

THE HOPE HERALD

OFFICIAL NEWSLETTER OF HANDS OF HOPE RESCUE



Hands of Hope Rescue

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About HOHR

We are a foster-based all breed dog rescue dedicated to helping save the lives of dogs in desperate situations. Hands of Hope Rescue is a state-licensed rescue and incorporated charitable organization, so all donations are tax deductible. As a foster-based rescue, HOHR does not have a facility, and does not function like an animal shelter. We receive dogs from across the region, and save as many as possible by relying on an amazing group of volunteers offering space in their homes until the dogs get a chance at the forever families they deserve.

Founder and President

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Adoptions and Intakes

Found their forever homes in January(19):

-Greta	-Evander
-Phyllis	-Dade
-Loca	-Beth
-Lily	-Batman
-Jimmy/James	-Marty
-Matilda	-Ruby
-Molly	-Angel
-Mimi	-Bonnie
-Dottie	-Max
-Sissy	

Who to watch for (new dogs in the rescue):

-Doc	-Addie
-Dolly	-Bernadette
-Oliver	-Maggie
-Minnie	-Many more to come in Feb.
-Bindi	
-Kenzie	



Fosters Camille and Joe Luper showcase adoptable Bindi and Layla at a recent meet and greet.

Monthly Adoption Events

The last Sunday of every month we hold a meet and greet at Petsmart West in Wichita (533 S Tracy St). On January 30th we were able to bring 8 dogs including: Buddy, Layla, Bindi, Daisy, Dolly, Mattie, Mojo, and Addie. This is a time where potential adopters can meet the animals to see if they would be a good fit for their home. It is also a good way to socialize the dogs and spread our message to the community.

If there is a specific dog you would like to attend a meet and greet, let us know! We will do our best to get that dog to the event. Contact us for more information about events or dogs at: handsofhopegb@cox.net or by following us on Facebook.

Meet and Greet the last Sunday of Every Month

Women's Fair 2018

The annual Wichita Women's Fair will be held February 16-18 at Expo Hall Century II (225 W Douglas Ave). According to the Women's Fair website, it is "From FUN to INFORMATIVE, If it is of interest to Women it is at the Women's Fair. Over 300 exhibitor, 25 stage presentations, and demonstrations, Cooking, Fashion & Hair Shows, entertainment, Personality Appearances and Shopping Galore encompass the essence of The Women's Fair."

Hands of Hope Rescue will have a booth at the fair including adoptable dogs as well as other items for purchase! Adoptable dogs will be available for meeting after the show at an offsite location as well. Watch our Facebook page for more information!

We will also be working with the Kansas Firefighter Calendar Team to highlight many of our adoptable and previously adopted dogs during the Doggy Fashion Show! The fashion show will take place Saturday, February 17th at 12:30pm. You won't want to miss out on this event!!! Visit www.womensfair.com for more information.



Meet Moshia!!

Hi! My name is Moshia, a 50lb black lab-mix, and I am the very last dog available for adoption that was brought back from Texas right after Hurricane Harvey hit. I had these silly things called heartworms when I moved to Kansas, but they are gone now! Moving while not feeling well was pretty scary, but now I'm really happy about it. A couple nice humans and my foster sister are giving me a very comfortable place to stay, but I promise I'll still have PLENTY of love to give when I find a forever family! A lady never tells her age, but humans say I am around a year and a half old. Dog years work differently though. Either way, I love to play with ALL OF THE TOYS. I can be a little bossy about it, but my foster sister is a fun playmate too. I've gotten to travel with my foster family, and that's been a lot of fun! Trips aren't as scary without a big storm and heartworms to worry about. Now I take monthly preventative for them and stuff for fleas, have all the shots the humans said I need and am house-trained & crate-trained. Are you the perfect home for me? I'm ready to give you all the love you could want! Please apply on our website to take me home forever!



ADOPTABLE
DOGS

Meet Mattie!!

