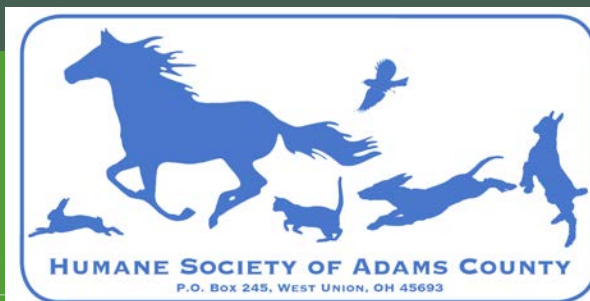


Bug is available to adopt!



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THANK YOU

To our WONDERFUL volunteer drivers! Every month, volunteers save HSAC hundreds of dollars by transporting pets to/from vet appointments. Thank you!!



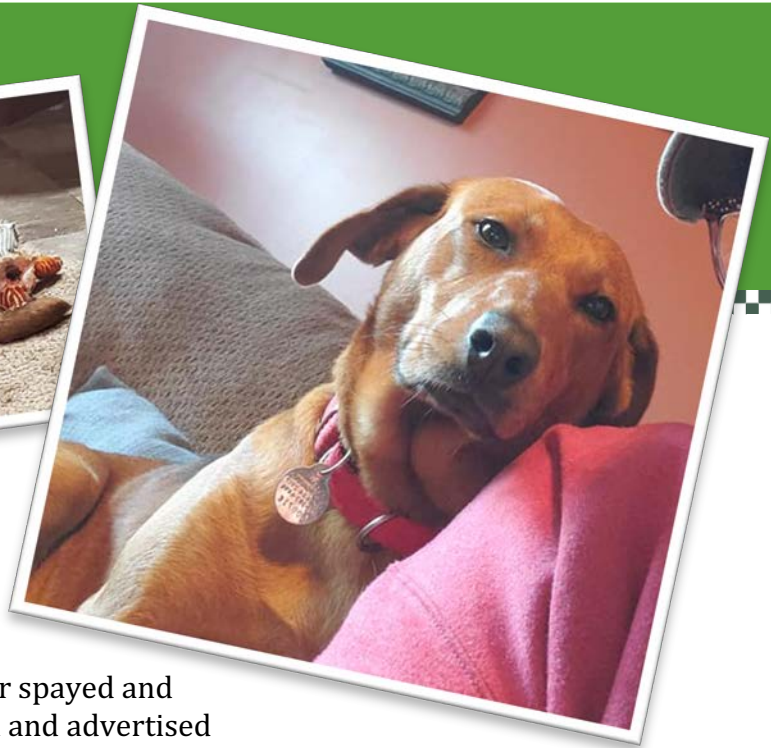
Molly's Heartworm Journey

Molly the Black Labrador Retriever was surrendered to the animal shelter in mid-December 2020 because she was being kept as an outdoor dog and her former owners felt she was not getting the attention she deserved. Their decision probably saved her life.

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Girl

Just before Thanksgiving in 2020, we got a call from a family in West Union, Ohio. A very timid and extremely pregnant stray had arrived at their property about two and a half months earlier. The family took her in and "Girl", as they called her, had a litter of puppies. The family cared for Girl and her puppies until the puppies were weaned and no longer needed their mama.

Once the puppies were off to their new homes, Girl was brought to the animal shelter. She was so scared! Loud, noisy kennels are terrifying places for timid animals like Girl. The new sights and smells of an animal shelter, as well as the dozens of strangers that come through the building each day, test the mettle of even the most socialized dogs. Poor Girl was neither socialized nor trusting.

We had her spayed and vaccinated and advertised her for adoption, but she did not "show well" at the shelter. Girl would retreat to the farthest corner of her kennel and cower in fear whenever a stranger walked past.

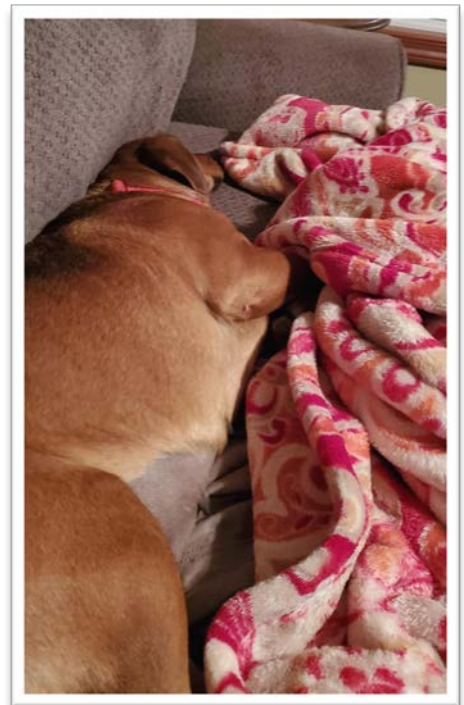
Finally, on January 12, a wonderful partner rescue decided to accept Girl into one of their foster homes.

Here is what they wrote to us, "She is a very timid dog and we weren't sure how long it would take her to trust humans. The answer to that was 48 hours, all thanks to McDonald's French fries."

We are so happy to report that Girl is thriving in her foster home. She is well on her way to finding a loving forever home of her own.

We could not help rescue dogs like Girl without your help - thank you!

Girl thanks you for helping HSAC save her!





