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HUMANE EDUCATION & ADOPTION REFERRALS

Animal Friends Connection needs your HELP!

Animal Friends Connection needs your HELP! If you love dogs and/or cats and are willing to help them get the medical help they need and find a furever home then we need your donation! We are Animal Friends Connection Humane Society, located in Lodi, CA since 1990. We are strictly a no-kill non-profit organization and we run by donations only. We do not get any sort of city, state, or county funding or anything in that matter. Animal Friends needs your HELP. Recently our landlord listed the property we've been renting for the last 21 years and we need your help raising at least \$900,000 to purchase the 2 acre lot from him. For us to find another location and move all of our equipment will be next to impossible. Since we run by donations and are non-profit, our resources are limited, we do all what we can do to help our sanctuary animals and the public who are in need of pet food, spaying or neutering their dogs or cats and much more. Our animals are our main priority, when they come in, whether they are owner surrender, found on the street, found inside a taped box, found sitting by our garbage cans, tied to our fence or thrown out a car window on our property, we do everything and we mean EVERYTHING we can to get that animal to a healthy state. We have had horrible malnourished, broken bones, eye sockets falling out, cigarette burns and our most recent one, a bullet inside a dog's leg from being shot, which needed amputation. With all that being

said we are still able to find wonderful homes where love, warmth and happiness is felt for both our dogs and cats and they'll never be beat, shot at, burned and all the horrible things people do to these innocent animals. We have saved over 16,000 dogs and cats and are still counting. That's over 500 a year! All our animals here at Animal Friends Connection stay with us until they get adopted into their furrever loving homes. Please help us keep Animal Friends Connection stay at its current location and donate to us because we won't be able to make it without your help! For additional information: email

office@animalfriendsconnect.org

We are wishing a MERRY CHRISTMAS TO ALL!!!



We need all of the help, donations and supplies for our cats and dogs you can afford to help with all year and especially during the holidays. As everyone is well aware of this year has been difficult for everyone. Thank you!



Latest News:

While we have not been able to hold our regular fundraisers we have been able to post on Facebook and request help for our injured cats and dogs needing major medical help this year. Everyone has been generously giving. Our most recent is a little 8 month old boy hit by a car a few doors down from the sanctuary. He had severe pelvic trauma. His left sacral-iliac joint was dislocated and his right hip is broken at the pelvis and dislocated at the femoral head. Surgery was needed at this point and would cost around \$4,746. We needed help to help this dog who was in severe pain. He was on pain meds and was safe but he couldn't walk though he had a small wag to his tail. We are so grateful that we raised this unbelievable amount in 24 hours!! Papas was having surgery 30 hours later as we were able to get him into an orthopedic surgeon. We are also able to get him neutered at the same time thanks to the amount raised. We also have a wonderful foster who has dealt with disabled dogs she also has Winnie who just had her leg amputated after someone shot her and shattered her tiny leg bone. This little guy also had to have his leg amputated and pins put in his pelvis. Again we can't thank everyone enough for helping. It warms our hearts that everyone came through to save this sweet dog!! We will post an update with after surgery pictures and let everyone know how he is doing. Again, "thank you" to all that have donated and shared!!

To the world you are one person, To a rescued animal, you ARE THE WORLD!

Our Virtual Fiesta dinner was a huge success. While it wasn't the same as an actual location which usually had anywhere from 239 to over 250 attend, we did sell 147 tickets for our first virtual event and also had an awesome Silent Auction. We appreciated that so many of our animal friends supported us this year and we thank El Pazcifico Mexican Grill & Cantina in downtown Lodi for catering the event right in their restaurant. Juan and his wife Isabel, owners as well as the committee, did a wonderful job especially since it was the first time doing an event like this. We asked for pictures and Linda Roach with her group were the only ones that sent one. Here they are enjoying the comradery. THANK YOU EVERYONE! We love all of you!



HELP!!

We are in need of CAT VOLUNTEERS for cleaning our CAT CAGES in both Stockton and Lodi at our Petco locations. The cages need cleaning both morning and evening 7 days a week so that takes a lot of volunteers. Please contact us @ 209-401-4773.



Thank You All So Much

KUDOS TO OUR WONDERFUL STAFF WHO GO ABOVE AND BEYOND SEVEN DAYS A WEEK YEAR ROUND. They are Awesome.!

Thanks to all of our Sanctuary volunteers, Cat and Dog Foster home volunteers, Web site and Facebook, our Newsletter Editor, Board members, DONORS THAT CONSTANTLY DROP items OFF THAT WE NEED and use on a daily basis AND ALL OF OUR WONDERFUL MONETARY DONORS. There are so many people that we can't begin to name them all but please know that you are all very much appreciated.

Happy Tails



Our sweet little Annie is adopted and in a furrever home! She was abandoned on our door step in a trap and was 'skin & bones'. She has really come a long way to being healthy. The Garcia family adopted 2 kitties from us last year and now were able to add a third!! Little 'orphan' Annie is now 'Galaxy' (on top) and has a brother (Midnight in the middle) and a sister (Luna on the bottom). The family says: "She's such a sweetie and a great addition to our family!!"

