



SoHumane

Saving Lives Since 1928



Animals bring love to our hearts and warmth to our souls.

February is a month filled with thoughts of love – a perfect time to say thank you for sharing your hearts with the animals at SoHumane.

Because of you, the dogs and cats at the Southern Oregon Humane Society receive the highest quality care. For the animals waiting to be adopted, your gifts provide everything from nutritious food and warm beds to vaccinations and needed veterinary care. For those dogs and cats with special medical needs, your generous support helps pay for medications, additional tests, surgeries and consultations with veterinary specialists.



Saving one dog won't change the world

but, it will surely change the world for that one dog. Poppy was surrendered with her sister Rosie to SoHumane just before Thanksgiving last November. They had been severely neglected and unfortunately Rosie passed away from a congenital heart condition. Most of the hair on Poppy's face, neck and legs was gone. It hurt your heart to see her in such terrible condition. Slides prepared from swabs of her ears and skin revealed yeast and bacteria too numerous to count. Her blood work was sent to a lab, and she was prescribed antibiotics, twice weekly baths with medicated shampoo, and special ointments for her ears and skin. She tested positive for two intestinal parasites and received treatment along with her initial vaccinations. After over a month of care by SoHumane staff and volunteers, Poppy's skin and health had improved enough for her to be made available for adoption. Poppy has a happy new life as a healthy young dog because gifts from people like you meant SoHumane could go the extra mile in her care.

Some things just fill your heart without trying. Sometimes a much loved family pet can no longer be cared for. SoHumane offers a safe haven for dogs and cats who need a second or even a third chance to find their forever family. At SoHumane, these pets who have lost their homes through no fault of their own are cared for until that certain family meet them and fall in love. It can be challenging to find a family to adopt two pets. **Oscar and Theo arrived at SoHumane together and were adopted together in just two short days.** Now known as Oscar and Fred, their owners recently wrote, “We love these new members of our family (we have one cat, too). They bring us and others around us so much *joie de vivre*.” A “cheerful enjoyment of life” is what adopted dogs and cats can offer their new human companions. Such a happy, joyous phrase for animals who once faced a very uncertain future. **In 2017, 1587 SoHumane dogs and cats became treasured family members.**



We truly appreciate you and are so grateful for your compassion for the animals. In recent years, the cost of caring for hundreds of homeless dogs and cats has increased significantly. Without your continued support, SoHumane could not maintain the high quality of care that we know you trust us to provide. **This year the Southern Oregon Humane Society is celebrating 90 lifesaving years.** Thank you for playing such a vital role in our success as an organization and being our partners in this important work. Please join us in making 2018 a year filled with love for hundreds of dogs and cats.

With gratitude,

A blue ink handwritten signature, likely of Karen Evans, the Executive Director.

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