needed to confine her, knows a lots of tricks, is basic obedience trained



Simon, our sweet little crossed eyed boy is such a nice kitty, his vision is impaired but he gets around well and even climbs in our cat jungle gym, declawed, good w/ cats/dogs



Harry, 10yrs, although this boy was a street kitty for some time, he is very sweet and gentle with humans, he's low key and loves to be made over, FIV+



Shirley, 5yrs, beautiful eyes, quiet wall flower, Shirley is just a nice cat, low key, loves attention but independent too, she is as solid grey as you have ever seen a cat be, does well w/ dogs



Barry  
male, 5 yrs, independent, likes to spend time in outside cat house, likes kittens but may be best as an only cat



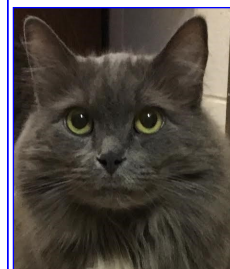
Mix, Pascal 20lbs, male, shy, great w/ dogs, loves to play/run w/ his foster brother, still learning the sites/sounds of a regular home



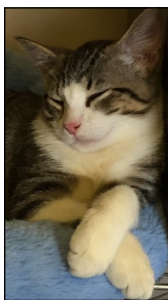
Garfunkel, 6yrs, super nice, he lounges most of the time, has a gentle personality, likes to be touched, does well with dogs & cats



Stacey, 10yrs, declawed, this cat is fabulous, friendly, loves to be near her person, low key, FIV+



Smoke, male, 4yrs, low key boy that was living on the street, he really warms up once he knows you, loves gentle attention



Shandalay,  
female, 4 months, so much personality in this little body, NEEDS a person to love, WANTS a person to love, LOVES to LOVE, a bit of a needy girl !



Manson, male,  
5yrs, this once office lurker let us catch him, he needs a slow intro but craves human touch & interaction



Larry, male, 5 yr low key, very loving, easy going and does great w/ other cats & dogs, loves to cuddle,

**Please post or share this page to help them find a home.**

**Vaccine Clinic, Low Cost**

1st Saturday of the month

Walk-In  
10am-1pm

Cash Only

Se Habla Espanol

All pets must be spayed/neutered to receive services



**COLUMBUS DOG CONNECTION** Ohio Spay/Neuter Priority

2761 Johnstown Rd Columbus, OH 43219 614-471-9000

**Adoption Event**

Visit with Pure & Mixed Breed Shelter & Rescue Dogs / Puppies




Save a Life Save \$



**@ The Franklin County Dog Shelter**

1st & 3rd Sundays Monthly - 12-2 pm - Rain/Shine  
Off Morse Rd Behind Menards - 4340 Tamarack Blvd

## COLUMBUS DOG CONNECTION THANK YOU'S

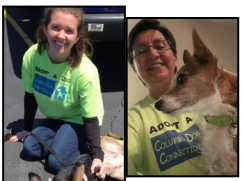
Our deepest gratitude to Joyce & Bill for their unwavering support & limitless kindness. There isn't a thank you big enough to express our gratitude or count how many lives Joyce & Bill have touched.

Our Foster Families Who Save Lives \* Hague Water

Dr Kristy Clay \* Dr Joy Davidson \* Dr Molly McLeod \* Dr Jessica Shelby \* Dr Tiffany Lane  
 Pet Palace \* The Doggy Den \* Susan Powell \* Bexley Animal Hosp \* The Hildreth Foundation  
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### Our Rescue & Shelter Partners

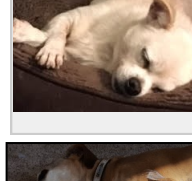
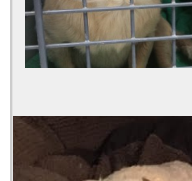
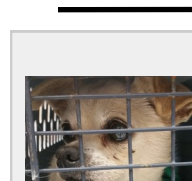
Hospets \* Columbus Humane \* Citizens for Humane Action  
 Ohio Wildlife Center \* Franklin Co Dog Shelter \* Pike Pet Pals  
 Pet Orphanage \* Charlie's Wish Rescue \* SNAP Program \* DASH Animal Rescue  
 Pawsitive Warriors \* Clarke Co Spay/Neuter Clinics \* Cat Welfare Association  
 King Hands For Paws \* Shelby Co Animal Shelter \* Ohio Pet Plate Fund



PetPeople



The Doggy Den



ANIMAL CARE EXPO



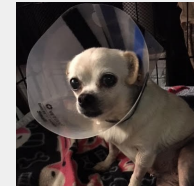
City Paws



**Mrs Flores** This sweet senior girl was hit by a car and taken to a rural shelter where she sat with serious injuries left untreated.