Thanks, Garcia family for caring so much and giving these little fur babies a wonderful home!



Allie (terrier) is doing great and Miso accepted her within a couple hours of being home. She doesn't seem to like the dry food too much, but loves the wet food. I tried mixing the two together and she'll spit out the dry food until the wet

food is gone, and then will eat some of the dry. We've been taking them on walks and she loves to run...like a puppy should. She's been very mellow, getting used to her new surroundings and has been alternating sleeping with my two daughters. She hasn't had any accidents inside the house and has been a very good girl.

--Ryan Okimura

This sweet dog 'Happy' was adopted by a couple in Stockton about 3 years ago Every holiday I get a beautiful greeting from them, always signed by my former foster dog "Happy" This was the labor day greeting I received:

Dear Donna—We pups went to our friend Brittany's while mom and dad went away for a few days. Back home now I'm sharing a chair with Dad and gazing at Mom with my big brown eyes. Thank you for my wonderful family.
Love, "Happy"



Leah had always helped her Grammie (Linda - a long time kitty foster) with the foster cats and kittens. She and her family decided it may be time to be a foster themselves and help to save more kitties! The 'plan' was to just foster (LOL) and let them all go to adoptions when they were ready. However, Leah fell in love with little 'Birdie' and decided to adopt her (that was just one!). As the weeks went by, and it got closer to adoption time, the other family members were falling in love with 'Little' and 'Big Boy' too! So it looks like the 3 sibling will be a family foster failure and stay together as one big happy family! Now the 3 siblings have their furrever home! We think Grammie Linda is having a great laugh now knowing that her family may understand why she's been a foster failure! Thanks, Leah, for being an up-and-coming kitty lady - it must be hereditary!

Jessie's story: "On June 24th while I was at work someone called the store and said there was a kitten outside and it didn't look good. I went out and scooped up this frail, goopy eyed and very upset little black kitten. I gave him a bath and he went limp in my hands. I thought he wasn't going to make it, but after getting him to eat and drink a little bit he seemed like he would be ok. For some reason I felt like it was my responsibility to care for him, so I fostered him through AFC. I brought him home and we named him Smudge. After a few days and a vet visit he regained a lot of strength and his goopy eye cleared up with medication. He started trusting us and being more playful. The days went on and I kept thinking about having to give him up once he was ready and it made me sad to think about leaving him. I always said I wasn't really much of a cat person but here I was falling in love with this kitten. He fit in so well with our little family, we all loved him so much. We decided we would be his forever home. Today I am officially a foster failure (again lol). Welcome to the family Smudge, you're so loved!



Can't believe it has already been one week with our newest family member **Frenchie!** He is a love bug and has such a sweet disposition. He has settled in well and Teddy is enjoying his company. They play together every day, it is so cute :)
Best, Cathy

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WISH LIST

Animal Friends Connection Humane Society has many wishes. These wishes are things that can help us do a better job at helping the animals in our adoption/foster network. Also, these wishes can improve or expand our organization to be able to help more homeless animals. Below is a list of our current wishes:

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| Dog food - Canidae "All Stages" | Collars that are for small Dogs (size's 7-11 and 11-14) we have plenty of large dog collars |
| Dry dog food, Kirkland Chicken & Rice dry dog food (red bag) | Blow dryer to dry dogs after bathing |
| Kirkland rom Costco Natures Domain canned dog food | Postage stamps |
| Cat Food - Felidae dry cat food | Break-away cat collars (or stretch kitten collars) |
| Kirkland dry cat food, Natural Balance or Blue Buffalo or Nutro for the Cats | COT style cat and dog beds, or gently used beds and cots |
| Friskies canned cat food and other higher quality canned cat foods | Smaller twin-size blankets for the dogs that sleep inside |
| Treats for Cats and Dogs (please made in the USA only) – Nutro Greenies are also a good treat for cats (not for dogs) | Small blankets for the cat beds (baby blankets work well) |
| Cat litter – "Litter Perfect" from Costco, or other high quality litter | A handy-person willing to donate time. We need repairs inside and outside, as well as electrical work |
| Cleaning products such as bleach (we go through at least 24 two gallon bottles of bleach every month) | Roll out Lawn to redo the back lawn at the sanctuary |
| Laundry detergent, Pine-sol - mops, brooms- squeegee | Van to transport our dogs and cats |
| Paper towels and toilet paper | Land or a house with a little property, located (if possible) between Stockton and Lodi for a permanent adoption center/shelter. We have outgrown our location. *** |
| Toys for Cats and Dogs (toy's that have a squeaker in them for the Dogs but no stuffing) | |
| Four foot leashes for the Dogs | |

We send our adopted dogs home with smaller blankets that they have slept on for a night or two. People tell us that the dog uses it as their comfort blanket forever, so we are happy to have sent one along. They can sometimes be purchased at places like Walgreens, CVS pharmacy, Target, etc. They can also be made by purchasing fabric, cut in strands at the edges then tied, making a nice double blanket. Girl Scouts and other individuals have made these for us. Please call and we can tell you the size. For more ideas call (209) 365-0535. Cash donations are always needed and appreciated so we can purchase other necessary items.

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November 2019 - October 2020

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