

The Paw Print

"Infurmation" from the Humane Society of Lincoln County

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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 Jan. 1, 2024, we have adopted out 443 animals, returned 212 pets to their owners, and have transferred 121 dogs and cats to other animal rescue organizations.

Please Consider a New Year Donation!

From the President - Debbie Barbee

As we enter a new year, we are reaching out with gratitude and an invitation to join us in making a difference in the lives of animals in need. Your support has been instrumental in our ability to provide compassionate care, shelter, and advocacy, and we are counting on your generosity to help us continue this vital work.

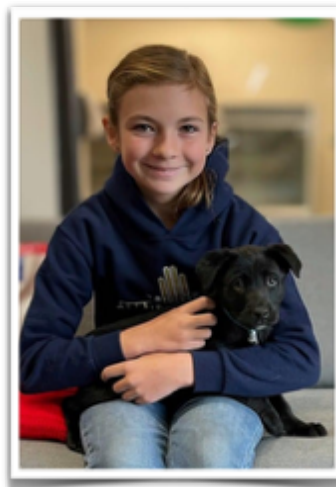
Throughout this past year, your contributions have played a crucial role in rescuing and rehabilitating animals facing adversity. Your commitment has provided them with a second chance at a life filled with love, warmth, and the care they deserve. Together, we've created success stories and built a community dedicated to the well-being of our furry friends.

We must acknowledge the ongoing challenges that animals face, and the demand for our services has never been greater. Your support can make an immediate impact by ensuring that we have the resources needed to continue our mission. Your contribution, no matter the size, will directly contribute to the welfare of the animals.

To make your tax-deductible donation, please visit hslcnm.org or mail your contribution to PO Box 2832, Ruidoso, NM 88355.

Thank you for being a vital part of our Humane Society family and for considering a new year gift. Together, we can make a lasting impact on the lives of those who depend on us for a chance at a better life.

***The Shelter is currently FULL!!
Remember... adopt, don't shop.***



HSLC Annual Member Meeting January 20, 2024 at 2:00pm MT

All members of the Humane Society of Lincoln County are invited to join the yearly meeting, via Zoom. We will present the slate of recently elected officers for member approval as well as updates on shelter projects. Any member wishing to speak during the meeting please limit comments to three minutes. ***Information will be emailed prior to meeting.***

Hope to see everyone on Zoom.

HSLC 2023 EVENTS

Celebration at the Shelter!!

HSLC unveiled and dedicated our new Memorial Wall, Meet and Greet area and other fencing improvements to the grounds.

All our guests enjoy a beautiful evening of fun.

Special Thanks to Mayor Lynn Crawford and Ruidoso Valley Greeters.

A big hug to Casitas Cafe for a wonderful meal, Queen of Confections for incredible Hot Chocolate/Cookies and Blossoms for beautiful flower arrangements.

To all our members, friends, supporters and volunteers of Lincoln County..... **Thank You !!**

The Humane Society is so successful in caring for our homeless animals due to your continued support.



Aspen Fest Parade



Sarah Matula Photography

Santa Paws

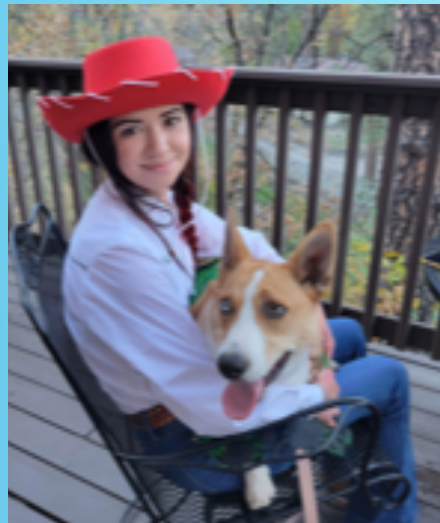
A day of holiday fun, donations and adoptions. Thanks to our guests, volunteers, and donors. **A special Thank you to photographer Sarah Matula, Santa C. and Elves.**

Happy Tails

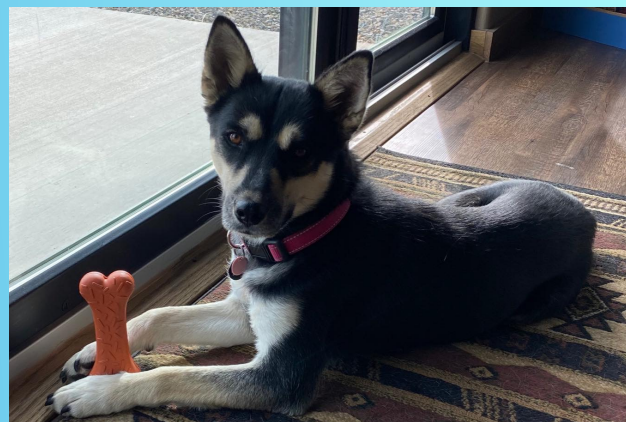
Dobby is snuggled in with one of his new sisters. He has two sister's that love him! His new mama says she couldn't imagine a more perfect fit for their family.



