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SPCA
Monterey County

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You Send Help to Animals in Dire Need

Every day, we receive reports about animals being abused, neglected, abandoned or mistreated. Let that sink in.

We hear about dogs, cats, small animals, horses, other barn animals and wildlife. Reports come from cities and rural areas, from one neighbor reporting another, from police officers responding to domestic violence calls, and veterinarians. It doesn't stop — not during fires, floods or a global pandemic.

I know this can be shocking and upsetting to read. But I can offer some comfort: your support powers a team of professionally trained, culturally competent humane investigators.

When we believe a law has been broken, we collect evidence and present cases to the Monterey County District Attorney's Office. In the most egregious cases, we have the legal grounds to immediately seize animals and remove them from harm's way. The DA's Office decides which cases to prosecute and determines sentences.

If a law hasn't been broken, the SPCA's team has other avenues for creating better lives for animals. We issue veterinary treatment notices and follow-up to ensure owners have provided care for their animals, we educate about humane treatment, and we make countless quality-of-life recommendations.

When we see that owners are overwhelmed, we might offer assistance like free spay/neuter or pet food. We're also a resource to owners who need to surrender their animals to the SPCA, so we can find their animals loving new homes.



Cruelty never stops, but thanks to you and your continued support, neither do we.

Sincerely,

Scott Delucchi, President & CEO

— Did You Know? —

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That's the amount we receive from the ASPCA and HSUS. Your SPCA is not a chapter of any other agency, and we don't have a parent organization. Everything we do is made possible by you!



Saving Milo

It's hard to imagine the suffering Milo endured in his young life. Keep reading to see how your support changed everything for a four-month-old Doberman puppy ...

Milo arrived at the SPCA as a stray with a severely broken leg. He was likely hit by a car at least two weeks before and never treated. Our veterinarians considered the severity of the injury and saw that the best way to help Milo heal was to amputate his leg.

"Milo was always so sweet and playful despite his injury," says Dr. Mónica Ramírez, SPCA Veterinarian. "It's sad to know that animals are injured with no care, but it's a relief to have them here so we can take care of them."

After he recovered, we posted Milo's photo on our social media, where Ryan and Johanna saw him, fell in love and decided to adopt him.

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Today, "Milo is doing fantastic!" says Ryan. "He already learned to tap the door to ask to go potty, and he runs around the house with toys in his mouth."

"He is such a resilient little guy to go through all of that and still be as happy as can be," says Johanna. "Our goal is to make every day of his life the best day of his life. You do such a huge community service for all the animals who need a second chance."

Thank you for being there for the pets that need you most, like Milo. We will never know all that Milo suffered, but because of your generosity, Milo is now safe, loved and thriving! 🐾



A New Life for Daisy

Every year, you help SPCA Humane officers respond to over 800 reports of cruelty and neglect right here in Monterey County.

While our officers were responding to a call about mistreated horses, a fluffy, dirty puppy ran up to them, limping badly. She was happy to see them but obviously in pain.

Our officers could tell one of her legs was broken, and contacted the owner of the property. The owner didn't know the puppy was injured or how it had happened. After we explained that the puppy needed critical veterinary care and a safe place to heal, the owner chose to surrender the puppy to the SPCA for care.

We rushed the puppy, who we named Daisy, back to the SPCA, where veterinarians immediately took X-rays. Daisy was suffering from a fresh fracture to her tibia. Luckily, her fibula was healthy, making a splint the best option for her to heal and keep her leg.

"Daisy is very calm and very sweet," says Dr. Kate Riley, SPCA veterinarian. "She was always



so great for her bandage changes. Since the break was in the middle of her bone, it didn't disrupt the part of the bone that is actively growing. She should grow up to be happy and healthy, without any sign of her injury."

SPCA RVTs provided bandage changes twice a week while she recovered, and we took X-rays to show the progression of her recovery.

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Is Your Pet a Superstar?

We know your cell phone is full of adorable photos of your beloved pets. We want to see them!

You're invited to enter your photos into the **2024 Calendar of Superstar Pets Photo Contest**. Feathered, furry and scaly friends are all welcome. Every photo entered will appear in the calendar. Photos with the most votes will win fabulous prizes!

