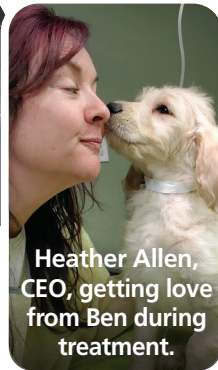


# Paw Prints

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Abandoned puppies in a crate.



Heather Allen, CEO, getting love from Ben during treatment.

## Oodles of Doodles Abandoned Outside Shelter

Shocked does not begin to describe the feeling our team felt when we discovered a wire crate with nine abandoned Golden Retriever mix puppies behind our shelter. These babies were sick with Parvo, a contagious and often-fatal virus, and needed immediate medical intervention. Our CEO has personally treated thousands of very sick pets during her 30 years in animal welfare.

She has an area at her home dedicated to caring for foster pets.

Without hesitation, she scooped these babies up, took them home and cared for them for the next three weeks, providing IV fluids, medication, and round-the-clock care. It was very labor intensive, and she lost two along the way, but seeing them fight this disease and come out the other side as strong, healthy pups made it all worth it! The icing on the cake was seeing the wide-faced smiles of all the adopters who were thrilled to take a pup home.

**Thanks to your support, we were able to jump into action and give these puppies the care they needed right away.**



Willow on adoption day with her new dads.

**Don't forget to vaccinate your pets!**

Learn More About a Few of Our Amazing Rescues Inside!



Almond



Skippy



Birdie



# The Birdie with Yoda Ears

## Meet Birdie

This sweet two-pound terrier mix pup came to us from our partners at the Arizona Humane Society when she needed more medical care than they could offer at that time. She had painful sores all over her body from a disease called juvenile cellulitis, commonly called puppy strangles. Her little swollen muzzle gave her the appearance of having the mumps. We quickly put her on pain medications, antibiotics, and steroids to alleviate her pain and start the healing process. She is enjoying lots of cuddles in foster care and will be available for adoption within a few weeks of treatment.



**Thanks to your support,**  
Birdie was able to get the treatment she needed  
to help her get ready for her forever home.



## Petco Love Grants \$35,000 for Lifesaving Efforts

We are so honored to once again be a recipient of a Lifesaving Grant Award from Petco Love (formerly the Petco Foundation) to assist us in providing excellent care to the animals in need. These grants are made possible thanks to generous shoppers who agree to donate via the pin pads at checkout when making purchases with a credit or debit card. These gifts are generally made \$2 at a time, but add up to millions of dollars each year that are granted to Petco Love's partners, like HALO Animal Rescue. We're so appreciative of the support and cherish our relationship with their team. Thank you Petco Love!



# From Hoarding to Happiness

## Meet the MASH Unit



Laney

Sometimes animals are the victims of human life crises. Some people take on more animals than they can care for or they are hit with an illness or injury that leaves them unable to provide the level of care the animals need to thrive. Others feel they're the only ones who will love the animal and care for them the right way, even when it is obvious to everyone around them that they are not offering even the basics for the animals. Regardless of the reason, HALO is here to help those pets in need. Recently, we helped our partners at the Maricopa County Sheriff's Office MASH unit when they sent out a call for assistance. They removed over 90 cats from one location and also had dozens more pets at their shelter. HALO was able to say yes to 37 cats on our visit to the MASH unit that day. The kitties range in age from newborns with their mommas, like Phoebe and her baby Penelope, to senior Skippy, who is chatty enough to host his own talk show. While we were at their shelter, we were also able to assist four dogs, most of which had been there for two years from a separate hoarding case, like Laney. Francesca was confiscated from a property during a cock fighting bust. Partnering with shelters near and far, we are Helping Animals Live On, and we have you, our supporters, to thank!



Skippy



Francesca



Phoebe and baby Penelope



# Gas Thieves Leave Tanks Dry

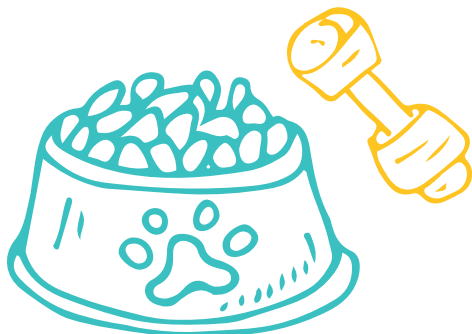
In recent months, HALO's fleet of transport vans have been hit several times by gas thieves. Before sunrise, one day HALO's team stopped at the gas station to fuel up on their way to Rocky Point, Mexico, to pick up 35 dogs from their partner, Barb's Dog Rescue. As the fuel was pumped into the van, it began spilling out the bottom onto the street.



Needless to say, the trip was cancelled for the day while the van went to the shop for repairs. It was discovered that holes were drilled into the tank; a



very costly repair! Thanks to an outpouring of support from the community, we were able to get the vans back on the road within a day. In the subsequent two weeks, the vans were hit three more times, with the gas line being removed to access the fuel in the tank twice and a hole made in the line on a separate occasion. The vans are now parked in a more public-facing location at the shelter and this has helped stop the vandalism. Not even gas thieves can stop us from saving the lives of needy pets!



Since 2009, HALO has been a proud Purina Shelter Champions partner. This partnership donates 100% of the pet food and cat litter HALO needs to serve quality nutrition to our pets from the moment they arrive. They even give a bag of food to each of our adopters so the pets can continue to eat the same high-quality food they were fed at the shelter in their new homes. Serving your pets Purina foods not only provides just the right diet for their needs, it supports homeless animals across the country and ensures Purina has the resources necessary to pay it forward to shelters that need it most. We can't thank them enough for their love and support!