We could not resist her sweet little face and quickly organized a transport for her to our vet and then on to MedVet where they performed two surgeries for fractures to her hips.

She was a real trouper through the recovery and is now running and playing. She is friendly and will make a great addition to any family.

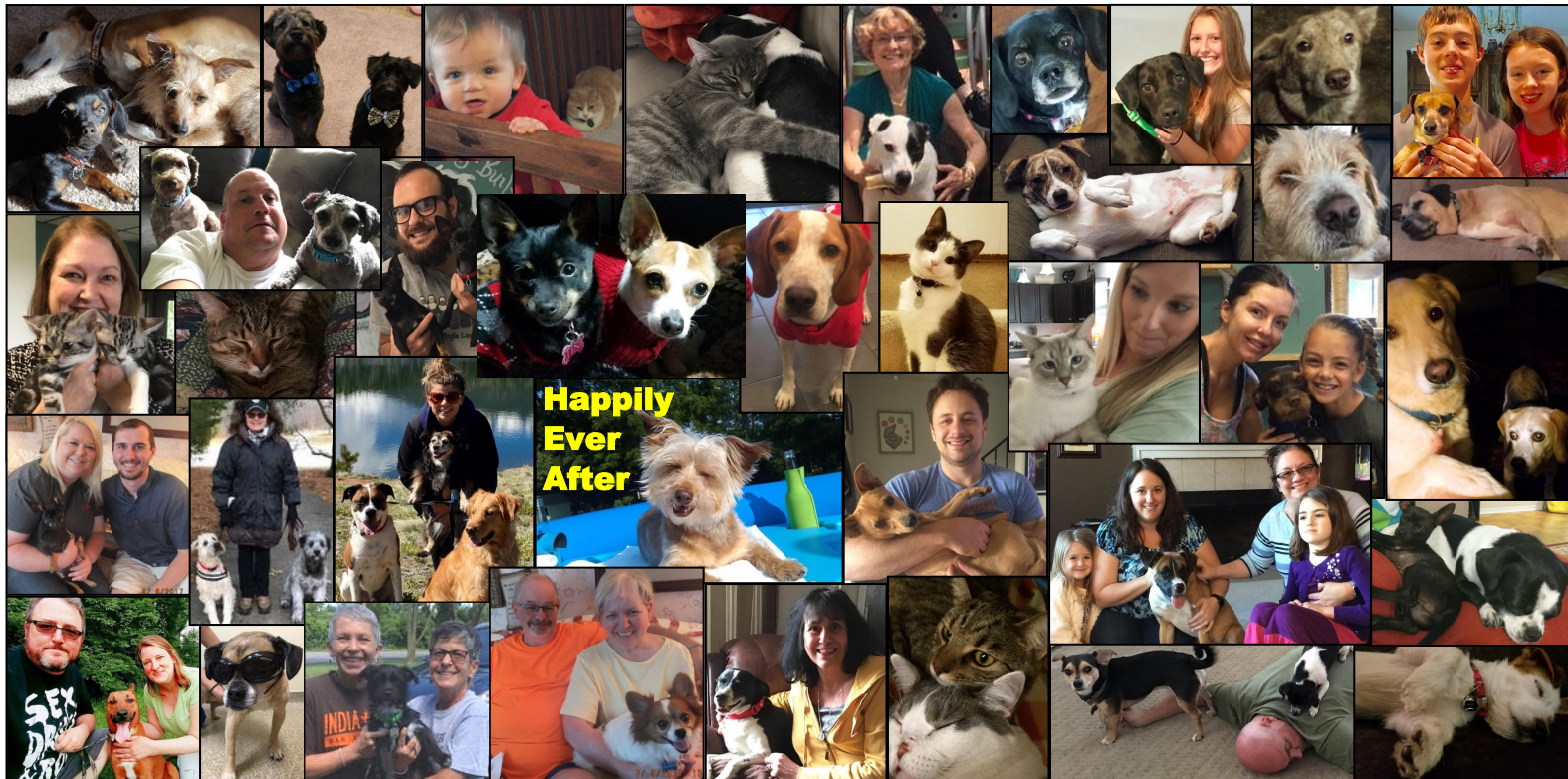


### Facebook Fail

Miller was 13 years old when listed on FB as a giveaway. His owner was moving and no longer had time for him. He'd had him since he was a baby. Who could do this, we thought.

