



Animal Aid Communiqué

Keeping you updated on the latest news from Animal Aid of Tulsa

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ANIMAL AID OF TULSA IS A 501(C)(3) NON-PROFIT ANIMAL WELFARE ORGANIZATION FOUNDED IN 1961. OUR MISSION IS TO RESCUE SICK, INJURED, OR ABUSED STRAY CATS AND DOGS IN TULSA, OKLAHOMA AND HELP THEM FIND LOVING FOREVER HOMES.

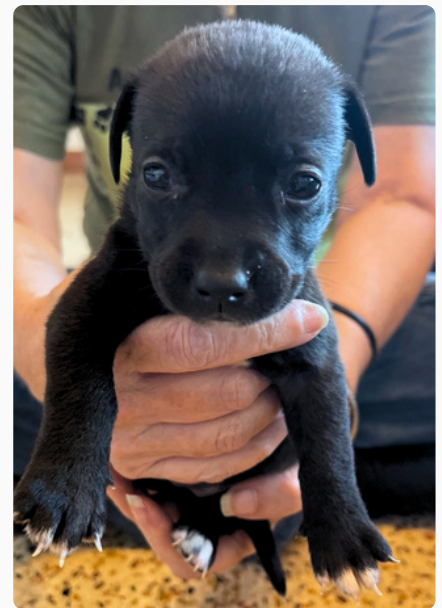
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It's a Puppy Palooza!



Meet some of our newest rescues- a litter of nine puppies! These babies were left in a box outside of our thrift store on November 10th with a note that their mother was deceased. These puppies will be given names after Disney characters, which is why we call them "The Disney Litter." They are in good health, and we have found some wonderful foster homes for them! These puppies are set to go on transport in December!

CABIN BOYS BREWERY ADOPTION EVENT

Santa decided to drop by early when he heard we were at Cabin Boys Brewery for an adoption event! Everyone loved meeting our pups Winter and Serena, along with our kitty representative Salvador. Thank you to everyone who showed up to support us!

Pictured to the right: Santa holding Salvador (far right), Santa with Winter (upper left), and Santa with Serena (lower left). Photos are from our Cabin Boys Brewery adoption event, Nov 11th, 2023.



Pet Supplies Plus Adoption Event

Tio and Serena had a blast meeting new people at our Pet Supplies Plus adoption event!

We would like to thank Pet Supplies Plus for their generous donations, and for allowing us to have adoption events at their store. Every event helps us adopt out our rescues!

Pictured to the left: Tio looking excited to meet everyone (far left and top right), Serena with Santa (bottom right). Pictures taken at our Pet Supplies Plus adoption event, Dec 2nd, 2023.

Understanding FIV in Cats

Animal Aid of Tulsa would like to address a significant issue: FIV+ cats are less likely to be adopted from shelters. This trend is rooted in misconceptions about Feline Immunodeficiency Virus (FIV), which affects cats' immune systems. We are committed to changing this narrative by educating potential adopters and showcasing that with proper care, FIV+ cats can have happy and fulfilling lives, much like their non-FIV counterparts.

These cats are capable of playful, affectionate behavior and can form strong bonds with their human families. The key to their health is a secure indoor environment, consistent veterinary care, and a balanced diet. These practices help FIV+ cats enjoy lifespans comparable to other domestic cats. Our mission is to dispel myths and open doors to loving homes for these deserving felines.



Meet Tommy Fury, an FIV+ cat waiting to find his forever home. He was pulled from a shelter during the latter half of 2023, where he was found malnourished and with a gnarly eye wound. After lots of care, Tommy is now happy, healthy, and patiently waiting to be adopted.

Fact vs Fiction: Common FIV Misconceptions

- ❌ **Fiction:** FIV is highly contagious among cats, and can be transmitted to humans.
- ✅ **Fact:** FIV transmission primarily occurs through deep bite wounds, often in aggressive encounters. Casual contact, such as sharing food bowls or mutual grooming, doesn't typically spread the virus. It's also species-specific, meaning it cannot be transmitted to humans.
- ❌ **Fiction:** FIV+ cats are constantly ill and have significantly shortened lifespans.
- ✅ **Fact:** While FIV affects the immune system, many FIV+ cats remain symptom-free for years and can live long, healthy lives with appropriate care. Regular health checks and preventive measures play a crucial role in maintaining their well-being.
- ❌ **Fiction:** FIV+ cats must live isolated from other animals to prevent spreading the virus.
- ✅ **Fact:** FIV+ cats can coexist with non-FIV cats and other pets, especially in a stable environment where aggressive behavior is minimal. The risk of transmission in peaceful, non-aggressive settings is significantly low.