# As Long as It Takes, HALO Is Here for the Pets



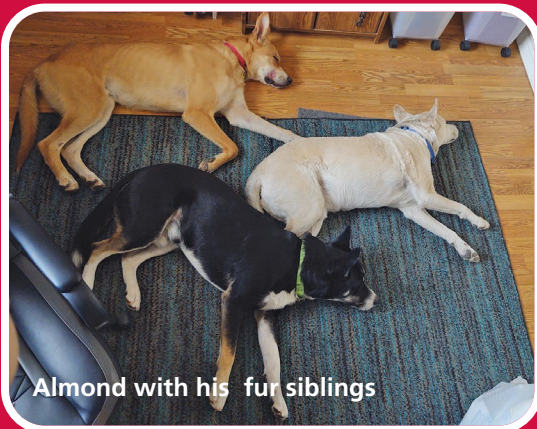
## Meet Almond and Cowaii

Almond and Cowaii were two of HALO's long-time residents. Almond, a Shepherd mix, came to us in early February from a partner shelter in New Mexico. Almond had been in their kennels with no interest from adopters since July 2021! When he arrived he was severely underweight in spite of having ample food offered. His constant panting and pacing in his kennel caused him to lose a lot of weight. It took Almond two months, several nights in foster care, and a few day-foster outings for him to get adopted, but he's now with a loving family with two fur siblings and has a new name, Duke. That's what it's all about!

Cowaii was surrendered to us due to her owner's allergies. The shelter life was very overwhelming to her, and the stress made her sick. We sent her to a foster home where she recovered and decompressed. It took this cow-patterned girl six months to get adopted. At HALO there's no time limit to get adopted. We care for the animals as long as it takes.



Almond



Almond with his fur siblings



Almond on adoption day



Cowaii

# Abandoned Kittens

These sweet faces were found thrown out in the dumpster in this laundry soap box and brought to us by a Good Samaritan. They were dirty, underweight, malnourished and sick with respiratory infections. Fortunately they were saved in time and were put in foster care to recover and grow big and strong. These kittens were one litter of several that we find abandoned each kitten season. With your support we are able to say yes to these five itty-bitty kitties in their time of need.



**With your support**  
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## Will You Leave the World a Better Place?

Pets give us so much love and joy, while asking for little in exchange. One way you can return their love is by including HALO Animal Rescue in your will. Leaving a legacy gift is a unique way to ensure homeless cats and dogs will be safe and cared for even after you're gone.



**Not sure how to get started?**

Call 602-971-9222 ext. 105 or email  
[halosupporter@halorescue.org](mailto:halosupporter@halorescue.org) to request your  
HALO Animal Rescue planned giving package.

# Ramona Finally Gets Some Relief



Thanks to your support,  
we were able to say yes to  
Ramona in her time of need!



Ramona

After years of living in chronic pain due to ear infections that were neglected, Ramona finally got some relief at HALO. This sweet girl arrived as a stray at Yuma Humane Society with newborn babies. For five weeks they sent out pleas to their partners asking them to take her and her puppies. HALO finally had a spot open up for her family, so she was transported from Yuma to Phoenix. We discovered she still had horribly infected ears in spite of YHS's attempts to clear them up. After many vet visits and rounds of antibiotics, Ramona's doctors agreed she needed a surgery called a TECA-BO to remove the ear canal and middle ear on both sides to cure her infection once and for all. Ramona's medical care has cost more than of \$8,000 thus far. We are so grateful to have generous supporters who allow us to provide the care she needs to relieve her pain and give her the quality of life she and all animals deserve. The smile on her face says it all!



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# Letter from the President

Let's all take a collective deep breath and exhale slowly. Good. With the world continuing to deal with the aftermath of COVID-19 in addition to all the other areas of tragedy and strife here and abroad, it's likely many of us have our shoulders permanently affixed to our earlobes due to stress. Remembering to take time for yourself, even if it is just a moment or two where you sit back, close your eyes, and take a deep breath in and out, is critical to our mental health. Do you know what else is good for your health? Pets! Studies have shown time and time again that having a pet helps lower blood pressure, lower stress, and increase happiness. Hearing cats purr releases endorphins. Owning a dog helps keep you physically active and is often the catalyst for forming new relationships since everyone loves to talk about their dog, even to complete strangers.

Working in animal welfare, we are routinely exposed to stressful and sad situations. What better way to combat that anxiety than by being surrounded by animals who show us thanks? The entire team at HALO Animal Rescue, from staff to volunteers, feels like

the luckiest people on the planet to be able to be around the unconditional love of dogs and cats every day. This year started out a bit slow, but as soon as spring hit, it has been non-stop! Our partner shelters that rely on us to help them empty their shelters have been hit hard and need us more than ever to help them save lives. We have formed some new partnerships and picked up where we left off with some others, like our friends from the Navajo Nation in Arizona and New Mexico.

Now that you've taken time to focus on a relaxing breath, raise your right hand high in the air, then bring it down behind your neck and give yourself a giant pat on the back. Better yet, take both of your arms and wrap them around your torso and give yourself a big hug. That is from me and all of us at HALO, thanking you for allowing us to care for these animals each and every day of the year, year after year. **With you by our sides, we are Helping Animals Live On!**



Heather Allen, CEO,  
and her dog, Gulliver

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



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To learn more about our life-saving programs, visit our website at [halorescue.org](http://halorescue.org).

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