

The Paw Print

"Infurrmation" from the Humane Society of Lincoln County

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Debbie Barbee, President
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Rosemary Roswell
Kidie Thornton
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About HSLC

The Humane Society of Lincoln County, New Mexico is a 501(c)3 organization that was established in 1979 to improve the quality of life of companion animals in our community. The HSLC is an "Open Admission Shelter" that takes in any animal regardless of age, medical condition or temperament. The HSLC works tirelessly toward more animal adoptions, further pet pregnancy prevention, animal rehabilitation and educating the public.

Adoption Numbers

As of May 1st, 2023, we have adopted out 143 animals, returned 76 pets to their owners, and have transferred 38 dogs and cats to other animal rescue organizations.

What's Happening

From the President - Debbie Barbee

HSLC has many fantastic accomplishments so far this year with more to come!

- The animal enrichment area is almost done. New fencing has been installed behind the Shelter. This enclosed area will be a park and play area beside the dog walking path. This will allow the dogs to explore and play while being off leash.
- Constructed an exterior meet and greet area in the front of Shelter. Families can enjoy the beautiful weather and shade, while meeting their new prospective forever dog.
- The memorial wall is being completed and an unveiling will be scheduled soon. Installed more secure fencing in the front areas of Shelter.
- HSLC unveiled our new animal transport van.
- Additional funding was procured for SPOT/TNR programs.
- Completed concrete pad with weather proof covering for dog kennels outside. This allows the dogs to enjoy the beautiful weather but protected from the sun/rain.
- Working to expand our animal transport program to Colorado rescues.

So many projects are being accomplished due to the support and generous donations from our members and the entire community. None of these important projects could be done without donors as they have ALL been funded by individuals and groups dedicated to saving homeless animals.

I want to welcome 2 new board members to the HSLC Board of Directors. Jeanine Isom, has been so gracious as to have agreed to join our board of directors as part of our finance committee. Kidie Thornton has also joined us and has taken on the daunting task of communications and is chairing this committee. These ladies come to us with years of valuable experience that will be invaluable to achieve our mission.



What's Happening (Cont'd from pg. 1)

We currently have 1 vacancy on the HSLC Board of Directors. Seeking Individual with free time to dedicate to working for and maintaining shelter business which includes, fund raising, writing grants, community outreach, budgeting, and other intricacies of running a non-profit. This is for workers, thinkers, organizers, and motivators. This is a non-paying, yet rewarding volunteer position.

Debbie Barbee, President, HSLC Board of Directors

Village of Ruidoso New Ordinance

Mandatory requirement that All dogs and cats be microchipped. The chip includes the owner's name, current address, and phone number. Owner is responsible to keep information current.

Current Rabies vaccination will still be required to obtain Microchip or voucher can be obtained at HSLC for Rabies. Bring Rabies vaccination certification to shelter for animal to be microchipped.

This applies to everyone who owes or cares for pets that live within the Village of Ruidoso limits.

Appointments NOT required. Come to shelter during regular hours.

Did you know..... Dogs with microchips are 2.5 times more likely to be returned home.

Cats with microchips are 20 times more likely to be returned home.

Furr Ball 2023 "Alice in Dogland & The Mad Catter"

This is our main event of the year for fundraising! It will be held at Alto Lakes Golf and Country Club in the Pavilion and Patio. The date is **July 27, 2023** at starting at 5:00 pm. We are providing a Dinner, Music, Live and Silent Auctions. Like last year, we will have a photo booth so dress up in character and have some fun!!

Be sure to pre-register on the HSLCNM.ORG website under the Furr Ball tab for faster check in!



How can you help our community and shelter?

- **Be a sponsor – Gold \$1500, Silver \$1000, Bronze \$500.**
- **Donate to our silent auction with a gift card donation or merchandise**
- **Buy a table for 8 to the fundraiser for \$1100 and receive 2 bottles of wine**
- **Buy a table for 10 to the fundraiser for \$1400 and receive 2 bottles of wine**

Your generosity is greatly needed and appreciated and will go a long way to improving animal welfare in our community.

Ruidoso Quilters and Stitchers have presented a beautiful, custom homemade quilt. This generous donation is for the 2023 Furr Ball live auction. The quilt has sleeves so you can wear or just give a big hug. It has a patch inside with the event date. It is one of a kind! Please consider making your own donation.

Community Outreach

Many Thanks to all our volunteers. Their dedication helps give our animals needed skills for adoption. HSLC continues to educate our community about the homeless animals in the county, reinforcing the benefits of adopting.

Several of our special dogs made a visit to the Goodlife Assisted Living Center and businesses in Mid-Town. These outings are great adventures for the dogs and they loving interacting with all the people. Everyone enjoyed meeting the dogs where they received many hugs and kisses.



Fostering - A Lifesaving Gift

By Fostering a homeless animal, you are providing rehabilitation in a nurturing environment and providing needs skills for their adoption into a loving home.