Sources: ASPCA, The Humane Society of the United States, Alley Cat Allies

WAYS TO HELP

FOSTER - Fostering helps not only our animals' emotional well-being, but also helps keeps costs down by reducing boarding fees. Apply at animalaid.org/foster.

ADOPT - Visit our website for adoption event schedule and information on available pets. You may also email us at animalaidoftulsa@gmail.com if you have questions about specific animals.

MONETARY DONATIONS - Monetary donations can be mailed to: Animal Aid of Tulsa, 6811 E 21st Street, Tulsa, OK 74129. You can also donate on our website animalaid.org/donate.

SUPPLY DONATIONS - We are always in need of dog/cat food, litter, treats, etc. for the animals already in our care. Donations of amazon.com or chewy.com gift cards are greatly appreciated so we can order supplies directly from merchants.

SHOP AT ANIMAL AID THRIFT STORE - Our thrift store is located at 6811 E 21st St (just east of 21st and Sheridan). Our hours are Monday - Saturday from 10am to 5pm. Donations are accepted Tuesdays, Thursdays, and Saturdays from 11am to 4pm.

PARTNERS - We have a list of partners on our website at animalaid.org/partners. Some of them offer incentives (percentage of their sales are donated to Animal Aid) to us when you use the links provided on our website.

SOCIAL MEDIA - Please follow us on Facebook, Instagram, Twitter (@animalaidtulsa), and TikTok (@animalaidoftulsa) and share our stories and posts with your friends and family members. We need as much exposure we can get! Animal Aid Thrift Store has its own Facebook and Instagram pages (@shopanimalaid) where you can be the first to see unique treasures and great deals!

THANK YOU FOR BELIEVING IN OUR MISSION!

Join Paws With Us: Volunteer at Animal Aid of Tulsa!

At the heart of every community are individuals who give their time and energy to make the world a better place. Animal Aid of Tulsa could not do it without our amazing support system and community. However, as the demands grow, so does the need for dedicated volunteers.

Each volunteer brings a unique set of skills and a shared love for animals, contributing significantly to the welfare of our rescues. If you feel inspired by our mission and wish to make a positive impact, we invite you to 'join paws with us' and become a part of our team.

Education

Education is key to prevention. Volunteers in this area help spread awareness about responsible pet ownership, animal welfare, and the importance of spaying and neutering. They represent us in schools, community groups, and events, helping us shape Tulsa into a more animal-friendly community.

Foster Program

Fosters are heroes without capes. They provide temporary homes for animals in need, offering love, care, and socialization. As a foster volunteer, you are the bridge to a better life for these animals, preparing them for their forever homes.

Fundraising

From organizing events to brainstorming new fundraising ideas, these volunteers are the driving force behind our financial resources. Their creativity and enthusiasm help to ensure that we have the funds needed to continue our work.

Animal Socialization

These volunteers spend time with our animals, providing them with much-needed love and socialization. This interaction not only enriches the lives of the animals but also increases their chances of being adopted!

Thrift Store

Our thrift store is not just for shopping; it's a lifeline for the animals we care for. Volunteers in this area play an important role in managing donations, organizing merchandise, and keeping the store clean and tidy.

Adoption Follow-Up

These volunteers are our post-adoption angels, ensuring that our animals are thriving in their new homes. They maintain contact with adoptive families, offering support and advice, and ensuring a smooth transition for both the animal and the family.

Branding and Media

In the digital age, visibility is crucial. Volunteers skilled in marketing and branding help us tell our story, manage our social media presence, and design materials that draw attention to our cause.

Grants

These volunteers have a knack for writing and research. They help identify and apply for grants, ensuring a steady flow of resources vital for our operations and growth.

THRIFT STORE TREASURES



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**WE HAVE TONS OF
UNIQUE ITEMS,
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CLOTHING,
JEWELRY, DECOR,
AND MORE!**



ANIMAL AID OF TULSA MERCH

Sold at Animal Aid of Tulsa Thrift Store
6811 E 21st St, Tulsa, OK, 74129

CALENDARS: \$20.00

Our 2024 calendar features just a small fraction of our rescues, but it has a huge impact! Each calendar sale helps us fund our mission- to rescue Tulsa's sick and injured cats and dogs. Each month features a cat or dog that we have rescued and rehabilitated, and we hope seeing these shining stars will make your months brighter in 2024!



