



Helping Paws
Animal Network

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Mid-Year Metrics

January - June 2020



\$16,838.74 Paid sponsorships
for 57 animals in 13 rescue groups



\$6,634.60 - ORAU employee
payroll deductions

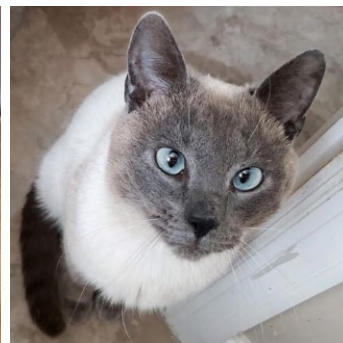
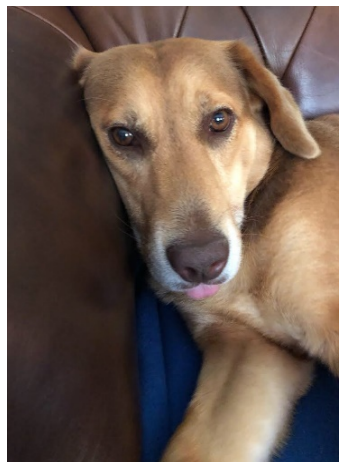


\$1,966.54 - Fundraiser proceeds



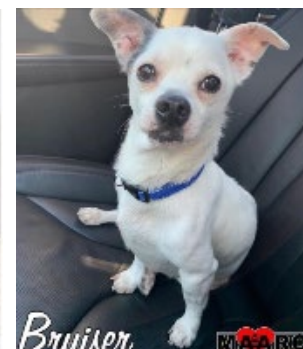
\$24,165.29* - Other donations

* HPAN received a \$20,000 donation in June!



HPAN Sponsors MAARC Animals with \$2,693.46

The Maryville/Alcoa Animal Rescue Center (MAARC) has been busy pulling stray animals or owner surrenders from the Maryville City Animal Shelter. According to MAARC, many have been neglected and needed a lot of medical care, and some have been abused. The rescue center helps rehabilitate the animals in foster care. MAARC reached out to us to sponsor the veterinary bills for these animals. HPAN paid nearly \$2,700 for wellness exams, vaccines, testing, dentals, spay/neuter, and medication. Life is getting sweeter for all of them already!



For additional information on animals supported by HPAN funds, follow our blog:



<https://helpingpaws37830.wordpress.com/>



Rescue Spotlight ♡

Pet Path

Amy and Johnny Guillot were first inspired to start Pet Path Rescue when they rescued their fur child from the side of the road several years ago. Realizing what a great companion she was made Amy and Johnny more aware of how common it is for animals like her to be dumped on the side of the road and left to fend for themselves. They became even more inspired to start their rescue when they later searched for a playmate for their first rescue and realized how many dogs were in need of homes.

Amy and Johnny's hope is that one day rescue organizations will not be needed and that all animals will have a home where they are loved and wanted.

Pet Path's mission is to save the lives of dogs that are homeless, abused, abandoned, or on death row at a kill shelter as well as those in need of medical care. Pet Path is fueled by the contributions and support of its donors. Amy and Johnny state that Pet Path really belongs to its sponsors and that they are grateful their supporters trust them to run the rescue the best they can.



Pet Path uses a comprehensive adoption process that takes considerable care finding good matches for both the dogs and the potential adopters. Pet Path also serves the community by educating and encouraging responsible pet ownership with an emphasis on the need for spaying and neutering pets and keeping the community informed of local spay and neuter and vaccine clinics. All dogs adopted through Pet Path are spayed or neutered before going to their new home.

Part of Pet Path's mission is to establish strong trusting relationships with other rescue groups to build a network that can save more lives.

Pet Path is a not-for-profit program. This rescue is an all-volunteer, home based, foster based, certified 501(c)(3) dog rescue/placement organization based in South East Tennessee. Pet Path believes in networking with several local rescues, shelters and transports by using social media, web related databases and adoption events/expos to help place these pets in the best homes possible.

Visit their website at: <https://www.petpath.org/>

7 Summer Safety Tips for Pets 🏖️

Heat Relief

While most pets find shady, cool spots to lie down, overweight animals or pets that can't tolerate heat as well, might benefit from cooling beds, vests, or mats.

