

How Can You Help The Animals?

The Foundation provides a donation opportunity for those who wish to assist Los Angeles County animals in need. Your contributions to the Foundation support valuable programs; such as adoptions, spay-and-neuter programs, and direct support to ensure the safety and comfort of shelter animals. Your gift will help these programs continue during the next year, and help sustain vital lifeline programs to shelter animals in need.

Unless designated for a specific purpose, your donation will be used for unrestricted funding of Foundation programs.

Donations may be made in honor of a beloved pet, or in the name of a friend or family member as a thoughtful way to recognize their compassion for animals while supporting our mission. Your donation will be gratefully acknowledged on our website, and the honoree will receive a notification that you have sent a gift designated in his/her honor.

Sponsorship Opportunities

LEADERS OF THE PACK - \$2,500 and up

Benefits:

- Special certificate of recognition
- 4 tickets to annual event
- 4 honorary customized tiles permanently displayed at choice of County shelter
- Quarterly newsletter



DEDICATED DREAMERS - \$1,000 - \$2,499

Benefits:

- 3 tickets to annual event
- 3 honorary customized tiles permanently displayed at choice of County shelter
- Quarterly newsletter



BRIDGE BUILDERS - \$500 - \$999

Benefits:

- 2 tickets to annual event
- 2 honorary customized tiles permanently displayed at choice of County shelter
- Quarterly newsletter



TOP DOGS - \$250 - \$499

Benefits:

- 1 ticket to annual event
- 1 honorary customized tile permanently displayed at choice of County shelter
- Quarterly newsletter



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Department of Animal Care and Control
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RETURN SERVICE REQUESTED

PURRFECT PALS - \$50 - \$249

Benefits:

- Quarterly newsletter



FAITHFUL FRIENDS

Make a special monthly commitment of your choice. Easy, and automatic.

Benefits:

- 1 ticket to annual event (with a minimum pledge of \$25 per month)
- Quarterly newsletter

THANK YOU FOR YOUR SUPPORT

My Name: _____

My Address: _____

My City, State, and Zip: _____

I'd like to make a donation in the amount of: \$ _____

Purpose: Unrestricted Restricted:

In honor of: Name: _____ Address: _____

City, State, and Zip: _____

Tile information: Name: _____ Breed: _____

- I would like more information on your trusts and wills program
 I would like to remain an anonymous donor

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Faithful Friends

SPRING '07 NEWSLETTER



HEADLINE STORY

Thanks to the hard work and dedication of the County of Los Angeles Department of Animal Care & Control, the ordinance requiring that all dogs are sterilized and microchipped passed last year. This remarkable achievement was the first county-wide legislation of its kind in the country and has recently been the catalyst for the same rulings passed in West Hollywood, San Bernardino and Sacramento.

TWO CATS SAVED JUST IN TIME

Two kitties scheduled for euthanasia at the Carson shelter have found a wonderful new home!! The kitties could not have gone to a better person!

The sick two-month-old tabby, known as Marley, arrived with an upper-respiratory infection but got better each passing day. He has a congenital defect that cannot be reversed according to the vet, which renders him 90 percent blind.

The eight-year-old Tortie, known as Janis, has some kidney problems and is on a low-protein diet to slow the progression of (possible) early renal failure. She is very sweet and loves to nap under the covers!! Janis is very sociable and loves her new brother.



Look what's inside

**Former Race Horse Finds Shelter & Love
Legislative Advancements
Calling all volunteers!!!
Save-the-Date!!
Upcoming Foundation Project
The Calendar**



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FORMER RACE HORSE FINDS SHELTER & LOVE



This thin, weary horse was impounded at our Lancaster shelter. Our shelter staff opened their arms and hearts to further assist him by providing multiple vet visits, sound nourishment, and a new blanket for the cold nights. Thanks to their efforts and dedication, the horse was placed with a rescue.

At first, the horse, a thoroughbred gelding was estimated to be about 30 years old, but the vet later was able to determine that it was due to his unlucky life experiences that he appeared so old and tattered. After research of an obscure tattoo, it was concluded that he was merely 12 years old and that he ran his last race in 2001 in San Francisco. This gentle, sweet horse is just one of many lives our compassionate staff has changed for the better.