WHY I FOSTER

Hello all. My name is Paula Lorraine Pavanis, I volunteer at the Humane Society of Lincoln County, and I also foster. I find that fostering enriches my life, and hopefully the life of our animals in myriad ways.

FUN

It's akin to grand-parenting. Like kids, many animals are quirky and spark joy. All the parenting (animal or human) skills acquired over decades condensed into care-taking, loving, entertaining, and some training: all without the headache of wondering how to manage the next 10 years.

FREEING

Without the stress of managing something 10 years out, true creativity in the day to day round can shine, bring out the best, and create a sense of freedom and joy for both of us.

PHILANTHROPIC

Philio...it means love. Fostering assists the community, both animal and human, in meeting and exceeding the standards of ethical humane care necessary for a well functioning unit overall. It relieves suffering. One: during the time an animal is fostered, it relieves some burden, both financial and staffing, on the shelter. Two: assists in preparing animals for re-homing by providing the much-needed sense of security many frightened animals need. Three: It fosters connection. Loneliness is rampant in today's society, and often hidden. It's an issue the medical community and policy makers are now aware of. Hands down, those who care for animals report feeling less lonely. While not directly causal, caring for an animal lengthens the health-span of life. It's a loving, winning combination for both. Give it a go.

~ Happy Tails ~

~ Happy Tails Update on Bean ~

Thank you for a wonderful adoption process. Bean is now Willow Bean and is settling in wonderfully. She loves her new dad.



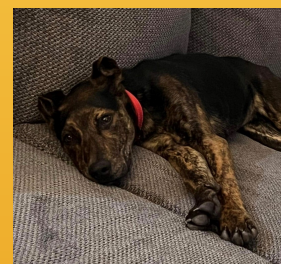
~ Happy Tails Update on Sophie ~

Sophie is happy in her new home! She just had a huge lunch and snuggles up with Dad for a nap. Sophie is so loved.



~ Happy Tails Update on Dexter ~

Dexter is now Charlie and he is doing well. He and sister Lola love to wrestle and snuggle. He is following Lola's lead and learning the "house rules." He is fitting in fantastically!



~ Happy Tails Update on Emory ~

Emory's dad is so happy. He said after days of rest that she began eating more and more! Today she is a totally different dog with lots of energy. She is loving her dad and new forever home.



HSLC Celebrates!!!

The Shelter hosted a day of celebration to unveil our New blue transport van. Our dream was recognized by all the generous donations county wide. The event included pet adoptions, microchipping and pet food drive for the Lincoln County food Bank. Over 350 lbs of pet food was donated. Many donors, members and friends enjoy a sunny day at the shelter. Volunteers and staff gave tours of the new van and Shelter. Many of our adoptable dogs enjoyed walking around and meeting everyone. Participants enjoyed a great meal of hotdogs and Frito pie.



Sierra Blanca Transport Van

This transport van is lifesaving. Shelters use the relocation programs to increase the opportunities for adoption and reduce the number of animals in the shelter. This will free up valuable resources (money, staff) to improve care at the current facility. Shelters that participate in relocation programs can benefit from increased variety in animals available for adoption, positive publicity, and increased traffic to the shelter. Our Appreciation is endless to all who donated, especially the K9 & Dine group from Kokopelli in memory of Lori Bailey.



10th Anniversary - Annual Resale Shop Sale

Donate - Shop - Support

Humane Society of Lincoln County Resale Shop annual anniversary sale is **Saturday June 17th, 2023 from 10 am to 4 pm**. We will have a raffle drawing for incredible prizes at 12 noon and 3 pm. Must be present to win. Hamburgers and hotdogs will be available to purchase. Visitors will also be able to meet many incredible dogs ready for adoption. We had record breaking sales in 2022 thanks to our amazing community. The resale shop sales covers **40% of the costs for the shelter**. All funds from the resale shop help provide shelter and care to homeless pets while we find their forever homes.

We opened our doors here at this location at 25962 U.S Hwy 70 in June of 2013. Yes, this marks out 10th year here at this location. Come find out for yourself why our resale shop has been voted best thrift store in Ruidoso, NM.

You can find

- Women's and Men's clothing, shoes, hats and accessories
- Appliances - washer and dryers, refrigerators and freezers
- Furniture - couches, dining room sets, and bedroom sets
- Kitchen items - dishes, pots, pans and drinking glasses
- Pet products



Spring cleaning or downsizing..... Think of your local Humane Society Resale Shop. Our dedicated staff is there to help unload your donations. WE offer a free pickup service of your unwanted larger heavy furniture or appliances. Call 575-808-8540 to schedule you **FREE** pickup. Your continued support and donations will make a difference for Lincoln County homeless pets.

Thank you!!!

Thanks to our local businesses, organizations, and educational institutions for making a lasting impact on our community. They are committed to helping our continued care of homeless animals!

ENMU hosted an adoption and pet food drive Event in March.

