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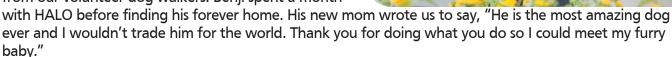
YOU CREATED A SHELTER FOR HELPING ANIMALS LIVE ON

New facility helps homeless pets like Benji find families

Thanks to your support, HALO Animal Rescue and all of our animals moved into a new headquarters location this spring.

Benji was one of the first dogs HALO admitted to the new facility. His care wouldn't have been possible without you. While Benji was in HALO's care he was neutered, vaccinated, cured of a cough, and more.

Benji loved people and he got plenty of attention from our volunteer dog walkers. Benji spent a month







The new headquarters includes 45 dog suites, modular cat suites for 25-40 cats, a puppy nursery, a seasonal kitten nursery, and a cat community room. It also has an industrial washer/dryer, an industrial dishwasher, a central wet/dry vacuum, a grooming room, a classroom, and four indoor play yards. If you'd like to schedule a tour to see the new facility, please give us a call at 602-971-9222. We'd be glad to show you everything your support has made possible!

We can't thank you enough for making this wonderful headquarters location a reality. It means so much to the pets and to everyone involved with HALO. Together, we can continue Helping Animals Live On.

WE'VE MOVED!

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YOUR SUPPORT SAVED DUMPED MOM AND PUPS

Family trapped inside cardboard box rescued and adopted



Belle was taped inside a small cardboard box with her five young puppies. A good Samaritan was dropping off clothes into a parking lot donation bin when she noticed the whimpers coming from a box next to the bin. She ripped the tape off and Belle's head popped right out. From there, Belle and her pups came to HALO.

Belle and her puppies were placed in a foster home. Despite the hardship her family went through, Belle was a model mom. For several weeks, she doted on her babies. They played with the children and the other pets in the home. They were all vaccinated, dewormed, and microchipped. When the time came, they were spayed and neutered. Then mom and pups all found loving homes. Thanks to you, they found the lives they all truly deserve.

SOFIA CAN WALK BECAUSE OF YOU

every day.

You helped heal Sofia's broken leg and gave her a new family

At first glance it looked like Sofia just had a wound on her hip. She hid it so well. She was so outgoing and purred to no end. It seemed that all she was craving was love.

You wouldn't have known how much pain she was in. Behind her desperate pleas for love and attention, Sofia was hiding the pain of a broken leg. Thank goodness she found her way to HALO.

Your support gave Sofia pain medicine, x-rays, a splint, and antibiotics. She stayed on kennel rest for



a few months while she healed. She loved everyone and when you visited her, she would immediately come to the front of her kennel to ask to be petted.

Her soft head-butts said "Thank you" every day.

Sofia's broken leg

healed, but she will always walk with a bit of a limp. Thankfully, she now has a home where she will be cared for and safe. For Sofia, your support was truly a miracle that saved her life and healed not only her leg but also her heart.

HOW HALO SPENDS YOUR GIFTS

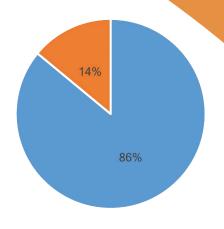
Eighty six cents of every dollar donated directly supports the animals

Your support is important to us. Whether it is \$5 or \$5,000, your gifts are what truly save the animals.

We can't thank you enough!

86 cents of every dollar donated to HALO goes to our animal programs. Only 14 cents of each dollar goes to fundraising and administration.

Adoption fees help but don't cover all the costs of preparing a pet for adoption. Some animals need very little, perhaps just a microchip. While others may need thousands of dollars in medical care. Your gifts make forever homes possible.



- Animal Care and Adoption Programs
- Fundraising and Administration

FIX.ADOPT.SAVE. DECREASES PET EUTHANASIA BY 79% IN MARICOPA COUNTY

Your support of HALO helped meet life-saving community goals

You are truly making our community a safer place for our furry friends. Between 2012 and 2016, the pet euthanasia rate in Maricopa County shelters decreased 79%. In turn, the live release rate for cats and dogs increased from 50% to 83%!

