

Giving thanks, giving hope

A very special group of cats
finds safe haven at HSSC.

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"Does anyone have space for cats and would you be interested in working with us on an interagency transfer?"

This is the plea that the Director of Animal Services at San Bernadino Animal Control sent out as they faced taking in a large group of 38 cats from a single residence. They also needed to make room for another large group of cats that were slated to come in from yet *another* overcrowded residence in the coming days.

We pounced on the chance to help and partnered up with the ASPCA, North Bay Animal Services, and Marin Humane Society to bring 24 cats and kittens up to the North Bay - seven of which we happily welcomed at HSSC. The cats and kittens we received were a mix of strays and surrenders, so we were unsure how many of this group came from either of these overcrowded households. What we *did* know is that our help was going to make a significant difference for these sweet beings, and allow San Bernadino's shelter to house and care for many more incoming animals.

Many of the cats needed medical care for upper respiratory infections and most needed vaccines, microchips and spay/neuter surgery. Some also needed extra help behaviorally - most of the cats were under-socialized and needed to experience positive interactions



Niles is waiting patiently for his new furever home.

with humans and other animals. With lots of quiet TLC, attention and comfort, both in the shelter and in our foster homes, we've seen these cats blossom! Some have already been adopted into loving homes, and, for those who need it, we're providing all the love, care and support they need to be ready for their forever home in their own time. ❤️

❤️🐾 **Ready to bring home your new fuzzy family member? Click [here](#) to see how!!** 🐾❤️

News from our Shelter Hospital and Community Vet Clinic



Spicy Girl was found by a good Samaritan who took her to a local emergency clinic where x-rays showed she had a fractured pelvis and hip. Because she was a stray, she was transferred to Sonoma County Animal Services, but she was very stressed and not doing well at their facility so they asked if we could take her.

Meet Daisy, who came to our Community Veterinary Clinic for vomiting and lethargy. Daisy's family had taken her to an emergency clinic for treatment, but could not afford a full diagnostic workup - so they reached out to us.

Thanks to generous donor funding, our CVC is able to

She has been in foster care with us ever since, where she received excellent care and attention while her body was given time to heal. It's been eight weeks now, and new x-rays show she has healed well and is ready to find her forever home!

But first, she will be back at HSSC for her spay surgery. After that, this sweet friend could be yours! If you are interested in Spicy Girl, give our adoption counselors a call at 707-542-0882!

provide veterinary care at cost (or lower) for low-income members of our community who qualify for our services.

We gave Daisy fluids and anti-nausea medications, ran blood work, took abdominal x-rays, did a point-of-care ultrasound, and sent her home with a trial of some prescription food - all at a cost her family could afford.

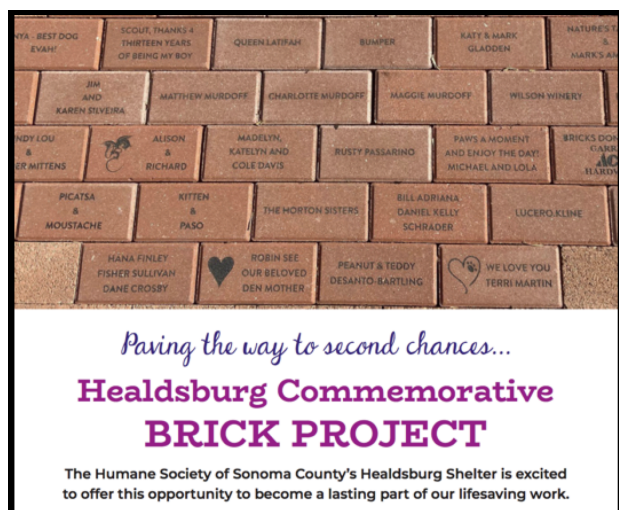
Even as we continue to adapt and respond during pandemic times, HSSC's Shelter Medicine and CVC programs are providing lifesaving procedures and surgeries. We are so grateful to have such dedicated medical professionals caring for the animals who need it most.

Any gift you can spare right now will do a world of good for our shelter animals and allow our medical and animal care teams to continue saving these precious lives.

THANK YOU FOR YOUR SUPPORT!

DONATE NOW!

Healdsburg Shelter Update



Paving the Way to Second Chances...
Healdsburg Commemorative Brick Project



**Join us at Healdsburg Chamber of
Commerce's Virtual Holiday Bazaar!!**

The Humane Society of Sonoma County's Healdsburg Shelter is excited to offer this opportunity to become a lasting part of our lifesaving work. Commemorate a beloved pet with a custom-inscribed brick in our Memorial Courtyard, or honor a friend, family member or business on the Pathway for Paws. Proudly displayed in the beautifully landscaped courtyard of our Healdsburg campus, your compassionate milestone will be appreciated by campus visitors while ensuring a solid foundation for homeless pets in the years to come.