Lincoln student Leaders at the Mescalero school district volunteered at the Shelter. They spent the day helping care for our animals and learning the importance of animal population control. Educating our future leaders will have an impact on decreasing homeless animals.



Enchanted Vines Annual Charity Event provided a day of fun and giving. HSLC had the opportunity to let the attends meet several dogs for adoption and continue to educate our community on the needs of homeless animals. **HSLC won Charity of the Year and Best Booth.**

Queen of Confections and Parties donated decorated cookies to HSLC, for the Enchanted Vine's event.

Albertons' Market awarded us a grant.



Progressive Insurance Foundation graciously gave HSLC a grant.



Pizza Hut recently donated pizzas to feed to Shelter Staff.



Ruidoso Valley Greeters Club gave HSLC a much-needed grant.



No Bones About It continues to support HSLC with many donations.



Become a Member of the Humane Society Today!

Annual Memberships at Different Levels - Check this Out!

Friend of HSLC \$35. Receive our newsletter, window decal & special event invites

Advocate of HSLC \$50. Receive our newsletter, window decal & special event invites

Family Member of HSLC \$75. You and yours will receive all the basic benefits plus a 10% off VIP card in our Resale Shop

Adoption Sponsor of HSLC \$100. You will receive all the basic benefits & one free micro chip

SPOT & TNR Sponsor of HSLC \$150. You will receive all the basic benefits & two free micro chips

Cat or Dog Kennel Sponsor of HSLC \$350. You will receive all the basic benefits and a plate with your name on a kennel

Business Sponsor of HSLC \$500. You will receive all the basic benefits and an annual certificate for your business

Life Time Member of HSLC \$1000. You will receive the basic benefits and free microchips for your pets. We are forever grateful for your life time support.

Alto Lakes Pickleball Association - Humane Society Fundraiser

Alto Lakes Pickleball Association is making a positive impact in their community by raising money for the Humane Society of Lincoln County.

May 20th • 9-11 am
Tournament Registration 8:30 am
Pickleball Courts at
Alto Lakes Country Club

This initiative shows their commitment to not only enjoying the sport of pickleball, but also their desire to give back and help local organizations. By supporting the Humane Society, the Association is helping to provide care and support for animals in need, and their efforts will undoubtedly make a difference in the lives of these animals. Please visit our GoFundMe below to show your support!

<https://gofund.me/1ff055ba>

Photographer Volunteers for HSLC

Sarah Matula is an expert photographer who volunteers her talents at our shelter. For years, she has used her passion to help animals have a better chance of adoption. Sarah has a special way with animals. Her photos can capture the beautiful, bright-eye personalities of each animal. This helps family's imagine that animal as part of their family.

HSLC has experienced the positive impact of her photos at our shelter. These images can be very powerful to help change perceptions of shelter animals. We have adopted 143 animals in 2023. Sarah's dedication has saved many lives. Her photos are featured on the HSLC website and Facebook. Our appreciation is endless. *(All animals in these featured photos by Sarah Matula are available for adoption.)*



Prevent Homeless Pets

EXPONENTIAL EFFECTS OF NOT SPAYING & NEUTERING

Every year, unplanned and unwanted litters create hundreds of homeless pets in the U.S.A. Spaying & Neutering gets to the root of overpopulation of homeless and unwanted pets

TOP REASON FOR NOT SPAYING/NEUTERING

“But my pet is too young.”

AGE CATS CAN BECOME PREGNANT WITH THEIR FIRST LITTER
4-6 months

AGE PUPPIES & KITTENS CAN - AND SHOULD - BE SAFELY SPAYED/NEUTERED
10 - 12 weeks

TOP REASON FOR SPAYING/NEUTERING

“Fewer unwanted litters to find homes for.”

It all traces back to one cat.

Dogs can have **2 litters a year**

Average number of puppies in a canine litter: 6-10

Cats can have **3 litters a year**

Average number of kittens in a feline litter: 4-6

EVERY YEAR, each adult female CAT can have 3 litters with an average of 4 kittens

EVERY YEAR, each adult female DOG can have 2 litters with an average of 4 puppies

HUMANE SOCIETY OF LINCOLN COUNTY

"Helping Animals have a Second Chance"

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FurrBall 2023
Save the date!!
July 27th - 5 pm
Alto Lakes
Country Club

Upcoming Events

MAY 20, 2023

Alto Lakes Pickleball Association - HS Fundraiser

JUNE 3, 2023

Walk 'N Wag • 11 AM - 4 PM • Ruidoso Dog Park

JUNE 17, 2023

Annual Resale Shop Sale • 10 AM - 4 PM

JULY 27, 2023

2023 FURR BALL at Alto Lakes Country Club! 5pm

Want to help HSLC save money? Go to hslcnm.org,
About us, Newsletters, and sign up to receive
our newsletter via e-mail.

**Support the
Humane Society**

Make a donation

Become a member

Volunteer

Donate to Honor or In Memory of

Adopt

