

# 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.

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### Adoptions and Intakes

Found their forever homes in September:

-Angel	-Cash	-Claire
-Duckie	-Gizmo	-Gracie
-Lucille	-Maizie	-Pilot
-Sassy	-Thelma	-Tinkerbelle

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

-Andre	-Cassy	-Charlie
-Gigi	-Gus	-Jack
-Katniss	-Lexi	-Marley
-Rocky	-Rosy	-Shasta
-Sherman	-Tala	-Wally
-Zara		



*Come meet Rose at the Meet N Greet this month!*

## Monthly Adoption Events

The last Sunday of every month we hold a meet and greet at Petsmart West in Wichita from 12:30pm to 3:30pm (533 S Tracy St). This past month we did not have a meet and greet as we had the Birthday Bash instead. 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](mailto:handsofhopegb@cox.net) or by following us on Facebook.

**Sunday**  
**October 28th**  
**12:30-3:30pm**  
**Petsmart West**  
**Wichita**

## October News

How is it October already!? This year is winding down and coming to a close!

This past month we were able to find homes for 12 dogs! And then we brought in 16 more (with more still coming!). We continue to sit at capacity and it breaks our hearts not to be able to save more!

We turned 5 years old this month and had a very successful birthday bash! We are honored to have so much support from the community! We were able to raise a lot of money to go towards our medical bills and help us get more dogs healthy!

We hope everyone has a safe and fun Halloween! Remember your fur babies and keep them out of the candy! Also, remember they may be scared (or excited) with so many strangers coming to the door so take extra precautions!



*Adoptable Jovy wants to wish you all a Happy and Safe Halloween!*

# Meet Delilah!!

Meet Delilah! Delilah is an 2-3 year old Boxer. Delilah didn't have the best past, being used as a breeding machine and under socialized. Luckily she found her way to Hands of Hope Rescue and is learning how to just be a dog now! She loves people once she realized they won't hurt her; her little stub tail will go about 100 mph asking to be pet! She would be good with one more submissive dog or fine as an only pet! Delilah is spayed, up to date on vaccinations, and microchipped. Delilah is heartworm positive, but with a new treatment she only needs to receive a pill occasionally and does not need to be on kennel rest. Heartworms are only transmitted by mosquitos and cannot be transmitted to other animals or people through Delilah. To apply to adopt, please visit [www.handsofhooperescue.com/adoptapp](http://www.handsofhooperescue.com/adoptapp). An application must be sent first before consideration. No phone calls please



ADOPTABLE  
DOGS

# Meet Buddy!!

Buddy is a 9 year old Terrier mix who came to Hands of Hope when his family had to re-home him (due to no fault of his own). He is a timid guy at first meeting, but warms up quickly. He is friendly with all humans, young and old, and has done well with all other dogs he's met. As might be expected in an older gentleman, Buddy has some minor health conditions. He has a mid-grade heart murmur, but currently does not show any outward symptoms and does not need medication. Buddy showed signs of allergies and is on a limited ingredient diet. Lastly, Buddy's teeth were in poor condition and had to have many removed but he is much happier without them! Buddy is housebroke, crate trained, heartworm negative, up to date on vaccinations, and on monthly flea/tick and heartworm prevention. Buddy is a sweet, quiet, laid-back guy. He would love nothing more than a caring human to provide him a lap to lay on and lots of snuggles. To apply to adopt Buddy please complete an application at [www.handsofhooperescue.com/adoptapp](http://www.handsofhooperescue.com/adoptapp)



# Ask Hope:

Dear Hope,

I hear you have a new heartworm treatment? Does that work? What is different about it?

Sincerely, Wormless

Dear Wormless,

You are correct! Six months ago we heard about this new treatment for heartworm positive dogs! This new treatment allowed us to be able to adopt out dogs undergoing heartworm treatment since they did not need strict kennel rest as the treatment in the past required. The new treatment is just a topical application of Advantage Multi for 12 months (applied every two weeks for first three months) along with doxy for first 30 days.

The first dog we put on it was Cookie, a dachshund mix that ended up being adopted by her foster. Just 6 months after her treatment we decided test her, and guess what, she is now heartworm **NEGATIVE!** The treatment must **STILL** be carried out for 12 mo even with a negative test result at six months to make sure it is completely gone. Not all dogs test negative after six months, some not until 11 months. But 91% tested Negative after eleven months in one study, another study showed 100%. That is **HUGE!**

This is ground breaking for shelters/rescues everywhere as often these dogs were not able to be adopted for 6 months while they were on strict kennel rest or many were put down.

As a reminder, Heartworms are not able to be passed from dog to dog, they are only transmitted by Mosquito. Please share so others learn about this new treatment as this can save many lives!

I hope that answers your questions!

Sincerely, Hope

## Fire Survivor Welcomed to HOHR

Earlier this summer a home exploded, killing a man and burning over 80% of the body of his son. As the firefighters sifted through the wreckage, they found Nick hiding in a closet near his deceased owner. The wife tried to care for him but she was spending so much time at the hospital with her son and the new home she had to rent did not allow dogs. She was so thankful when she learned a rescue would take Nick!

Nick came to HOHR in late August. We had him seen at Kansas State to assess his burns and any internal trauma he had suffered. Nick had burns all over his body that were beginning to heal. The real worry was the high white blood cell count that the vets found. We have tried some medications prescribed by the vet, but Nick's white blood cell count continues to be elevated. At first the vets thought Nick's illness may be tick borne but as his count doesn't change, they're worried it may be in relation to the fire.

What we do know is that HOHR will give everything they have to find out what is causing Nick's elevated count. In the mean time, he will rest comfortably with his foster family. Continue to watch our Facebook page and website to see when Nick is ready to find his forever home!