Miss Mattie is an 11 lb., approx. 6 yr old Maltese mix. Her history is unknown, but she came to us with hardly any fur and in poor condition. She is somewhat shy due to her previous situation, but is also huge lovebug!! She has some allergies and needs to be on a limited ingredient diet. Mattie is the sweetest, most lovable dog!! Once she's comfortable with a person, she's always ready to snuggle in their lap. Mattie is not hyper but gets very excited when her person comes home after being gone. Mattie's hobbies are chewing on bully sticks and taking walks on nice days. She does very well on her leash, and is slowly learning some commands. She's great at dancing all around on her hind legs but is taking some time learning to sit. Mattie is potty-trained, crate-trained, UTD on all shots, spayed, microchipped & current on flea & heartworm preventatives. She sleeps in her crate quietly all night, but likes to have a stuffed Kong toy or bully stick in the crate during the day if people aren't around. This shy little cutie does well with other dogs as long as they aren't too aggressive with her, but is just now learning to play with them. She seems to prefer a little slower pace, though, so she doesn't try to keep up with puppies for too long. She's curious and likes to chase the cats in the house, but is not aggressive towards them. Mattie loves the attention she missed out on in her first 6 years, and wants to be near her humans as much as possible. She would do best in a home where she won't have to be alone for long periods each day. Homes without young children would probably also be a bit less overwhelming for her.



Ask Hope:

Dear Hope,

We are looking to adopt a new dog. What should we do when we bring the new dog home? What if it doesn't get along with my current dog, Fluffy?

Sincerely, Looking to Adopt

Dear Looking to Adopt,

Congratulations on your new family member! The important thing to remember is that it takes time! Your dogs may be best friends overnight, or it may take a little longer. Either way, it's OK!

When you first bring your new dog home, take it on a walk. After you have addressed any issues, bring your most established pack member in on the walk (walking side by side). It is best to do this in neutral territory like a park. Once you feel comfortable bringing everyone inside, don't let the new dog play with your other dogs toys, sleep on it's bed, get on the furniture, and make it eat last. This will keep your current dog from getting jealous and help your new dog figure out it's role in the pack. If your current dog is more dominant, make sure this doesn't result in bullying. Don't leave your dogs together unattended until you are 100% comfortable with them being together.

Remember: consistency, certainty, and structure is key, and will help both your everyone adjust to each other. It may take a month or two for your dogs to fully feel comfortable with each other, but once everyone is familiar with the new routine and rules, the whole family will love the extra addition.

Good Luck with your new family member!

Hope

Volunteer Spotlight:

Amy K.

Amy is a volunteer and foster for HOHR. She joined Hands of Hope about a year ago and has been a great help! Amy lives with her two dogs and her current foster dog, "Buddy", and says her favorite part of being a foster is "Seeing the dogs broken bodies and spirits repaired and their loving personalities shine thru". Amy organizes many of the fundraisers for HOHR like Meet and Greet events at Aeroplains Brewing, Pins for the Pooches, paint nights, the birthday bash, and more! She is always willing to help and comes up with great ideas! Please put your paws together for Amy!



What is a foster?

Fosters are the heart of our rescue. We can only save a life if we have a foster available. Being a foster for a canine is much like being a foster for a child. While in your care you show them love, care for them, and work on training they may need.

As a foster, you are saving a life and being the bridge to get that dog to its forever home. It's an incredibly rewarding experience for all the families involved.

HOHR always has our dogs tested with other dogs before we take them and do our best to make sure they have no aggression issues with other dogs. They can also be tested with cats to see if they can be placed in a foster home with cats.

We supply everything you may need such as crates, toys, food, monthly preventatives, and pay for medical expenses. There are also trainers available to help with any issues or questions.

Can't foster? We would love to have you join us as a volunteer or transporter!!! Visit the website for more information.



Left-(adoptable) Daisy the day she arrived in foster home

Right-Just 2 weeks in her foster home. Daisy has gone from 59lbs to 75lbs while in her foster's care!

Pins for the Pooches



WHO: People of all ages and bowling abilities are welcome (start forming a team now)

WHEN: Sunday, March 18th from 6:00-8:00pm*

WHERE: Northrock Lanes - 3232 N Rock Rd, Wichita

Lace up your bowling shoes and get ready for a night of fun with Hands of Hope Rescue!