For more information on our Brick Project please email Nina Caputo at ncaputo@humanesocietysoco.org

Part 1: November 20, 2020 at 10am

Learn all about this season's special offerings from Healdsburg merchants and makers! Please join us and hear about HSSC's Brick Program, Winter Camps, Kitty City, and other fun Healdsburg shelter happenings!

For more information and to follow the fun, view the Facebook event page [here!](#)

Community Partner Spotlight



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E.R. Sawyer Jewelers

For over 140 years, the Van Dyke Family has served the jewelry needs of Sonoma County. Today, [E.R. Sawyer Jewelers](#) is owned and operated by Doug and Ame Van Dyke. Being raised in Sonoma County, both Doug and Ame appreciate the importance of doing business locally and giving back to the community they serve. The Van Dykes are active members of the community and have been sponsors of HSSC's annual Wags, Whiskers & Wine gala for many years.

Ame notes, "animals are such a big part of our family's life... we have 4 dogs and a cat and 3 of our dogs and our cat are rescues. Many members of our work team also have beloved rescue animals! We believe all animals deserve love, safety and a happy home. The Humane Society of Sonoma County is a cause near and dear to our hearts and we are supportive of their amazing work!"

Our heartfelt thanks go out to the Van Dyke family for the many, many ways they make Sonoma County a vibrant and beautiful place to live, and for always putting the community at the heart of their business. We are so very

grateful for your support!

How You Can Help



Double your gift to our Generator Fund!

Help us purchase an emergency
generator and your gift will
be matched right now!



Give to our generator fund today and your gift will be matched, dollar for dollar!

David & Mary Love have stepped up (way up!) to help: They will match every donation up to a total of \$25,000!

Thanks to loving, compassionate donors, we've made great headway in our campaign to raise money for an emergency generator that will power our Santa Rosa shelter's life-saving operations during emergencies and disasters.

But we still have a long way to go.

Give to our Generator Fund today and see the value of your kindness doubled!

[DONATE NOW!](#)



Donate to our Pet Food Pantry!

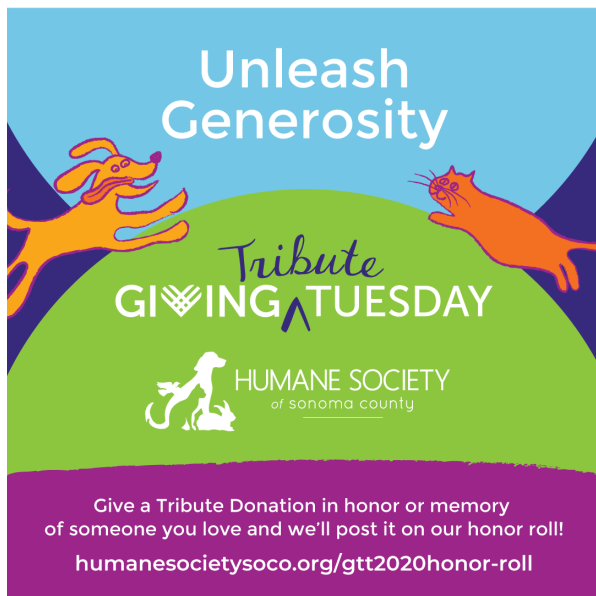
Our Pet Food Pantry supports pet owners when they need a little extra help caring for their pets, especially during challenging times like this.

Any brands, any amounts, will be happily accepted and cat food is especially in demand these days! We accept in-person donations at both of our shelters and you can also have food shipped directly to us. View and order from our Amazon wish list [here](#).

We are also grateful for cash donations which are used to stock our pantry with food.

DONATE NOW!

**THANK YOU - your kindness is SO appreciated
by SO many!**

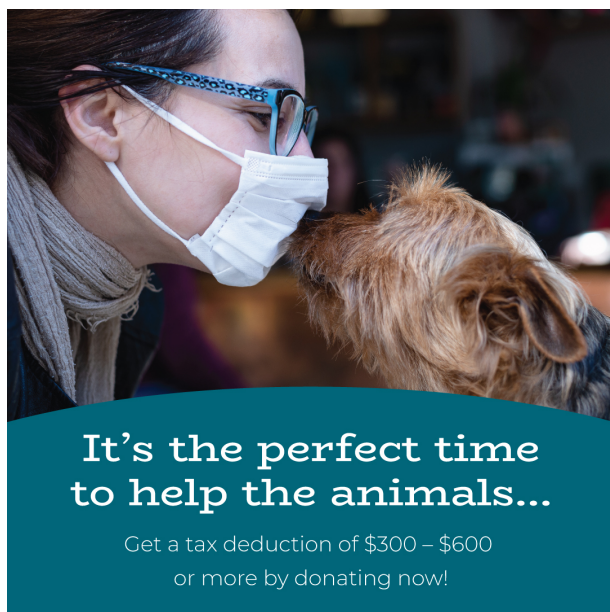


Giving *Tribute* Tuesday is coming!