“Hello! It’s **Kenzie**, formerly Little Mama. It’s been a great year with my new family! I love to ride so they take me exploring to many different places. My hobbies include going on walks and watching all the wildlife. Happy New Year!”



Rue, formally Sandy, and mom are enjoying time together at **Downshift Brewing**. Rue is living a life of love. Thanks... Downshift for allowing our dogs to visit. Your support helps these dogs to find new homes.



Resale Shop

The success of the resale shop would not have been possible without the dedicated volunteers, members, and supporters of the Humane Society of Lincoln Co. Countless individuals, businesses, and groups generously donated items last year. The resale shop has a profound impact on our community. It provided an opportunity for individuals to purchase items they would not have been able to afford and to support the Humane Society. The success of the shop reinforces the importance of animal welfare within our community. The shop had a great profitable year and All Proceeds from sales goes directly to the care of our homeless animals.

Staff Appreciation

Staff from the Shelter, Resale shop and Board of Directors enjoyed a well-deserved family style meal. HSLC mission to care for homeless animals would not be possible without all of you. **THANK YOU!!**



Responsibility Starts With YOU!

World Spay Day started in 1995 to call attention to the problem of homeless pets across the country, and to promote spay/neuter to prevent pet overpopulation as well as save animals' lives.

World Spay Day February 27th, 2024 advocates spaying or neutering, as a proven means of saving the lives of abandoned, surrendered, community (feral) and strays/street animals. This brings attention to the heartbreaking problem of animal overpopulation which leads to suffering and death of millions of animals each year. Hopefully, making spay/neuter accessible and affordable for cats and dogs in our community.

The day aims to spread awareness of the long-term health benefits of spay/neuter for your cats and dogs. Not only does it enable your animals to live longer, it helps keep shelter and stray populations low.

Call Humane Society of Lincoln County at 575-257-9841 or visit hslcnm.org for more information.



WHY FIX? YOUR CAT OR DOG!

Dogs Have 2 Litters a Year

2 The average number of litters a fertile dog can produce in one year.

6-10 The average number of puppies in a canine litter.

Cats Can Have 3 Litters a Year

3 The average number of litters a fertile cat can produce in one year.

4-6 The average number of kittens in a feline litter.

'Gifts of Love'

John & Sherry Hawkins	In honor of Daryl Snyder & Betsy Burnett
Ron & Martha Clark	In honor of Charles & Janetta Britten
Sandra Carter	In honor of Vicki Thompson
Mr. & Mrs. Richard Treptow	In memory of Barbara Bailey
Ms. Laura Norris	In memory of Sam
Mr. & Mrs. Bruce Ellis	In memory of Buddie
JL Hilderbrand	To my dear sister
Mr. Richard Woodul II	In honor of Marjorie Hinkle
Sherry Adler	In memory of Kathy Nichols
Judy Thompson	In memory of Bud Vuicich
Nancy Smith	In memory of Sugar
Daryl & Betsy Snyder	In memory of "Oso"
Jeremy Bishop	In memory of Heather Sigman
Stephanie Goldstein	In memory of Heather Sigman
Jackie Mitchell	In memory of Heather Sigman
Soila Gracia	In memory of Heather Sigman
PJ Schuster	In memory of Heather Sigman
Ms. Suzie Parker	In memory of Bud Vuicich
Diane Mashburn	In memory of Bud Vuicich
Jon & Nancy Riches	In memory of Bud Vuicich
Margie Strebeck, Teresa Pope & Debbie Franklin.	In memory of Heather Sigman
Daryl & Betsy Snyder	In memory of Leo Herrera
Mrs. Cleis Jordan	In honor of "Sparky's"
Daryl & Betsy Snyder	In honor of Nancy Otey
Traci Monsour	In honor of Shannon Lefebvre
Mr. Richard Schroeder	In memory of Jay Illis
Mr. & Mrs. Bob Frazier	In memory of "Bella" James
Martha & Ron Clark	In memory of "Bella"
Niall Stange	In memory of Kirk Johnson
Mary Noxon	In memory of Kirk Johnson
Kaye Heinen	In memory of Kirk Johnson
Mr. & Mrs. Bob Frazier	In memory of Olive Pound
Joy Johnston	In memory of Jane Johnston
Kai Brown	In memory of Bob Macfarlane & Ron Wall
Shannon Lefebvre	In memory of Theodore "Teddy" Roosevelt
Kim D. Weinstein	In memory of Kaelin Jossart
Misty McArthur	In memory of "Honey"
Daryl & Betsy Snyder	In honor of Cisco & Isaac
John Johns	In honor of "Booner"
Red Raider Family	In memory of Cheryl Bradley
Sherry Hawkins	In honor of Betsy Burnett
Debbie Barbee	In memory of John Ashcraft
R. V. & Jenine Hemphill	In memory of Rena Krause
Wendy & Charles Foist	In memory of "Zoey"
Mr. & Mrs. Sherman	In memory of Rena Krause
Daryl & Betsy Snyder	In memory of Scott Otey
Barbara Sheriff	In memory of "Sweetie Pie"
Mr. & Mrs. John Grieves	In memory of Luz Herrera
Brandi Ford	In memory of Tom Ford
Mr. & Mrs. Mike Ainsa	In memory of Pat Adkins
Marla Romero	In memory of "Rocco"

