

paw prints

Fall/Winter 2016

Adopting a pet can save your life.

by Stephanie Nistler, Executive Director

Any person who has loved an animal knows the incredible and unique bond we have with them. They are so much more than pets. They are our running buddies, our wingmen (& women), our co-pilots, our dance partners, our best friends, and in some cases... our lifesavers.

Recently the Petco Foundation opened a grant cycle in which they invited people who have adopted pets to submit stories about how the pet has changed their lives. The winning stories will be given grant funding from the Foundation. There have been several wonderful stories submitted on behalf of HSTT by people whose lives have dramatically improved since adopting their pet.

Here's one of my favorites written by a woman named Cody:

"Before I met Chico, I felt like there was a piece missing. I had been suffering from depression on and off for months and nothing seemed to help. My family tried their best to cheer me up, however, as hard as they tried, the depression fought harder to stay. I started looking in the local shelter for a dog but I had no idea the journey that I was in for.

I met many wonderful dogs throughout my search, but most of them were young and energetic and I was worried

Chico



my depression wouldn't allow me the energy that a younger dog needed. I almost gave up, until I saw Chico.

I was with my mother in Home Depot and suddenly felt like for some reason I needed to check the website for the Truckee Humane Society. There he was. I saw his photo and I knew that he was the one I'd been searching for. We drove to the Humane Society immediately and I asked to see him.

The attendant took me to his kennel and let me in. I sat down next to him on his bed and he took one look at me, got up from his bed and crawled in my lap. We've been together ever since.

Chico will be 11 next month, and my only wish is that I could go back in time and meet him sooner. Because of Chico, my depression is gone. My days

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Save the Date

2016 Giving Tuesday on November 29th

9th Annual Black Tie & Tails Gala on Sat., Feb. 18th
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are no longer filled with sadness, but are instead filled with cuddles and puppy kisses.

Chico has restored my faith in myself, he's given me courage and he's taught me that age is nothing more than just a number.

When Chico was younger, he suffered a leg injury and because of that walks with a little limp, but that limp has never stopped him. Watching him play is a gift and I often say that there is no greater joy than giving Chico - Chico Rico Suave, as I call him - a new toy. Chico didn't just change my life... he saved it."

When I wiped the tears from my eyes after reading this story I knew it had to be shared. Regardless of what happens with the grant, it's stories like this that remind us of the incredible difference we make in the lives of pets and people each and every day. It's stories like this that make it all worthwhile.

One of my favorite aspects of watching people adopt a new pet is knowing that they're at the very beginning of an incredible friendship that is going to improve their lives in ways they don't even know yet.



Sweet Chico in just a few of the many selfies Cody loves to take with him.

We have \$50,000 in matching funds!

Donations made on Giving Tuesday, November 29th, will have TWICE the life-saving impact.

The theme of our 2016 campaign, "Winter is coming...", is based on multiple puppies maturing in our care that will be ready for adoption on Giving Tuesday, November 29th.

We are very excited because we've secured the LARGEST matching gift we've ever had (\$50,000!), but we need your help reaching this lofty goal.

If you already donate to HSTT, please make your end-of-year gift on November 29th and consider increasing your donation that day. If you haven't donated before, there's never been a better day to start! Every dollar will be matched so your donation will help us save TWICE as many little lives.

Winter is coming... **#GIVING TUESDAY**
11-29-2016



All of these adorable puppies, and more, are going from homeless to beloved family pets with your help! They will be available for adoption on Tuesday, November 29th.

There are many ways to donate on Tuesday, November 29th!



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Truckee, CA 96161



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Our awesome 2017 calendar is here!

Where does inspiration come from? It's a question we ask ourselves throughout the year because we know our calendar project will come along like clockwork each October. To say we feel compelled to match or exceed the popularity of the previous years' calendars is an understatement. We strive to come up with something unique, original and clever every year. We hope you'll agree that we've accomplished our goal with the release of our 2017 "This is you when..." calendar.