This was the result of a four year campaign called Fix.Adopt.Save. The campaign is a collaboration between major funders, animal welfare groups (including HALO), and the community. The campaign set small goals for each animal welfare group that worked in tandem to reach bigger goals.



Clue was one of the dogs saved by your support of HALO and Fix.Adopt.Save. Your gifts helped give him medical care that cured him of an awful cough. Your support is so critical to solving pet homelessness and euthanasia. We want you to know what a big impact you've had on HALO and the Fix.Adopt.Save. efforts. HALO's part in the Fix.Adopt.Save. campaign touched on three main areas:

- 1) We grew our kitten foster program.
- 2) We rescued, treated, and found homes for more dogs with treatable illnesses and behavioral issues.
- 3) We found homes for more dogs labeled as bully breeds (which helped increase their live release rate from 46% in 2012 to 79% in 2016!)

Many of you directly helped with these efforts. You fostered kittens and shy dogs. You donated to our Sponsor-A-Bull program and our general fund. You adopted waived-fee Adopt-A-Bull dogs. You made it all possible.



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A Letter from the President: HALO's address has changed, but our passion continues

Dear Friends,

We have had an action-packed summer so far! We are all settled in at our new headquarters and loving the new space. Your support has made it possible to serve an area of North Phoenix that has not historically had a large animal welfare presence. Our neighbors near and far are enjoying their visits with us to find their next best friend. This year we are celebrating our 23rd year of life saving efforts!

Our commitment remains as strong today as it did in 1994 when my mother and I vowed to roll up our sleeves and help care for the staggering number of homeless pets in our community. HALO has been a part of the Alliance for Companion Animals in Phoenix since the Alliance began. We are honored to be part of the Alliance's Fix.Adopt.Save. effort that has vastly reduced the number of pets coming into shelters and has resulted in the biggest increase in the number of lives saved in our community's history.

Although our address has changed, our sense of urgency for helping as many needy pets as possible has not! In our first few months at our new location we have helped almost as many pets as we did at our previous location while losing half our housing space. Now that's hustle!

If you have not had a chance to visit our new headquarters, please come by and see us! It would be our pleasure to give you a tour so you can see firsthand where your support goes. For those of you who are out of town, check out our Facebook page for a virtual tour. Visitors give quite a few compliments about how beautiful the shelter is and truly enjoy their time here. Our lease is seven years, so we are settling in and enjoying our new home and neighborhood for many years to come.

With gratitude,

Heather Allen

President and CEO

YOU GAVE PAGE HEALTH AND LOVE

Page was cured of multiple illnesses thanks to your support

When Page came to HALO she had fungal and bacterial infections in her lungs and parasites on her skin. It was a mystery how she had ended up sick, but all of her illnesses were treatable, so we set to work healing her.

Page was a lazy, happy dog. She loved laying in dog beds. She loved to greet you at the door and bring you her toys. She loved to be petted and would roll over at your feet for belly rubs.

Your support made sure Page got the special baths, anti-fungal medication, and antibiotics that she needed. Your support gave her x-rays, blood tests, and skin biopsies to help track her healing progress. Page spent six months under the care of HALO and multiple veterinarians as she fought her illnesses.

Page spent several months on strict kennel rest, but once she was healthy enough, she was allowed more freedom—and fun! Then, Page spent her days in a big dog bed next to the medical team workstations. She greeted everyone who came to visit and at night she hopped right into her kennel. She loved big fluffy beds. The fluffier the bed, the more excited she was for bed time.

When Page was finally well enough to go home, the sweet girl was adopted in no time. It was a bittersweet moment to say goodbye to a wonderful pup we spent so long caring for. Through teary eyes we wished her and her family well. We knew that it wasn't the end, just a new beginning for our sweet Page.

Your support made sure

Page got the medical care she needed.