# Where do the Hands of Hope dogs come from?

Hands of Hope dogs come from all over, although they are primarily pulled from rural, high kill shelters in Kansas, Oklahoma, Missouri, and Texas. We work with a lot of volunteers in small towns that do not have animal control or a shelter as well. And then a few of our dogs are owner surrenders. We try to leave our focus on the smaller shelters that may not get the attention that some of the bigger shelters do. We see a need there and there are so many great dogs "hiding" in these small shelters.

We wish we could do more but we can only take dogs that we have foster homes for. We try to pull from different shelters each time to help alleviate some pressure from each of them, even though we know it's only for a short period of time.



Some adorable puppies we just brought in from a high kill shelter in western Kansas

# Boxer Boys find themselves in need



We've gotten two new boxer boys in that each require/d extensive medical work. First was Charlie. Charlie came in from another vet clinic where he had started puking and showing other signs of Parvo. He was diagnosed and Hands of Hope was asked to take him. We couldn't say no to this boys smiley face as he fought for his life so of course we took him in!

Once he was clear of parvo, he soon after came down with giardia. This is an intestinal parasite causing diarrhea. Our vets quickly went to work and were able to cure Charlie of this, only to have him start puking again. At this point we were very afraid for Charlie as he was losing weight quickly and we weren't sure what was still wrong! Our vets switched around some food and medications and over a month later Charlie could move to his foster home to start regaining strength and weight. Watch our Facebook page to see when Charlie becomes available for adoption.

At the same time Charlie was fighting for his life, we were asked to take another Boxer with terrible allergies. This Boxer's, named Rocky, owners had spent thousands of dollars trying to make him comfortable and were simply out of funds.

They knew we had the experience necessary to help Rocky and so we agreed to take him in. We are still working to calm

Rocky's skin down but we did find 4 different types of skin infections on his skin scraping. We will continue to work to find out what is causing all of this and Rocky will have a beautiful new coat in no time!

# Volunteer Spotlight

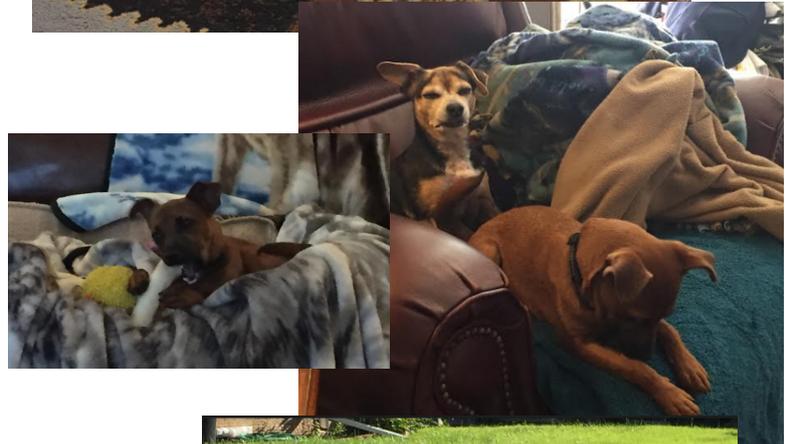
## Annie K.



Meet Annie! Annie is our foster coordinator along with being a foster herself. She also lends her hands in MANY other ways from collecting supplies, to helping organize events, to really whatever else is needed! Annie does it all! You can often find Annie at one of our adoption events, likely sporting a Jack Russel or a Beagle (her breeds of choice)! Annie currently has TWO fosters, Buddy and Lexi. She does an amazing job and we are so lucky to have her as part of Hands of Hope! Please put your paws together in thanking Annie for everything she does!

## Happy Tails

At 16 weeks old and already homeless, Sassy didn't let her misfortune drag down her zest for life. This girl still had a lot of spunk and thus earned her name "Sassy". After over a month in the rescue, Sassy found her forever home! Sassy's new owner Jill says she is still just as independent as ever! At night, she puts herself to sleep in her kennel and even "covers herself up". I am so use to dogs begging to sleep in bed, but not Sassy, she likes to have her own spot! Sassy has been having fun with her new fur sister Xena, and got to meet her cousin, Max, and 8 month old Yorkie a few weeks ago. They had so much fun playing tug of war! Sassy has been bringing out all the toys Xena had forgotten about and is bringing them "back to life!". I like that Sassy has a big bark too. She lets me know when someone is at the door, which I appreciate! Sassy gets to go to grandma's house too and enjoys her car rides with her mom and sister. Overall, Jill says Sassy is a good fit! We love hearing about how our foster dogs are doing. Please send us an update on your Hands of Hope Alum!



## How to donate:

Did you know we have an amazon wish list!!! One of our great volunteers is constantly monitoring this, adding items she knows the dogs needs and also watching for sales to add them when they are cheapest!

These are often things our dogs greatly need! Currently we are most in need of sweaters (winter is coming up and we often have dogs that come missing hair, this will help them stay warm while they recover), harnesses, toys, and treats!

Feel free to check out our wish list at <http://www.amazon.com/registry/wishlist/10KG9N6QXACL>.

Other ways to donate include attending our events as well as PayPal, Amazon Smile, Facebook, and iGive. Also, feel free to send donations directly to: Hands of Hope Rescue  
4827 Camelot Drive West

Great Bend, KS 67530

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



*Adoptable Marshall is looking dashing in his donated sweater!*

## Upcoming Events

October 28: Petsmart Meet and Greet,  
12:30pm-3:30pm, Petsmart West Wichita

October 28th: Whatever Floats your Tote  
Fundraiser

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



*Adoptable Jovy is worn out after the Birthday Bash in September!*