Again, we find ourselves indebted to Albert Lewis of albertlewis.com for taking a loosely formed idea and focusing it, literally, into a striking and funny study of what we imagine goes on inside a dog or cat's mind. During this project, we discovered a sense of humor within every pet we photographed. Each pet smiles, jumps, plays and, with enough imagination on our part, dances and laughs out loud. Expressing their love of life despite once being homeless and heartbroken gives us hope. Our 2017 calendar aspires to evoke the same feeling in you while hopefully making you laugh along the way.

HERE'S A SNEAK PEEK AT JUST A FEW OF OUR "THIS IS YOU WHEN..." MONTHS:



2Pac

WHEN YOU REALIZE
THE CAT NEVER
LIKED YOU

WHEN YOU THINK "GET DOWN"
MEANS GET FUNKY



Milo

WHEN YOU SEE
WHAT THE CAT DOES
IN THAT BOX



Roscoe P. Coltrane



Special thanks to our 2017 calendar sponsors!

These generous local businesses and people care about our community's homeless pets and support HSTT in the important work we do. Please consider doing business with them whenever you can!

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- Tahoe Integrative Veterinary Care
- Truckee Tahoe Pet Lodge
- Wild Cherries Coffee House

Calendars can be purchased online at <http://hstt.org/2017-hstt-calendar> and at HSTT's shelter located at 10961 Stevens Lane in Truckee.

Calendars are also available for purchase at Burger Me, Canine Country Truckee, Mountain Hardware & Sports, Tahoe Integrative Veterinary Care, Truckee-Tahoe Pet Lodge and Wild Cherries Coffee House.

Animal Updates | by HSTT's Adoption Staff



Olive

Olive came to the Humane Society of Truckee-Tahoe after she was found living in a motel room. Olive's owners were breeding her and selling her puppies on Craigslist. A concerned citizen saw the ad and was able to rescue her and the puppies from this dire situation. When Olive arrived she was traumatized, scared, emaciated, had hair loss and was still nursing.

We got to work right away concentrating on making Olive well again. She spent numerous weeks at the shelter recuperating, gaining weight in a healthy way, socializing and spending time with shelter staff.

We were all thrilled when she was well enough to move to the adoption floor. And all of our dreams came true when Rhonda and Andy Mills walked through our doors, fell in love with her, and gave her a forever home with a loving family.

Here is Olive's story as told by Rhonda Mills:

"On March 28, 2015, we lost our four-legged best friend of 12 years. It took a long time to get past it and move on.

One day while at work in Truckee, my co-worker and I started looking at the Humane Society of Truckee Tahoe's website. When I saw Olive, it was love at first sight. I had to meet her.

For a few days, I spent my lunch hour at HSTT to be with Olive. She took a little time to warm up to me. Of course she did, she came from a very bad situation. She came to the shelter very underweight, weak, scared and pups in tow. She was for sure not looking her best but we looked past all that and saw what would be.

Saturday of that same week, my husband and I adopted her. I called her my little Olive Branch. She offered both of us something that was missing for a little over a year. She filled a huge void in our lives.

I call her my little Olive Branch because she has offered lots of love and peace of mind. I had a hard time believing that another dog was just what we needed. It was what we needed.

We saved her and she saved us. She showed us that moving on was the best medicine and adopting a pet gave us a wonderful feeling; knowing we had given a second chance to a pet that may have been overlooked.

I can't wait to come home from work everyday to see Olive. She greets me with a big wet kiss and a wagging tail, no matter what. If I have a stressful day at work, when I see her little face, it makes me smile and it's funny how I forget what caused me to stress in the first place.

The people at HSTT are amazing individuals. In the

weeks that followed us adopting Olive, I received emails asking how she was doing. I still email from time to time and give updates on Olive.