Create a team(or we can create one for you) of 5 bowlers of all ages and ability. Please register by emailing names and email addressed to kay_amy2001@hotmail.com. Event information and a donation form will be e-mailed to each participant when they register.

We ask each participant to raise or donate (by age group) at least: Adults 18-65 years - \$50, College Students & Seniors +65 years - \$35, Children under 18 years - \$25. Various prizes will be given out for competitions throughout the games. You don't have to be good at bowling to win prizes! Game examples: bowl opposite handed, granny bowl, backward between the legs, hit a specific # of pins etc.

We will also have a silent auction and a 50-50 raffle with the drawing towards the end of the 3rd game.

Follow the event on Facebook for most recent information on prizes, auction items, and dogs you are helping.

Hurricane Harvey Relief



HOHR President and founder, Rashann S., helps prepare kennels in the van to bring dogs back from Texas.

On August 30th, a team of 4 HOHR volunteers made the trip down to Texas to provide Hurricane Harvey relief to many of the shelters and rescues across Texas. Many of the shelters were already full and there was nowhere for the waves of new animals coming in to go. HOHR volunteers were able to bring back 22 dogs that were already in shelters to create much needed room for more animals.

As of February 1st, 2018, all but one of those 22 dogs has been adopted. These animals may have otherwise been euthanized.

Thanks to donations we were able to make this long trip and save these lives! We hope there is never the need to make a trip like that again, but we will be there if needed. Thank you to everyone who made this possible!

Happy Tails

Saved from a high kill shelter this fall at around 12 weeks old, Xena (now called, "Pip") is living the good life with parents, Sam and Jeff, and older doggy sister, Colby.

Pip's wildlife-loving parents picked her name because her large ears reminded them of a Pipistrelle bat, and as a puppy, she was a "pipsqueak" compared to Colby.

Pip now gets to enjoy regular walks and trips to the park with her mom and sister, more toys than she knows what to do with, and play dates with lots of other dogs! She keeps her new parents laughing and loves learning from Colby. Her parent's, chuckling, said "She is a little spit fire! She absolutely loves playing with anything and anyone. She absolutely loves to bury herself in blankets and growl while she tries to 'attack' you. She knows sit, stay, lay down, and shake. Rolling over confuses her like crazy, needless to say we haven't mastered that one yet."

Pip loves to watch TV too. She defends her family when other dogs are on the screen, but really wants to be friends with the dog who appears in

the mirror and looks just like her. Pip's mom says "She will chase her tail for so long she falls over! This goofy dog is something else!"

Congrats to the whole family! HOHR wishes you lots more tail-chasing, blanket-burrowing fun in the future!

Want to update us on your pet? We'd love to hear from you! Send us a response at <https://www.surveymonkey.com/r/8BNTBYK>



How to donate:

Do you shop on Amazon?! If so, did you know 0.5% of all your purchases can go to benefit Hands of Hope Rescue! Just use www.smile.amazon.com and enter Hands of Hope Rescue as your beneficiary. Your donation is greatly appreciated! Feel free to also follow the link on our website! And make sure you use Smile for all of your Amazon purchases!

Hands of Hope Rescue is a 501(c)3 non-profit organization. All of our dogs are based in foster homes with food, toys, bedding, kennels, leashes, collars, and medical expenses paid for by the rescue. We rely on donations to allow us to continue getting dogs out of shelters and off death row and get them into loving homes instead.

Other ways to donate include attending our events as well as PayPal, Amazon Wish List, Facebook, and iGive.

Fosters, Volunteers, and Transporters are always needed as well!



HOHR alumna Molly showing off her donated toy.

Upcoming Events

February 16-18: Women's Fair, Century II, Wichita

February 25: Petsmart Meet and Greet, 12:30pm-3:30pm, Petsmart West Wichita

March 16: Pins for the Pooches, 6-8pm, Northrock Lane, 3232 N Rock Rd, Wichita, Kansas 67226

March 25: Petsmart Meet and Greet, 12:30pm-3:30pm, Petsmart West Wichita

April 14: Paint Night, 3-5pm, FetchBistro, Wichita



HOHR booth at the 2017 Women's Fair