STICKERS: \$3.00

These limited edition 3" stickers are waterproof, weatherproof, and holographic. They are perfect for your car, your favorite water bottle, and even your laptop or phone! Once they sell out, they will be gone for good- grab yours today!

T-SHIRTS: \$25.00

Want everyone to know that you support our organization? Need a gift for someone who loves animals? Our soft and stylish t-shirts are available in different colors- and are perfect for many occasions! Plus, proceeds from these shirts go towards our organization!

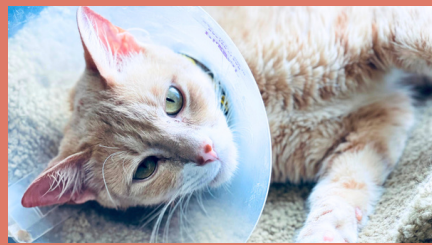
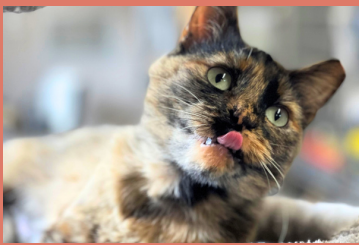




Join Animal Aid

your membership helps animals in need

Become a member of Animal Aid of Tulsa today to help dogs and cats right here in the Tulsa area! Membership helps Animal Aid fulfill its mission to save sick, injured, and abused stray dogs and cats in Tulsa, Oklahoma and its surrounding communities. Since 1961, Animal Aid has provided veterinary care and foster homes for these animals that would likely die or be euthanized without our help.



Annual Membership Levels & Benefits

Animal Lover Levels – benefits: newsletter, vote at annual meeting

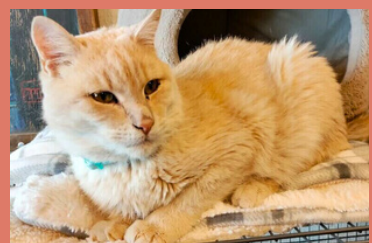
- Paw Pals (senior or student) – \$35
- Animal Allies (Individual) - \$50
- Critter Crew (Family) - \$75

Animal Protector Levels – benefits: same as Animal Lover level plus: AAT t-shirt & calendar, 15% everyday thrift store discount, recognition on website

- Furry Friends - \$150 (or \$15/month)
- Buddy Brigade - \$300 (or \$30/month)
- Tail Waggers - \$500 (or \$50/month)

Animal Champion Levels – benefits: same as Animal Protector level plus: name an animal, pet portrait (part of People Painting Pets fundraiser), reduced ticket price for fundraisers, special playdate with an adoptable cat or dog

- Welfare Warriors - \$1,000 (or \$100/month)
- Remarkable Rescuers - \$2,500 (or \$250/month)
- Gentle Giants - \$5,000 (or \$500/month)





LEAVE A LEGACY BY HELPING FURRIES THERE ARE MANY WAYS TO MAKE IT HAPPEN

NO MATTER HOW LARGE OR SMALL the contribution, your gift to Animal Aid of Tulsa can have an impact that extends beyond your lifetime - helping save the lives of homeless sick, injured and abused cats and dogs in your community. And the best part is that you can make your gift using any of a long list of options. Simply choose what works best for you.

More common ways to give include:

- Tax-Free IRA Distributions
- Charitable Gift Annuity
- Gift of Stock
- Cash Gift
- Gift of Land
- Donor-Advised Funds

A donor-advised fund is a convenient tax-deductible charitable giving program that makes it easy for donors to dedicate tax-deductible funds to support a nonprofit organization. Once you establish this fund, you can recommend grants to Animal Aid of Tulsa to support our mission. For more information, please contact your professional advisor.



INFORMATION PLEASE:

Please send me information on how to include Animal Aid of Tulsa in my will.

I have already included Animal Aid of Tulsa in my will. (All wishes for anonymity will be honored)

Name _____

Address _____

City/State/Zip _____

Phone Number _____ Best time to call _____

Mail to: Animal Aid of Tulsa, 6811 E. 21st St, Tulsa, OK 74129



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February 17th is Animal Aid of Tulsa's

63RD BIRTHDAY!

Join us for an online birthday auction!



***The auction will be held on
Give Butter February 17th-
24th. Proceeds benefit
Animal Aid of Tulsa.***