There are very caring and compassionate people at the Humane Society of Truckee-Tahoe shelter. They took care of Olive and saved her from a life of who knows what. I feel it is my calling to do the same for her now that she is my little Olive Branch.

We can give her peace of mind that no one will ever hurt her again. We both shower that little girl with so much love and it feels great."



Bob

Bob arrived at HSTT at the young age of 10 after the passing of his owner. Sweet Bob had been living a much loved and well cared for life prior to arriving at the shelter and it took him



Olive Branch, as Rhonda likes to call her, is just what her adopters needed: a sweet, fun, loving companion.

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a while to feel comfortable and warm up to life at HSTT.

The staff immediately fell in love with him and with some TLC he came out of his shell. Bob spent over a month with us at the shelter before he was adopted into his new forever home, where as told by his new owner:

"He is getting lots of kisses on the top of his head, and I think he is starting to realize that what's happened to him actually is a pretty good thing!"

The first few days were an adjustment: *"He is in our master bedroom and I've taken him around the upstairs to look out the various windows as we have lots of large trees on our property, full of birds which I thought he would enjoy checking out."*

But, eventually Bob warmed up to his new home: *"Last night we returned home from a barbecue at friends, around dusk, and as we pulled in the driveway, we could see Bob looking out the front bedroom window. We both thought this was big progress. While we were out, he was enjoying the window sill rather than the silly box spring hide-out."*

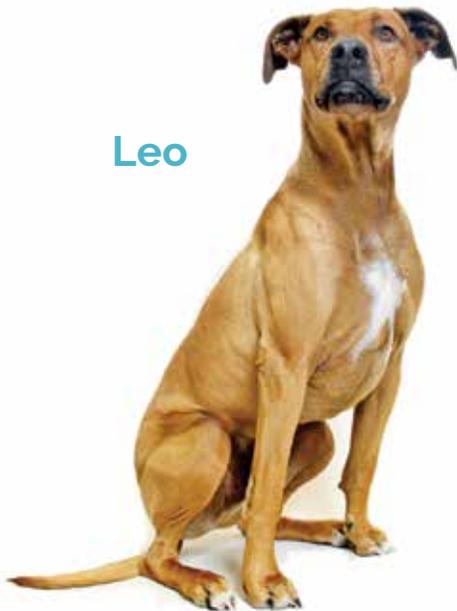
Bob is sweet and I love how loudly he purrs. He does let me scoop him up and will sit in my arms or on my lap, but not for long. Also, I have scooped him up and set him on the bed as I've climbed in...twice,



Bob lost his long-time owner, but found a new family to love and care for him.

and he has snuggled against me as I fell asleep but then he jumps down and resumes his spot under the bed."

Leo



Sweet Leo became a shelter sweetheart because it took him a while to find his forever home. You see, Leo suffered from anxiety and did not show well at the shelter.

Get him out on a walk though and you would soon learn this big guy had potential. It was just hard because he was so stressed at the shelter and barked a lot to let us all know.

Here is an update on how sensitive Leo has changed his adopter's life:

"Losing my life partner to sudden death in 2014, and losing an entire year to grief, I was determined to take back my life and learn how and what it meant to live my life again. 2016 will be my year of new beginnings. Unfortunately, it started off with the loss of my big sweet dog Simba."

It was June and as I was looking through pictures and bio's of adoptable dogs, I came across one that I couldn't forget. His name was Leo and I needed to know what his story

was. He was at the Humane Society of Truckee-Tahoe. He was considered a special needs dog; lots of hyper behavior and severe anxiety.

He was never given any structure or training at his original home, just left in a yard to run wild. He was originally turned in as a puppy and then returned at 2 1/2 years old because he became unmanageable. I knew instantly I had to meet him and see what he was all about. He must have felt abandoned, rejected, and so very alone. I thought to myself "Could HE possibly be that new start for me?"

I emailed with an adoption specialist to learn more and after about two weeks I decided it was time to meet Leo. It was love at first sight and knew he was that new start as my new family member.