Your \$25 entry fee does so much more than enter your pet into the photo contest. It helps homeless, abused and neglected animals in Monterey County. As a token of our appreciation, all entries will receive a free 2024 calendar.

Enter now at spcamc.org/calendar



Soon, Daisy moved into a loving SPCA foster home, where she spent three months recovering and learning to be an indoor dog and a member of a family. She had previously spent all her time outdoors, likely eating unsafe items. X-rays showed bits of chewed bone or gravel inside her intestines, which she thankfully was able to pass on her own.

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"Without rescue, Daisy would have been in a lot of pain," says Dr. Riley. "Her leg could have healed at an abnormal angle or not at all, leading to a lifelong limp. As an outdoor puppy on a ranch, it could have slowed her down and made her susceptible to a predator. We are so happy she is now safe."

"I'm so thankful that our humane officers are here for animals, so they can be seen by a veterinarian right away and get the care they need," Dr. Riley adds.

Daisy now has a happy, healthy life ahead of her. She is currently recovering and growing in her loving foster home. Thank you for helping animals like Daisy! You make these stories possible. 🐾



A Safe Place for Bisquick and Flapjack

Thank you for standing up for innocent animals — including Bisquick and Flapjack, two cows!

Last year, SPCA Humane Officers rescued multiple animals who were neglected, emaciated and suffering. One of them, who our team named Bisquick, was heavily pregnant and significantly underweight, with painfully overgrown hooves.

Your support provided weeks of care, including healthy food, fresh water, vaccinations, deworming and long overdue hoof care. The cow recovered and Bisquick's baby, Flapjack, was born. While we loved all the sweet baby snuggles, we were thrilled when Bisquick and Flapjack, and all their bovine friends were adopted into a loving forever home together!

Due to the severity of the neglect, we submitted this case to the Monterey County District Attorney's Office for prosecution.

Your generosity made the cows' new lives possible. 🐾



Flapjack is happy and healthy, thanks to you!



Emergency Deer Rescue

When the SPCA Wildlife Center received a call about a deer stuck in a fence, we immediately jumped into action.

The doe had been painfully and hopelessly stuck for at least a few hours when she was spotted by compassionate neighbors, out walking their dogs. They quickly called the SPCA Wildlife Center for help. We are thankful for their call, as she would not have survived much longer without us.

The deer was stuck in the fence at her hip, unable to free herself. Skilled SPCA wildlife rescuers carefully removed the doe from the fence and she quickly ran off to join other deer nearby.

Your support ensures that we are always here when animals need us. Because of you, our Wildlife Center rescues over 2,500 injured and orphaned wild animals every year. Thank you for all you do, and continue to do for animals. 🐾



A Home For Noel

Noel, an adorable young kitten, was attacked by a dog and was suffering from painful wounds. When Noel arrived at the SPCA, we immediately rushed her to our Veterinary Clinic.

Our veterinary team gently cleaned the bite marks, provided pain medication and antibiotics, and took radiographs to ensure she had no broken bones. Noel spent her recovery in the loving arms of a compassionate foster volunteer until she was healed and ready for adoption.

"Thanks to your support, our specialized teams cared for Noel from the moment she arrived until she was adopted," says Jenny Morales, Vice President of Shelter and Clinic Services. "From our veterinarians and RVTs, to our compassionate Animal Care and Customer Care staff, everyone loved Noel and found her the perfect home."

Noel's story is proof: you're making a real difference! 🐾



Fostering Love

Last year, your SPCA rescued 1,624 tiny puppies and kittens, many in need of urgent, lifesaving care. They came to us from owners who had unwanted litters, as strays living alone on the streets, or rescued from lives of neglect by our humane officers. Thanks to your support, we are always here for them. And thanks to our fosters, they can grow and thrive in loving homes.

Our committed foster volunteers give these tiniest shelter pets bottle feedings around the clock, gentle cleaning and TLC to help them grow into healthy, happy family pets.

The SPCA provides foster volunteers all supplies, access to our expert veterinary services and guidance from our years of experience. Please make a difference for these tiny little survivors. Donate to help or join our foster team. Your love makes everything possible. 🐾



GIVE THEM HOPE

Donate to help animals like Luna get the lifesaving care they need.



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