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Our First 30 Years

HALO's Mission is simple: Helping Animals Live On through adoption, sterilization, and pet care education.

What began 30 years ago as an expression of love for animals coupled with a desire to help between a mother and daughter has become a driving force in the community. All you have to do is wear a HALO t-shirt out in public, and you will be told stories by smiling strangers about their beloved pets at home that they adopted through HALO. This newsletter edition is dedicated to our team and our supporters near and far who ensure that we are Helping Animals Live

On now and for the next 30 years! If you'd like to meet the rest of our management team and our board of directors, visit halorescue.org/about.



Visit our shelter, PetSmart adoption center location and our Thrift Boutique to see our compassion in action. Read on to have your heart warmed with our feel-good stories.

Learn More About a Few of Our Amazing Rescues Inside!











A Little Boy's First Puppy









"My son has loved your rescue for years and was so happy to finally pick out a puppy! Picking out his own dog was a gift he earned from getting his black belt! So Kylo means a lot to him! He's been going into PetSmart to look at the dogs for a few years now. He always picked out toys and treats to take back for donations and even read to certain pups he fell for, but we were unable to adopt at the time. He has dyslexia so reading has always been hard for him, but he likes to read

to dogs. He's been reading to Kylo to get him to fall asleep at night. Our other dog is older and is my son's "big sister." She would rather sit there and judge him than play with him. Kylo has been the perfect completion to our little family! Your rescue means a lot to our family!"

Chester is Home

"He has settled into our home like he's always been here. He's cheerful, chirpy and loves being held. He has a fascination with the shower, he is repeatedly taunted by his own tail, and he has played with literally every toy I've bought him. He is the only cat I've ever known to voluntarily touch the vacuum. If there is a crack or crevice anywhere, a paw must go in it. He's been searching for gold in the couch for days. He's curious, friendly and we love him so much."





Jax Got His Smile Back

Sometimes we are here for our animals more than once during their lifetime. Jax was adopted out as a wee lad over ten years ago. Recently, we received a call that he had been abandoned at a dog

park. When we got him back he was in rough shape. Jax was suffering from neglect as well as an ear infection, skin cancer and Valley Fever. Fortunately, we have supporters like you who ensured we could give Jax what he needed so he could be all smiles with his new mom!

Freed Newborn Kittens

These little nuggets arrived one morning with a frantic pet parent looking for help. His cat had given birth the night before, and all the babies' umbilical cords were tangled around each other, making it impossible for them to nurse and therefore survive. Our team jumped into action and carefully untangled the kittens and sent them back home to their momma. Sometimes the community of pet lovers just need a little helping hand, and thanks to you, we're here when they need us.

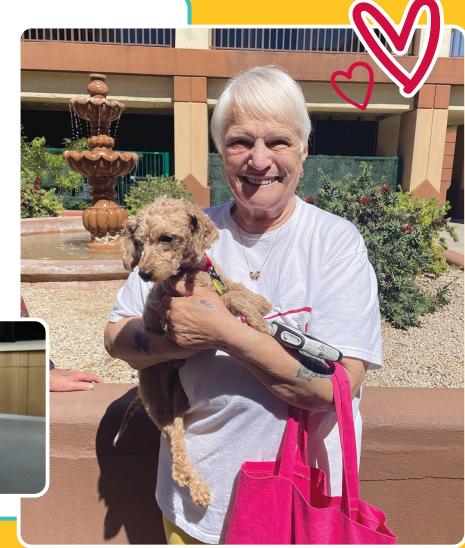




From Neglected to Cherished

Sweet Apricot was found wandering the streets of Phoenix in terrible condition. Your support allowed us to be at the ready to get him the head to tail care he needed. Now, he is warming the heart of his new mom.

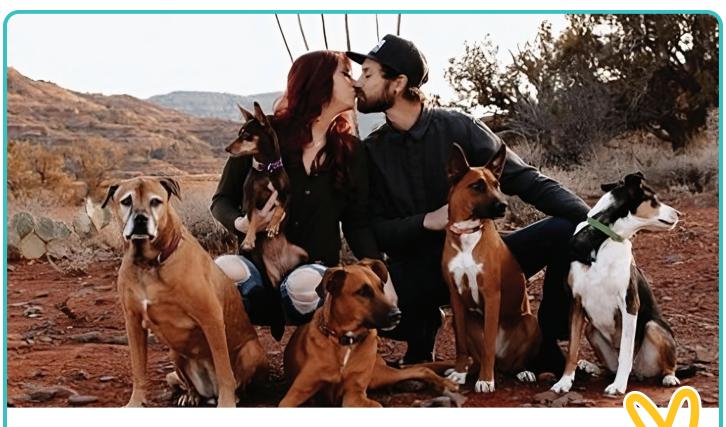




Kotoko is Off the Streets

As part of our work to help our neighborhood, we partner with folks that care for community cats who are often not accustomed to human touch. This gorgeous orange and white girl was found in a feral cat colony, injured and friendly with people. An x-ray revealed a fractured femur that required amputation. She

spent a few weeks in a foster home where she healed beautifully. She made it clear that even with only three legs, she's as nimble as before and is ready for a new home.