He now has a cat and a dog in his new forever life.

When he's on calm relax time, he enjoys a snooze with his kitty Flash, and an occasional sun spot with his sister companion, Tahoe.



Leo was turned in to the Humane Society of Truckee-Tahoe with another dog, Mojo. Mojo was also adopted and is doing well in his new home.

Animal Updates, cont'd

Leo and I are both starting over together making new memories. We love running, hiking, and long walks on the beach. As I expose him to new experiences, I watch how he embraces them, most of the time with zest. He just goes for it, no hesitation, no thought of his past life. Just happy being in his moment. WOW!

What a life lesson for me. He has brought purpose back into my life. I'm completely committed to him. Together we work in changing those rude behaviors, I believe in him. Together through trust, he is slowly transforming into a polite calm dog.

Leo is an incredible dog! Together we persevere helping each other learn how to live our lives again."



Dogs like Leo prove that it just takes the right person to understand them and they'll blossom into well-adjusted, healthy and happy dogs.

a bathroom since there was no one there to let them out or feed them.

Despite going through all this tragedy, Capone was still the sweetest happy-go-lucky dog. He quickly stole everyone's heart. Capone loved going on outings with volunteers, playing in the yard and soaking up the sun, or just spending quiet time in his kennel with whomever was willing to do so. He even got to attend our annual Peaks and Paws event in Squaw Valley and hang out with the hundreds of dogs that attend, but still no real interest.

Capone was with us for over a month, which was surprising since he was such a mellow and sweet boy who got along with everyone, but unfortunately Capone was overlooked by most people who came into the shelter to adopt.

He was starting to shut down, you could see the change in his eyes, and he was slowly becoming depressed. "Why does no one want me?"

Until one day! Someone came in specifically to meet Capone. Sadly, three days later he was returned because the family's

resident dog and Capone did not getting along as well as they did in the shelter introduction. It was a sad day for everyone, but we remained positive and knew Capone would find that perfect forever home!

About a week later, a new adopter came in to meet Capone. They had seen Capone on our website and fell in love. They hung out at the shelter and went on a nice walk, and that was that. Capone found his new forever home and they have been bonding ever since.

Taking him on 5-mile hikes every day and introducing him to creeks and lakes for the first time. He is slowly learning new things, like how to swim, and play in the snow, and loving all of his new experiences that every dog deserves to know. Capone has found his happy ending. And we couldn't be happier for him!

Capone



Capone was brought to HSTT from the Lyon County Animal Shelter in the beginning of August. He was found abandoned in a home in Fernley with three other dogs, left without food, water, or love. Upon arrival, it was discovered the dogs had been eating stuffed animals and forced to use the house as

Besa May



Besa May is a riddle wrapped in an enigma cloaked in an absolutely beautiful Brown Butterscotch Calico coat.

Sweet, gentle, and a little shy, Besa May was an unexpected natural when capturing that pesky red dot of a laser pointer. In addition to her undercover athleticism, Besa May surprised

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us with her transformation from timid cat to total lovebug with just a few pets.

Unfortunately for Besa, and many shy pets, shelter life can be a bit daunting, causing them to appear more timid than they actually are.

In fact, many seemingly shy pets in the shelter environment come out of their shell entirely once they are settled in an appropriate home with a patient and caring person. And that's just what happened for Besa May a few months ago!

One of our dedicated cat volunteers, Veneta, had been keeping an eye out for Besa May; waiting for the perfect adopter to come along and making sure Besa found the calm, relaxing home she needed.

After a few months of watching adopters choose more outgoing and playful cats over Besa, Veneta decided she was the perfect adopter.

Veneta made the adoption official the very next day, and she and Besa May are doing great. Veneta's home is quiet and peaceful; just the type of atmosphere Besa needed to come out of her shell



From abandoned and alone to exploring creeks and lakes with his new family, Capone has come a long way. We're so grateful people see the awesome potential in sweet dogs like Capone.

and become more curious, confident, and, even playful. We're so happy for both of them because it's clear Besa May is making Veneta very happy. She smiles from ear to ear whenever we ask how Besa May is doing.