WHAT'S IN A NAME?

When Bear, this adorable but extremely unkempt shaggy male dog, was relinquished to our Baldwin Park shelter, it was obvious that he needed a lot of TLC. His coat was extremely matted, and that kept him from being readily adopted. However, he was

transferred to our Downey shelter, where our dedicated volunteers furthered his chances to get a new loving home by cleaning him up and taking him to an off-site adoption event.

While he munched on chicken treats at the shelter and waited patiently, one of the shelter staff members recognized that Bear might be a Bergamasco Sheepdog—a very rare dog—and called Great Pyrenees Rescue to evaluate him.

The rescue representative agreed and got him to Bergamasco Rescue, which placed Bear with new owners who immediately whisked him off to a groomer to shave off a five-pound pelt of matted fur. Thanks to this collaboration of love and persistence, Bear is now with people who will care for him in a way he has never known but rightfully deserves!



LEGISLATIVE ADVANCEMENTS

On January 1, 2007 California became first state in the nation to pass a law to limit the chaining and tethering of dogs. SB 1578, otherwise known as “the tethering law,” makes it illegal to tether, fasten, chain, tie or restrain a dog to a doghouse, tree, fence or any other stationary object for more than three hours in a 24-hour period. This law works in conjunction with California Penal Code Section 597t which states that confined animals must have access to food, water and shelter. Violation of the new law could result in an infraction or misdemeanor or be punishable by a fine not to exceed \$1,000 per dog and/or six months in County jail.

Equally important legislation passed and already in effect is Penal Code Section 597.7, which prohibits leaving an animal in an unattended motor vehicle under conditions that endanger the animal's health or well-being. In conjunction with Penal Code 597a, this law will help enforce cruelty cases related to the unnecessary suffering of animals, such as leaving them in a closed car in the hot sun.

BABY CAKES & HONEY TRIUMPH



Caring firefighters at the station on Cornell Road in Agoura Hills contacted our Agoura Shelter to alert them to a possible extreme neglect case involving a family of bunnies. Sadly, Mama Bunny and two female babies were found dead in the cage. L.A. County Animal Control-Officer Brett Farlow confiscated the remaining pair. The rabbits appeared to be about 2 weeks old. The black bunny who was named “Baby Cakes” had only three legs. Her sister, “Honey,” was healthy. Both bunnies were examined and deemed too young to be at the shelter. Along came kind foster mama Terri, and the two bunnies were added to her brood. Despite her disability, Baby Cakes and her sister Honey grew to be healthy rabbits thanks to all the love and good care provided by Terri and her family. Both Baby Cakes and Honey were recently adopted together to a loving family.

OUR NEW LOOK



Have you noticed our new look? Los Angeles County Animal Care Foundation is getting a make-over! From our upgraded website, to a new informative brochure, and planning the first annual event, we are gearing up for a brighter, better future for the shelter animals in our care, and expanded communication with animal lovers throughout Los Angeles County. The development of these functions will enable us to help more animals.

**Save-the-Date!!
FALL '07**

Our first annual fundraising event!
The Enhancement Awards: an evening of music, stories and special performances, & honoring those who enhance the lives of animals in Los Angeles County. Detailed information will be posted on our website soon.

SPAY & NEUTER TODAY!

The Calendar

Recently celebrated:
February 14th: Hope you and your pets cozied up together, or perhaps you found a new furry love?
February 27th:
Spay Day. A nationally-recognized day to promote the benefits of spay and neuter.

ADOPT A PET - GAIN A FRIEND!

UPCOMING FOUNDATION PROJECT

Los Angeles Animal County Animal Care Foundation is coordinating a weekend spay-and-neuter extravaganza near our Lancaster shelter in the Antelope Valley the weekend of **May 19th - 21st**. We need volunteers and welcome additional partners. If you are interested in helping, please visit our website to contact us.

April is "Prevention of Animal Cruelty" month

MAY "Be Kind to Animals" Week
"Dog Bite Prevention" Week