Grooming

Think of a dog's coat as insulation, warding off cold in the winter and heat in the summer. Be sure to trim your dog, but do not give them such a close shave that it minimizes their protection. Dogs can get sunburn or skin cancer, so their coat should never be cut shorter than an inch and for certain breeds, even an inch is too short.

Food

Make sure your pet has food from home to eat while either traveling with you to pet-friendly hotels or while boarded in a kennel, since a change in diet can cause diarrhea. Keep pets leashed or inside during barbecues to prevent them from being fed or digesting things that are bad for them. The most toxic foods for dogs are chocolate, onions, garlic, grapes, and raisins.

Vacations

Your pet may get car sick if they are not used to traveling in the car, so take them on several small trips before a long road trip. If you take your dog on a boat, make sure they have a doggie life vest. If you take your dog to the beach, make sure they have plenty of drinking water so they do not drink salt water. If you are boarding your pet, remember to check on vaccines required by the kennel ahead of time.

Lawns

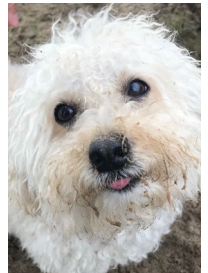
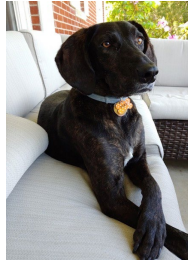
Certain lawn products are toxic to dogs and cats. Your pet can be exposed to these toxic chemicals by licking their paws after walking on the lawn. Herbicides and weed killers are the worst, some causing cancer and certain fertilizers are toxic as well.

Overheating

Be aware of the signs of overheating in pets: excessive panting, difficulty breathing, drooling, mild weakness, increased heart and respiratory rate, seizures, and elevated body temperatures over 104 °F. Animals that have flat faces (e.g., pugs and Persian cats) are at a higher risk of heat stroke, a condition caused by overheating, because they cannot pant as effectively. If you suspect your pet is overheating, sponge them with lukewarm water and seek veterinary care.

Windows

Be sure to use window screens, child-safety window guards, or open windows from the top instead of the bottom to prevent your pets from falling or jumping from windows. These types of falls often result in limb fractures or potentially deadly internal or brain injuries.



Source: <https://www.today.com/news/7-safety-tips-your-dog-s-days-summer-wbna43396298>

Helping the Animals that are Helping Us

Those of us that have a pet to cherish are grateful for more time with them while we work from home. When we are sad or lonely during this COVID-19 crisis they give us unconditional love and comfort. Most of us are grateful for other things as well, our health, our family support, and our employer for helping us navigate these uncertain times; and therefore, we want an opportunity to help others. Why not help our friends and neighbors find a pet to cherish by supporting our community animal rescues and shelters?

ORAU's Helping Paws Animal Network (HPAN) makes it easy to give to dozens of local non-profits working so hard to help the animals of our community find forever homes. These rescues use HPAN funds to help animals in their care get medical services at local veterinarians, supporting our local economy during these challenging times. Please read about some of our local rescues and activities in the current Paw Tales Newsletter or about all our sponsored animals on our web site at <http://helpingpawsanimalnetwork.org/>. The next time your furry friend makes you smile, please consider sending a donation to HPAN via a secure online payment (HPAN website) or regular mail to HPAN, 969 Oak Ridge Turnpike, Oak Ridge, TN 37830.



"A Big FAT hug!!! Thank you!"
Annette, Almost Home Animal Rescue

"Thank you meowly much! Y'all are rock stars! This shelter is going to be the best small community shelter that anyone could ever imagine, just you wait and see. It does take a village and I am so thankful to have you in our corner!"
Patricia, Friends of Campbell County Animals

"So much loss in rescue. Wish there wasn't such a need. HPAN is a lifeline!"
Christi, Spay it Forward East TN

"Thank you very much. Everything HPAN does is very much appreciated."
Judy, Almost Home Animal Rescue

"Thank you so much!!! I hate asking for help when I know so many need it but we have so many with medical issues right now."
Karen, Dames for Danes

"Thank you!!! We really appreciate this!"
Karin, TN Valley Golden Retriever Rescue

"Thank you so very much. You really don't know how much financial stress your donation alleviated with our latest influx of kittens!!!"
Cheryl, Maryville/Alcoa Animal Rescue Center

"Thank you all so very much!"
DeTrease, Humane Society of Roane County