Constant Companion monthly donations give consistent support we can rely on.

Your monthly gifts will improve the lives of numerous shelter pets throughout the year. Here's what your support will provide:

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fun toys for one shelter pet each month

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cat food and litter for a shelter cat each month

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Monthly giving is the easiest way to support the Humane Society of Truckee-Tahoe's life-saving work.

When you sign up to become a Constant Companion with a monthly gift, you're supplying a consistent source of income to help us provide medical care, healthy food, training and socialization, and anything else a pet may need to be ready for adoption.

Simply [sign up online](#) and your credit or debit card donation will automatically process each month. It's safe, secure and just that easy! **To become a Constant Companion by phone, call Dale Lawrence at 530.582.2468.**



In Memory and In Honor

A donation in memory of a person or pet is a wonderful way to show someone you care and make a difference doing it. These gifts go directly toward helping the homeless animals in our community.

Memorial Donations

From March 15, 2016 through November 10, 2016

In memory of **Ace**, beloved dog of Tori & Jodi Goux.
From Kevin & Robin Ward.

In memory of **Bailey**, beloved dog of Teddy, Heather, Henry & Reagan Runge.
From Brian & Georgia Addington.

In memory of my beloved GSD, **Belle**.
From Lisa Hernandez.

In memory of **Boulder Grosse**, beloved dog of Bob Grosse. From Kelly Woodward.

In memory of **Bozzy Collins Duffield**.
From Syndi Keats.

In memory of my son, **Craig Brown**.
From Felice McDonald.

In memory of **Bruce**. Rest in Peace, little man. xo.
From Barbara Hargenrater.

In memory of **Buddy**. From Debbie Ratcliff.

In memory of our beloved dog, **Daisy**.
From David & Rebecca Peterson.

In memory of **Dewey Campbell**. From Julie Daigle.

In memory of **Cody (aka Puppies)**
From the Berryman Family Charitable Fund at Tahoe Truckee Community Foundation.

In memory of Caren Christen's beloved pet, **Dolce**.
From Kevin & Robin Ward.

In memory of **John Corda**. From Pat Davison.

In memory of our grandson, **Jackson Ferree**.
From Wayne & Diane Ferree.

In memory of **Jackson Ferree**. From Susan Baird.

In memory of **Ghillie**. From Linda & John Campbell.

In memory of **Gary Gianelli**. From Gary Gianelli.

In memory of **Gracee** and with thanks to Dr. Ryan.
From Colleen Ciucci.

In memory of **Gracie**, beloved dog of Kristin Blocher. From the Humane Society of Truckee-Tahoe.

In memory of **Robert Hansford**. From Donna Lane.



Audrey & Lillith

Adoptable cats like adorable Audrey and her mom, Lillith, benefit from memorial and honorary donations. These donations help pay for vaccinations, spay/neuter surgeries and other necessary medical procedures. Photo by Katie Mize & Zdenka Manthorpe.

In memory of **Herik**, beloved companion dog to Gloria & Maurry Koch. From Al & Patt Shaw.

In memory of our sweet pup, **Hope**, who added so much joy to our family. From Alexa Mc Pherson & Brooke Saathoff.

In memory of **Layla**, beloved dog of the Featherstone Family. From Marilyn Crang.

In memory of **Lina**, beloved dog of Holly Hargreaves. From Heidi Oline Pruett.

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Use this coupon or donate online at www.hstt.org to honor the memory of a special person or pet.

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In memory of **Logan**. From Sondra Sharee & Bill Fitzgerald.

In memory of **Lola & Dollie**. From Fred Drake.

In memory of **Lola**, beloved dog of Heidi Senglaub. From Kevin & Robin Ward.