Thank you, Animal Humane New Mexico (Albuquerque, NM), for their dedication and commitment to our transport program. Our animals have a higher percentage of adoptions due to the increased volume of visitors at their facility. HSLC has transferred over 100 animals in 2023.

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!

Girl Scout troop 16045 for coming to the shelter and sharing your love with all our furr babies. The troop gave a donation of food and other items to help care for our homeless animals.

Everyone who donated supplies, collars/leashes, toys, and waste stations to the Shelter.

Pizza Hut, No Bones About It, ENMU, Downshift Brewing – for their continued support and donations.



Walmart for making a generous donation to the Shelter.

Ruidoso Hospital Radiology Dept. for sponsoring a fun run to benefit the Shelter.

Alto Community who has been amazing with their donations and volunteerism. They have helped make it possible to continue the high quality of care for our animals.

support with donations of needed supplies.

Harvey's Feed Store - for your yearly



Kitty Litter Christmas Group for donating much needed kitty litter.

Enchanted Vine for a wonderful donation to our animals and their continued support for all non-profits in the County.

Alexandra Bobbit-Born Yoga Classes for their generous donation.

Sarah Matula for all her donated time and expertise with our animals. Her photos capture the true personalities of each animal, that helps to increase our adoptions. To Joy, Jan, and Sue our "Queen Bees" for their assistance with photos. **This incredible team took 550 photos in 2023 !!!!**



Staff Spotlight



Chase & Pecan Pie

Meet Chase Dictson and puppy Pecan Pie. Chase has been at the Shelter for one year and was recently promoted to Kennel Supervisor. Chase came to work at HSLC to become a voice for all the homeless animals. She works passionately for the welfare of all the animals in their care. Chase loves her job and wants to further her education for animal advocacy.

Clara Perez has been at the re-sale shop for 6 years. She enjoys working with all the great people who shop at the store. Clara describes the shop as a big happy family working to save the lives of animals. She is proud of all the improvements made in merchandizing this year.

Clara loves her job and all the hard-working staff. She invites all to come see and shop our great store. **“Sales for Tails”**



Clara

Current Village Ordinances

Sec. 14-16. Spaying or neutering of dogs and cats.

- (a) No person shall own or harbor within the village any cat or dog over the age of six months **which has not been spayed or neutered**, unless that person holds either a permit to keep an unaltered dog or cat or a permit for breeding cats or dogs issued under section 14-17.

Sec. 14-4. Microchip requirements.

- (a) *Microchip requirement.* A person owning or having care, custody, or control over a dog or cat judged to be three months of age or older shall: Have the animal implanted with an identification microchip, with current pet owner information, including the owner's name, address, and phone number. The current pet owner information associated with the microchip shall constitute proof of ownership for this chapter and shall represent the pet licensure requirements for the municipality.

The Shelter had a 35% increase in owner returns due to the new microchip requirement.

Call the shelter 575-257-9841 or hslcnm.org for more information on these services available today!

Did you know.....

**In 2 years, unspayed female cats can reproduce - 376 kittens
 In 2 years, unspayed female dogs can reproduce - 128 puppies**

Please have your pet neutered or spayed.

HSLC has a REDUCED Cost Spay/Neuter Program.

HUMANE SOCIETY OF LINCOLN COUNTY

“Helping Animals have a Second Chance”

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Ruidoso, NM 88345
Phone: 575-808-8540

Website: www.HSLCNM.org

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Ruidoso, NM**



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Upcoming Events

January 20th - Annual Membership meeting - 2pm by Zoom. See website and upcoming email with more information.

February 27th - World Spay Day. More information about free or low cost spay-neuter programs at Shelter will be posted on website, Facebook, and email.

Support the Humane Society

The HSLC can proudly look back on last year as a shining example of our donors, volunteers, members and supporters' commitment to making a difference in the lives of animals in need.

Thank you and Happy New Year !!

Cleaning out after the Holidays?

Moving or Downsizing?

Remember that our Resale shop will take any donations. Call 575-808-8540 for free pick-up.

All proceeds go to the Shelter to care for our homeless animals. “Sales for Tails”

Thank you to all our Volunteers. You are the Guardian Angels for all our Homeless animals.