We'd like to offer a heartfelt thanks to all the wonderful organizations that help support HALO's animals via grants and in-kind donations!

















Q AND A:

HALO FOSTER TRAVELS 1,000 + MILES TO SAVE PUPPY

Julie P. reflects on fostering Angel, a puppy in need of heart surgery

Angel looked like a normal, happy puppy, but she was born with a severe heart-murmur that put her at risk of heart failure. Angel's life was saved by Julie P., a HALO foster. Julie cared for Angel and even drove her from Phoenix, AZ to Boise, ID for heart surgery. Angel was transferred into the care of All Valley Animal Care in Boise for her surgery. The surgery was a success and Angel found her forever home in Idaho.

We spoke with Julie about her time caring for Angel.

Q: What was Angel's personality like?

A: We affectionately often called her "not so much of an angel, Angel." She was smart, strong willed and goofy. She was a puppy and did all the naughty little things that puppies do. My slippers were never where I left them. She loved playing with the other much smaller fosters even after their pulling on her ears caused her to have hematomas on both. The poor thing tolerated her head being wrapped to help with the hematomas. Our larger dogs loved playing with her. Angel is a calm, thoughtful puppy. She will be an amazing addition to a family.





Q: Considering Angel's heart murmur, how did you feel about fostering her?

A: We often have "special" fosters so my husband and I felt we could handle it. We love our fosters and do whatever is necessary to get them ready for their family. We just had no idea that we would end-up making a 15 hour drive to Idaho for her.

Q: What motivated you to drive Angel all the way to Idaho? What was the drive like?

A: Dr. Knighton so generously offered to perform this life saving surgery on Angel so there was no way we were not going to get her there. My husband and I tend to get a bit attached to our fosters so as soon as I knew she needed to get to Dr. Knighton, I wanted to be the one to take her. I just didn't know how to convince my husband. Luckily he was in love with Angel as much as I was. It took very little convincing once the idea was put out there.

The drive was nice. Loooooong but nice. Angel was a trooper. We had rented a minivan so that there would be plenty of room for a large crate, a 2nd smaller crate for another foster that was going along for the ride, supplies and still have room for her to walk around. She was a known risk for getting car sick so we consulted a vet and got meds for her to help with the motion

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sickness. Those meds made her drowsy so she pretty much just chilled in the crate and rested. We took a more scenic route back home and got to see a part of the countryside we hadn't seen before. It sparked future vacation plans to return to the Idaho and Utah area.

Q: How did Angel's surgery go? What were you doing during her surgery?

A: Her surgery was a success. Dr. Knighton had explained the surgery to us and just how serious it was. A big part of the

battle was getting her through the surgery. It was a tense day. It was a day of constantly checking my phone to see if I had any updates.



Q: How did your experience with Angel affect your feelings about fostering?

A: With only a few exceptions we have seen all of our fosters through to them finding their families. It is difficult to

know we didn't get that opportunity to do that with Angel but we are very certain that getting her to Idaho was what was best for her on many levels. She did not like the heat in Arizona. We find fostering to be very rewarding and are honored that HALO entrusts us with these little lives. We can't imagine our lives without fosters in it and we will continue to foster especially those with special needs.



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Every pet has a special story that you made possible



In the first six months of 2017, HALO found homes for 493 cats like Enoki.

When 10-year old Enoki came to HALO, she had a parasite upsetting her stomach. She was quickly cured of the parasite, but her upset stomach remained. Enoki was diagnosed with irritable bowel syndrome and she went through several trials of medicine and special diets until a balance was found. At HALO, Enoki's quality of life improved and then she was adopted into a loving home.

In the first six months of 2017, HALO found homes for 2,707 dogs like Beetle.

Beetle came to HALO with his fur dirty and matted. His teeth needed work and he had a bad cough. At HALO, Beetle was given a bath and groomed. His teeth were cleaned. He received complete medical care including antibiotics, vaccinations, and neuter surgery. Beetle felt like a whole new dog and soon found his adoptive family.





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