In memory of **Lola**, beloved dog of Heidi Senglaub. From Donald & Ellie Hyatt.

In memory of **Maggie**. From Haven Ritchie.

In memory of **Mattie**. From Sue Williams.

In memory of **Niko**, best friend to Marc & Mary Cronin. From Patrick Cronin.

In memory of **Pat**, beloved family member of Becky & Marc McFadden. From Donna Lane.

In memory of **Penny**, beloved cat of Ed & Laura Heneveld. From Janet Dow.

In memory of **Pyrate**, beloved dog of Jack Forbes. From Adrienne Forbes.

In memory of **Pyrate**, beloved dog of Jack Forbes. From the Humane Society of Truckee-Tahoe.

In memory of **Red Inx**, a beloved roping horse. From Andy Wirth.

In memory of **Dan Redmond**. From David & Katherine Hockett.

In memory of **Joan Rickward**, who loved her dogs Nikkie, Bebe & Robbie. From Andrew Church.

In memory of **Shadow**, beloved dog of Cherri & Rob Gillmore. From Karen & Greg Holm.

In memory of **Shadow**, beloved dog of Cherri & Rob Gillmore. From the Humane Society of Truckee-Tahoe.

In memory of Cherri & Rob Gillmore's beloved **Shadow**. From Sue Dunn.

In memory of **Sonny**, Judy Lawrence's sweet dog. From Dale Lawrence.

In memory of **Sophie**, beloved dog of Cody Wirth. From Andy Wirth.

In memory of **Sun Dance**, beloved companion to Trinkie Watson. From Elizabeth & John Eaton.

In memory of **Sun Dance**, beloved dog of Trinkie Watson. From Kevin & Robin Ward.

In memory of **Sun Dance**, beloved dog of Trinkie Watson. From the Humane Society of Truckee-Tahoe.

In memory of **Sun Dance**, the gentle giant. From Jean Ludwick & Doug Major.

In memory of **Sunny**, beloved pet of The Johnson Family. From Carolyn Smith.

In memory of **Tamson**, beloved dog of Nancie Schoener & Bill Owens. From Marilyn Crang.

In memory of **TC**. From Cherri & Rob Gillmore.

In memory of **Teddy Bear**. From Karen & Gary Valestrino.

In memory of **Toby Bollakis**. From Robert Yeo.

In memory of **Toby**, Andrea Bollakis' beloved cat. From Suzanne & David Woodhead.

In memory of **Toby**, Andrea Bollakis' beloved cat. From Robert Krahn.

In memory of **Toby**, beloved cat of Andrea Bollakis. From the Humane Society of Truckee-Tahoe.

In memory of **Toby**, beloved dog of Syndi Keats & Kelly Woodward. From Terry & Judy Erhardt.

In memory of **Toby**, beloved dog of Syndi Keats & Kelly Woodward. From the Humane Society of Truckee-Tahoe.

In memory of our sweet **Toby**. From Kelly Woodward & Syndi Keats.

Honorary Donations

From October 15, 2016 through November 10, 2016

In honor of **all the pets** we've had the honor of meeting during their stay at HSTT! From Tracy Verhoeven.

In honor of **Archie and Maya**. From Veronica Kaufman.

In honor of **Chris & Brenda Brouwers**. From the Christy Curtis & Crew Fund at the Tahoe Truckee Community Foundation.

In honor of **Jill Dobb's birthday**. From Jason Dobbs.

In honor of **Jill Dobb's birthday**. From Carol & Greg Dobbs.

Anise



HSTT notifies the families of every lifesaving gift made on their loved one's behalf. These gifts help senior dogs like Anise live a full and happy life.

In memory and In Honor, cont'd

In honor of my aunt, **Lois Dolittle**, for her birthday to sponsor the adoption fee for Rags & Tommy. *From Lisa Smith.*

In honor of **Daria Gorzynska**.
From Richard Basecki.

