



A Journey of Transformation

Icarus' Story



Earlier this year, we welcomed a puppy from Columbus Animal Care & Control suffering from severe demodex mange. His journey was nothing short of remarkable. When he arrived, he was hairless, swollen, and in immense pain, yet his resilience shone through. Thanks to the dedication of our veterinary team and the loving care of his foster home, this pup made an astounding recovery in just a few months. His skin healed beautifully, his hair grew back rapidly, and he thrived in every possible way.



This incredible transformation underscores the critical importance of monthly

preventions for our pets. With proper care and timely interventions, we can prevent so much pain and suffering. Seeing this pup's rapid recovery is a powerful reminder of what we can achieve with dedication and compassion.

We are thrilled to share that this brave puppy has found his forever home. His new family first encountered him through his photo and story on our website. They were so touched

that they took time off work and drove two hours to our shelter to meet him. Now named Icarus, he has settled into the perfect home with a loving couple and a new dog sibling whom he adores.

Icarus spends his days playing and cuddling with his new furry friend, bringing joy and laughter to his amazing parents. Their love and care have given him a fresh start and a bright future. His journey from a suffering puppy to a cherished family member is a testament to the power of love and the impact of our collective efforts.

We are incredibly grateful for your ongoing support and compassion. Stories like Icarus' would not be possible without your help. Your contributions enable us to rescue,

heal, and rehome pets in need, providing them with the second chance they deserve. Together, we can continue to make a difference, one life at a time. Thank you for being a vital part of our mission and for helping to create more happy endings like Icarus'.





Director's Letter

This past year has been incredibly challenging for us all, especially for humane societies nationwide. The decline in adoptions has resulted in longer shelter stays for our animals, limiting our ability to rescue more at-risk pets from municipal shelters. Simply put, fewer adoptions mean more lives lost.

Additionally, you can become a Foster Advocate by fostering an animal for a short period of time. During the fostering period, you and your pet can participate in offsite events and take visits to parks or animal-friendly stores, increasing their visibility and chances of adoption.

Or, consider becoming a Foster Family, offering a temporary home until pets are ready for adoption or transport to partner locations up north. This vital program aligns with our mission to keep pets out of the shelter system and in loving homes.

Every fostering effort saves lives—both your foster pet's and another at-risk animal. To learn more about getting involved, please email foster@pawshumane.org. Thank you for your support.

Courtney Pierce
Executive Director

In response, we are dedicated to finding innovative ways to advocate for our animals and increase their chances of finding loving homes. Our Foster-to-Adopt program, which will provide all necessary supplies during the foster period, allows you to foster an animal to see if they are a good fit for your family before making the commitment of adoption.

Vet Clinic Update



2,750 spay/neuter surgeries
2,148 wellness appointments



Outreach Update

816 spay/neuter surgeries
392 vet visits provided
5,500+ bags of dog/cat food provided



Volunteer & Foster Update

159 active volunteers

3,743 total hours served

\$119,024.22 saved in salaries

447 foster placements



Adoption Update

767 animals taken in

446 pets adopted

90 transported to partner shelters



Volunteer Highlight

Liz has been a dedicated volunteer at Paws Humane Society for seven remarkable years. By our estimations, she has walked an astounding 11,648 miles and logged 7,000 hours of service. Almost every day, Liz arrives at the shelter with a warm smile and a leash in hand, ready to ensure that every dog gets the exercise and attention they need.

Liz can be found on the trails, her pace steady and her spirit unwavering. Her commitment goes beyond just walking; she spends time with each dog, learning their quirks and personalities, offering them the love and companionship they crave.

Liz's tireless efforts ensure our dogs are healthy, happy, and ready for adoption. Her extraordinary service has made a lasting impact, not only on the animals but on everyone at Paws. Liz's heart and footsteps have truly paved the way to brighter futures for countless dogs.



Get Involved

The mission of Paws Humane Society is to keep pets out of the shelter system and in loving homes. Our vision is to serve as an Animal Resource Center uniting people and pets, building partnerships, and creating solutions to become a no-kill community.

Ways to Give

Support animals with Paws Humane Society! Become a Humane Hero with a monthly donation, make a memorial gift, or get your employer to match your donation. It's easy!

Visit pawshumane.org/ways-to-give



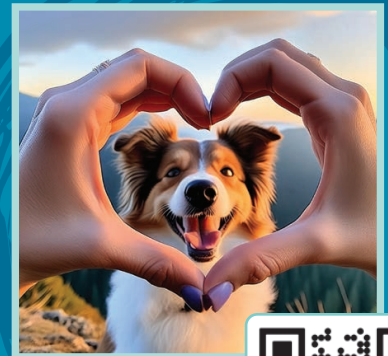
Community Partner Spotlight

A big thank you to Peachtree Mall for supporting our Pets for Life Pet Food Pantries by providing space throughout the year. Learn more or visit them at 3131 Manchester Expressway, Columbus, GA 31909, or online at www.peachtreemall.com.

PEACHTREE MALL

Wish List

- Purina Dog Chow
- Purina Puppy Chow
- Purina Cat Chow
- Purina Kitten Chow
- Peanut Butter (Xylitol Free)
- Tuna in Water
- Bleach (non-scented)



Wish list →



Upcoming Events

Paws & Pals Trunk or Treat

Saturday, October 26th | 11 AM – 2 PM

Join us for our fun and free annual Trunk or Treat event!

Giving Tuesday

Tuesday, December 3rd

Your Gift, Their Future: Donate this Giving Tuesday to be a part of Paws Humane Society's largest single day of fundraising to help at-risk animals.



GIVE ONLINE

Scan the code for a direct link



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