Watch your inbox next week to find out how we are transforming **Giving Tuesday** into **Giving *Tribute* Tuesday!**

As we kick off the season of gratitude, this is a meaningful way to show your loved ones how much you care *and* give hope to an animal in their name. And, thanks to a generous matching challenge from Dalio Philanthropies, your gift will go twice as far!

Stay tuned for details!



It's the Perfect Time to Help the Animals!

The CARES Act makes this the perfect time to help even more animals – and save on your taxes!

The CARES Act was implemented by Congress to help our nation through the COVID crisis. A lesser-known benefit of the CARES Act may be helpful in your tax planning for 2020.

For more information on how the CARES Act might help you help the animals click [here](#).

♥ **Was our eAnimail forwarded to you by a friend?** ♥

Did a fellow animal-lover send our newsletter your way? Sign up [here](#) to make sure you get HSSC's amazing animal stories and shelter news delivered directly to your inbox!

Join Us!



Humane Society of Sonoma County Winter Camp!!

Are you excited for an un-BEAR-ably good time? FELINE tired of sitting around on the computer? Looking for something a-MOO-sing to do? Then get your paws, claws and fins off of your mouse and come on over!

*We will be following Covid CDC guidelines closely including small groups, mask wearing and temperature checks.

For more information and to sign up today (these will fill up quickly) click [here](#)!

Join Us!
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**Wine, Whiskers & Wags
Online Auction
Dec. 5, 2020, 9AM-9PM**

Benefiting: Friends of the Alameda Animal Shelter (FAAS)
& the Humane Society of Sonoma County (HSSC)

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Santa Rosa & Healdsburg

Save the Date!!

Wine, Whiskers & Wags Online Auction!

December 5th from 9am-9pm.

Our friends at Friends of the Alameda Animal Shelter (FAAS) are hosting a one-day online auction benefitting HSSC.

Sign up now and get ready to bid on lots of amazing items!

For more information and to sign up now, click [here](#)!

Save the Date!





Ugly Sweater Virtual Wine Tasting Fundraiser with Mutt Lynch!

December 16th from 5-6pm

Please mark your calendar to join us for this fun event! Brenda Lynch will host and guide us through tastings of 3 special label wines, adorned with images of some of our beloved HSSC alumni! Cozy up in your favorite ugly sweater and taste wine from the comforts of your home. There will be time to ask questions about the wine or about the Humane Society. And.. you can get some holiday shopping done! Perhaps a special label bottle of Mutt Lynch wine for your loved ones, under the tree? A portion of wine sales will benefit the HSSC.

More details to come, stay tuned!

Kibbles 'N Bits

Now thru Dec 15

VOTE
For Sonoma and Napa's Best

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Vote for HSSC!
Vote for Sonoma's Best in The Bohemian's
annual Best Of contest, now through Dec 15!

Bohemian's Best of 2021 - North Bay!

The Bohemian just opened their voting for their Best of 2021 Readers Poll and we'd LOVE to have your vote in the following categories:

In the Food & Drink category- Best Covid Winery Charity Event (Humane Society of Sonoma County Wags, Whiskers & WiFi at Kendall-Jackson)

In the Family category- Best Adoption Center, Best Animal Hospital (HSSC's Community Veterinary Clinic) , Best Animal Rescue Group, Best Dog Obedience School, Best Summer Day Camp, and Best Veterinary Services (HSSC's Community Veterinary Clinic)

Voting runs through 12/15, vote for us now [here!](#)

THANK YOU!! ❤️



Now Available - New CVC Gear!!

Our Community Veterinary Clinic is dedicated to keeping pets healthy and in the arms of the families who love them. Show your support for this compassionate commitment and help the animals of HSSC by purchasing your own cozy, limited-edition CVC gear!

Check out our beautiful CVC t-shirt and hoodie designs here: www.bonfire.com/community-veterinary-services-gear

Campaign ends December 8, 2020 and orders arrive between December 17th - December 29th.

Don't miss out – [order today!](#)

First and foremost, we want you all to stay safe and healthy. We will continue to post updates about our programs and services on our website [here](#) and on our [Facebook page](#) as COVID response continues.

Your ongoing support enables us to continue our lifesaving work for the animals during this challenging time.

Together we are providing protection, compassion, love and care. We are so grateful for this connection which inspires so much hope.

[Donate Now!](#)

HSSC's Santa Rosa Shelter:
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707-542-0882 | info@humanesocietysoco.org

HSSC's Healdsburg Shelter:
555 Westside Rd | Healdsburg, CA 95448
707-431-3386 | info@humanesocietysoco.org

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