In honor of **Susan & David Harnden**.
From Marsha Woodbury.

In honor of **Reino and Kelly Hautala**.
From the Christy Curtis & Crew Fund at the Tahoe Truckee Community Foundation.

In honor of **Hoover and Charlie**. *From Matt Carter.*

In honor of **Jonah**. *From Simone Janssen.*

In honor of **George & Judy Langland**.
From the Christy Curtis & Crew Fund at the Tahoe Truckee Community Foundation.

In honor of **Rio Leslie**. *From Don & Corky Leslie.*

In honor of **Ali Liptrot & John Maciejewski's wedding**. *From Karen Zazzi.*

In honor of **Lily Maclean**, a beloved friend and fellow trail runner. *From Jeff, Carolyn, Eleanor & Francis Hamilton.*

In honor of **Jeanne & Doug Monsour**.
From Cindy Hillery.

In honor of **Rachel & Kyle's wedding**.
From Chelsea & Justin Russell.

In honor of **Dr. Ryan**. *From Dan & Sabra Seaborg.*

In honor of **Dr. Ryan**.
From Sabine & Richard Manseau.

In honor of **Starr**. *From Kurt & Carol Haskell.*

In honor of **Donna Wilson**.
From Dr. Mike & Laura Ryan.

For your next birthday, anniversary or celebration, consider asking guests to make a donation to HSTT instead of purchasing a gift. Guests love knowing their donations will help homeless pets. Simply call Dale Lawrence at 530.582.2468.



A Unified Front

Animal advocates everywhere share one common goal: to reduce the suffering that occurs as a result of pet overpopulation. The best way to achieve this goal is by taking a preventative approach, and ensuring animals are spayed and neutered, with no chance for accidental litters to increase those harrowing overpopulation numbers.

The Humane Society of Truckee-Tahoe recently received a \$20,000 donation from Wylie Animal Rescue Foundation to continue directly serving animals in the North Tahoe Basin. These funds were raised by the Friends of the Tahoe Vista Animal Shelter in 2015 and are being used in a unified

effort to save more lives. The grant will make it possible to spay and neuter dogs and cats at no cost to qualifying individuals in the eastern region of Placer County.

We're thrilled to be moving forward in partnership to serve this community and their pets. The unified efforts make us all the more productive and capable of ensuring that no pet in the Tahoe area will have an accidental litter simply because the surgery is unaffordable for the community member.

To further our efforts, we must continue to educate pet owners on the benefits of spay/neuter - not only to their pets, but to the bigger picture! Animals across the nation benefit when we prevent adding more to the mix. It really is simple math, but this time the numbers are living beings. What that means to us here at HSTT is that we need to solve the problem, and we need your help.

So, what can you do? If your pet isn't already spayed or neutered, give us a call and we'll help you through the process. If you have an altered pet, help spread the word to your friends and family about your decision to spay/neuter, and encourage them to do the same! And finally, please support spay/neuter programs with your time, talents, and donations! Thank you for caring...together we can make this community accidental-litter FREE! That translates to reduction in suffering, and saving that many more of the pets we love so much.

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Celebrate Canines, Community and Compassion at the 9th Annual Black Tie & Tails Gala on Saturday, February 18th, 2017.

At this one-of-a-kind, black-tie optional event, over 350 guests, some with their canine companions, will be greeted by a Hollywood-style red carpet entry. Immediately following will be the swankiest of champagne and hors d'oeuvre receptions, complete with passed appetizers for your dogs, an elegant dining experience that only the The Ritz-Carlton, Lake Tahoe could provide, music, dancing and unexpected entertainment!

Last year's gala sold out SIX WEEKS before the event, so don't delay... purchase your tickets as soon as they go on sale on December 12, 2016.

Tickets are \$175.00 each. Reserved tables are available seating ten guests. Call Dale Lawrence at 530.582.2468 or visit www.hstt.org to purchase tickets.

Be a part of the magic!