As fate would have it, the following day he was surrendered to his boarding facility. We were informed he spent a lot of time there. We picked him up and off to grooming and vetting he went. We soon found out he had Cushings disease, a condition that requires strict monitoring and costly treatment. He was placed in foster care with a foster mom determined to give him the best final months, year of his life.

We are happy to report he goes everywhere with his foster family and recently celebrated his 14th birthday with foster sister, Mildred, and foster mom, Lindsey. Yay for Miller! Thank you Lindsey.



Happily Ever After



Jacquie Mahan and her team of helpers clean, organize and donate to help our cause. Thank you Donovan, Lincoln and Lowen.



Staff from Scioto Energy & Extricity spent an afternoon with us building elevated dog beds. We have given the beds to rural shelters in Ohio.

We typically don't accept owner surrenders, but this one was different. Living in a van with 2 adults and a baby, Marlene came to us barely able to walk because of matting. We immediately shaved her down to find urine burns from the mats in which maggots had developed. She had many medical issues but this 17 year old girl lived her remaining months with foster Mom, Judy. Marlene had a spunky spirit for an old gal.



Marlene

Thank you Tricia McCrory and Java Central Coffee House for your delicious fundraiser. More than \$500 was raised to help us spay/neuter pets!



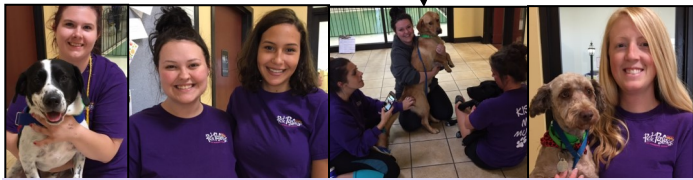
Pet Palace Top Dogs Lora & Claire, two of the best in the business. The staff, below, makes this day care superior! These ladies are an extension of our foster team.



Coaches Chili Cook-off raised over \$1,200 for us. Pictured are Ed Cherrick & Benny Leonard with Kelly, Laura, Kellie & Charlize.



Thanks to Sky Dogs and Allison for the training and agility opportunities. Visit SkyDogs.net for a great training facility.



Jessica Erica, Kennedy Steph, Erica, Lindsey Ashley

### Vaccine Clinic Update

Our monthly vaccine clinic has served over 6500 patients in the last 5 years. This wonderful low cost service is available for spayed/neutered pets only. It is our way of giving back to the community that practices responsible ownership. It is almost entirely operated by volunteers and attendance by our community continues to increase.



We had a tag team of volunteers and donors that contributed to building our cat jungle gym. Thanks to the Clyde R Fobes Fund for sponsoring supplies. Thanks to Levi & Amanda at Lowe's, James Parks at Menard's, Judy Fedderke, JT Lawn Services, D Smith, Bill, Brad & Will Davies, Megan Edwards & Emily Brodbeck for construction. Our cats love being outside. We would build love to cat walks & already have the wood. Let us know if you have carpentry skills!



### To Louise with Love

We lost our beloved Louise this year. She was one of our longest residents that unfortunately succumbed to kidney disease and stomatitis.



She lived at our office for 7 years and represents the many rescued cats that never find a home.

Please consider adopting a cat. You will never regret it. We miss as our little angel. Rest in peace sweet girl.

### Help & Advocate



Your purchase of an Ohio Pet Plate license will go toward the spay/neuter of dogs/cats all over Ohio. You will also spread the word to encourage others to do the same. Please support needy pets with your license renewal.

A 501(c)(3) org. Donations are tax deductible.

### Your gift saves lives.

\$10 \_\_\_ \$25 \_\_\_ \$50 \_\_\_ \$100 \_\_\_ Other \_\_\_

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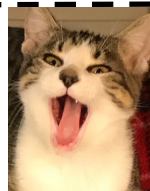
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Kindly send to Columbus Dog Connection  
2761 Johnstown Rd  
Columbus OH 43219



Henry is looking for a home. He is super playful and loves to get a good game of chase going. He's a friendly boy that loves to be held. He's 5 months.

### What Do We Do ?

- Rescues homeless/abused cats & dogs
- Provide permanent foster home or hospice to elderly, ill, un-adoptable foster dogs/cats
- Operate a quasi cat shelter
- Offer a low cost vaccine clinic to the community
- Offer low cost spay/neuter at our office
- Travel in our mobile spay/neuter clinic to rural counties throughout Ohio to perform low cost spay/neuter services
- Warehouse & share food/supplies with rescues and shelters throughout Ohio
- Continue our work with puppy-mill legislation
- Co-ordinate Mingle With Our Mutts adoption event with Franklin County Dog Shelter

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