Happy 13th Birthday to Cristo

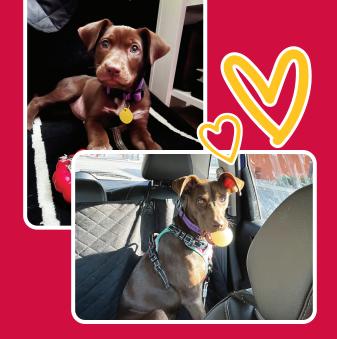
This soulful girl was adopted as a tiny baby from HALO 13 years ago! Her mom tells us she knew instantly that Cristo needed to be hers. Since then, she has adopted three more times from HALO!

"She's been my constant, through every breakup, move, promotion, wheeling adventures, boat trips, getting married, she's done it all with me. Now, she's the best big sister to our other three rescues and has played a big part in shaping these young pups into the best dogs possible. I love my little house hippo and can't imagine my life without her. Here's to hopefully another couple of good years together." Updates like this never get old!

Fitz Fits Right In

Nothing makes us happier than seeing notes from our adopters. Look what this handsome pittie's family had to say about Fitz. "We adopted him just over three years ago. He has many nicknames, including Itzy, Bitz, Itzy Bitsy Spider, Two Bones Jones, and Home Slice. He absolutely loves playing ball with his doggie sister, Chupacabra, and gets along well with his other doggie sister, Abita. We love him so much, his quirky, goofy, adorable self!"





Miss Abby Makes Herself at Home

"We have had Miss Abby Normal, AKA Pecan Pie, for just over a year now. She has been a ball of energy from day one and made herself right at home. She was such a tiny girl but has grown to be a big girl and brought so much life into our home."

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Supporting HALO- Now and for the Future

There are dozens of ways you can support HALO's mission: Rummage sales, Facebook birthday fundraisers, memorial gifts and through our Amazon Wish List just to name a few. When our hot water heaters went out this year, you all sprang into action, ensuring we had the funds necessary to replace them and keep our pets clean and their beds clean and fresh. Here are a few other ways you can support HALO's work now and in the future. Visit halorescue.org/donate for more details.





Angel Club Monthly Giving

By pledging to make a monthly donation, Angel Club members

make a special commitment to the animals with the ease that comes with signing up for an automatic gift each month.

Smart Giving Through IRA as a **Oualified Charitable** Distribution

A Qualified Charitable Distribution (QCD) is a tax-efficient way for people to make

a donation from their IRA, which also counts toward their annual Required Minimum Distribution. Enjoy your retirement knowing you're saving animals' lives.



Planned Giving

Plan a gift for tomorrow that won't cost you anything today. By leaving a gift to HALO in your will, you are joining others who have chosen to build a legacy of saving lives for many years to come.

Vehicle **Donation**

We've made it simple to donate your unwanted car. CARS does all the work for you, and you'll be able to claim fair market value for vour vehicle.

Friends Forever Planning for Your Pet

Ensure your pets have a safety net in place when you are no longer able to care for them. The Friends Forever program ensures your pet will have a place at our shelter, where we care for them until a new home can be found. Been putting off making a will? You can create one for **free** by visiting freewill.com.



Stocks or Other Securities

Donating non-cash assets often comes with greater tax benefits, allowing you to make a larger impact for homeless pets at lower personal financial cost. When you donate to HALO Animal

Rescue, you're investing in a meaningful cause that has the power to bring about positive transformation in our world.

Donor-Advised Funds (DAF)

When you use your DAF balance to grant a gift to HALO, you're investing in Helping Animals Live On.

Letter from the President

More than 82,000 lives saved during our first 30 years, thanks to you! Little did I realize as a 20-year-old in 1994 that the passion my mom and I had for helping homeless pets would turn into creating an organization that is such a pillar in our community. Over the years, I have had countless conversations with people who would say, "I just don't know how you do it! I could never handle seeing all those animals so sad." My response is always, "If not me, then who?" Everyone is born with a passion for something. If we can all harness that passion in a way that brings joy to our own lives while giving a lift to others, we make the world a better place. I know that might sound cheesy or utopian, but it is simple. And you know what? While there is some sadness with rescue work, there is more triumph than tragedy. I'm honored to get to lead this organization comprised of employees, volunteers, and thousands of supporters. You enable us to take each step forward saving lives every day. Cheers to 30 more years!



We'd like to offer a heartfelt thanks to the wonderful organizations that help support HALO's animals!













To learn more about our life-saving programs, visit our website at halorescue.org.

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