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After she arrived at the animal shelter, Molly was quickly placed in a foster-to-adopt home with a family that had been searching for a rescued Black Lab for months. As with all of our foster placements, HSAC takes care of the needs of the pet until it is officially adopted. Molly was scheduled to be examined by a licensed veterinarian so that she could be spayed and vaccinated prior to being made available for adoption. Sadly, Molly tested positive for canine heartworm disease during that first vet visit. Due to Molly's young age and general overall good health, we are hopeful that she will be able to beat her diagnosis. HSAC is working with Molly's veterinarian and her foster family to have her treated. The treatment involves antibiotics and carefully monitored injections of medicine to kill the parasites inside her heart. Molly must be kept calm and quiet for several weeks - no easy task



for a fun-loving lab! Once Molly has completed her treatment for heartworm, her foster family hopes to make her a permanent member of their family. They are already totally in love with her, especially her two little human "siblings"!

For more information about pets available for adoption at the HSAC animal shelter in West Union, please visit our website at www.AdamsCountyAnimals.org





We Love Our Volunteers!!!

You love animals, you want to make a difference in your community, and you have a few spare hours to give. Call us today!

Did you know that the Humane Society of Adams County was run completely by volunteers for the first nine years of its existence? Volunteers still take care of memberships, fundraising, public outreach, social events, education, and most donation drives. Our staff is amazing and they are there for the care of the animals and the smooth operations of the Animal Shelter, but we still rely on volunteers to do most of the behind-the-scenes work that keeps the Humane Society humming. We would love to have you join us!

Volunteers for HSAC enjoy several great perks: getting to work for a great cause, meeting like-minded folks who may become lifelong friends, enjoying access to some of the most adorable animals on the planet, and gaining the satisfaction of knowing that their work is making a difference in the lives of homeless pets.

To become a volunteer, please email info@adamscountyanimals.org or visit www.adamscountyanimals.org to fill out a short questionnaire to ensure the best match for your

abilities and interests. Training is provided for free by our knowledgeable Shelter staff. Once you are signed up to volunteer, you can set a schedule and start helping – it's easy, fun, and you'll feel good about yourself for giving back to your community by helping the homeless cats, dogs, puppies, and kittens of Adams County.

Animal Shelter Wish List

- Gasoline Cards for shelter van
- Tractor Supply Pine Pellet animal bedding - 40 pound bags (Used for cat litter)
- Paper Towels
- Money for vet supplies (like antibiotics, vaccines, and other medicines)
- Volunteers to drive pets to/from vet appointments (we often used Bethel Animal Health)
- Nitrile gloves, sizes Medium and Large
- Disposable Slip-on shoe covers
- Gift cards for local feed stores





Butterfly is available to adopt!



Spider Man is available to adopt!

Use HSAC to promote your business!

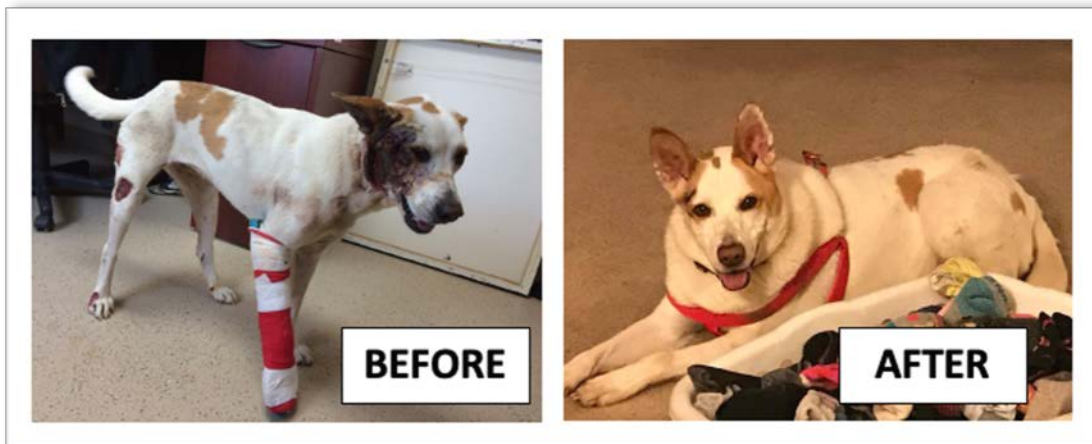
The Humane Society of Adams County is always interested in finding creative ways to partner with local businesses. Whether you sell donuts or doorknobs, we bet there's a way we can promote your goods while helping homeless animals. Consider inviting us to hold an adoption event with cute puppies & kittens in your store. How about a "Stuff-the-Truck" event in which HSAC volunteers hand out lists of needed items to your customers as they enter your store. Your customers add one or two purchases to their shopping list and drop the items off on their way out. You get full retail price and HSAC get much-needed supplies to help the animals!

Show your customers you care about their community and its homeless animals.

Thank you for your support!

Recurring Giving

"Danielle" was hit and dragged by a car in Peebles, Ohio. She was a stray. HSAC was there for her to cover her vet bills and care for her during her 7-month recovery. Danielle is now a beloved member of a family in Fairfield, Ohio.



Sometimes pets take weeks or months to become healthy enough for adoption. Long-term care takes time and money. Setting up a monthly subscription donation helps to budget your gift over the next year—for you and us! Pets like "Danielle" rely on HSAC. Please consider making a small recurring contribution to the animal shelter, because we are the voice for the voiceless animals of Adams County.

All donations are tax-deductible. Checks can be made to "HSAC" and mailed to P.O. Box 245, West Union, OH 45693, or you may schedule automatic withdrawals from a credit or debit card online on our website at www.AdamsCountyAnimals.org. Look for the "Donate" tab and click on "Recurring Giving".