Medical kittens: Vour love V saves lives!

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Meadow, the certified cutie!



Unconditional Love for Medical Condition Kittens 💗

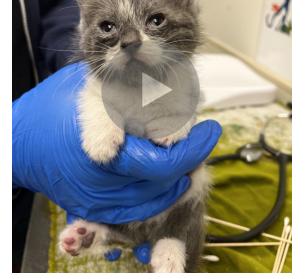
One of the many perks of working at HSSC is being around amazing animals all day. Another is the collective joy that bubbles up every time new ones are welcomed into our care. Our staff emails are often punctuated with cute photos and exclamation points, especially during Kitten Season!

"One ward full of kittens arriving this afternoon!"

"Four healthy, socialized kittens surrendered today from an accidental litter, now awaiting spay/neuter. Certified cuties!"

The term Kitten Season conjures images of tiny, tumbling bundles of fluffy cuteness. There's plenty of that, to be sure, but it's also a lot of hard work. In addition to the sheer number of these vulnerable little beings arriving daily, many present with serious illnesses.

Recently, on a day when we were already **treating a litter of kittens for Calicivirus** (respiratory infection with fever and mouth lesions) and **multiple litters with severe ringworm and upper respiratory infections** (including sweet Tupée, pictured) - when **an additional pair of ringworm kittens arrived**, as well as **a litter of five who tested positive for**



Click the image to watch intake staff clean stray kitten Gremlin's eyes, crusted shut by the effects of URI.



Tupée the ringworm kitten when he first arrived HSSC.



Tupée after 3 weeks of ringworm treatment.

Panleukopenia. Not only are these diseases highly contagious, some are deadly... and they all take considerable time and resources to contain and treat.

We are passionate about helping medical kitties – we know they are depending on us for relief, comfort and lifesaving medical care!

As Kitten Season ramps up this summer, we are taking in kittens from many different sources, including other shelters in desperate need of space for their most at-risk animals. It takes all of us working together to help these vulnerable babies survive and thrive. **There are so many ways to help!**

FOSTER: We LOVE our phenomenal foster volunteers! They play a critical role in expanding our capacity to take in more animals in need of lifesaving care. Learn about more about volunteering with HSSC

here: humanesocietysoco.org/volunteer

ADOPT: June is Adopt a Shelter Cat month! When you adopt a pet, not only are you providing loving companionship for a special animal, you are freeing up space in the shelter so we can provide care for the next animal who needs us! See who's available for adoption here:

humanesocietysoco.org/available-animals/

DONATE: Donations to our **Angels Fund** directly support medical care for homeless animals. Donations to our **Spay/Neuter Fund** helps us provide low-cost clinics, and stems the tide of accidental litters in our community. A donation to our **Foster Care Program** helps provide the supplies kittens need to grow big and strong, or donate much-needed kitten supplies directly from our wishlist!

humanesocietysoco.org/donate/

humanesocietysoco.org/wishlists/

WHAT TO DO IF YOU FIND A KITTEN:

humanesocietysoco.org/owner-support/caturdays/

Your support truly makes a difference for the animals. We are so grateful for your kindness and care. 🧡

Social Media Spotlight

Did you see this on our social media? In case you missed it...

be sure to click the video to watch our long term resident dogs patiently waiting for their forever homes.

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Humane Society of Sonoma County

Meet some of our long term resident dogs who've been patiently waiting for a loving adopter to bring them home. They've been watching as so many other animals have arrived after them and adopted before them. Each of these sweet pups have so much love to give. Our staff and volunteers created strong, loving bonds with each and every one of them. And we wait in anticipation with them, hoping that someone will walk through our doors and choose them to bring home.

Fudge has been with HSSC for 145 days, she's sweet, loving, likes to cuddle with friends and go on sniffy walks.

Lieutenant Messi, 129 days, he's smart, handsome and absolutely LOVES a good game of fetch.

Remi, 92 days, she may start off shy, but will quickly warm up and blossom into her happy exuberant self and your new best friend!

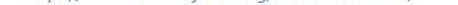
Brody, 120 days, he's a happy-go-lucky goofball with a great smile and a big heart. He loves a good chew toy and some delicious doggy treats.

Winston, 120 days, sweet lab mix who loves people, long walks and playing fetch! He's a very good boy.

Band Jovi, 196 days, this shelter heart melter loves playing games, hiking and having fun! He has a lot of fans at HSSC.

Super Nova, 242 days, she's a very loving, affectionate, bellyrub enthusiast with a heart of gold. Nova has captured the hearts of everyone who meets her. She'll make someone a very lucky and happy adopter.

If you'd like to know more about any of these amazing dogs, call our adoption counselors at 707-542-0882. Or visit the adoption page on or website to read more about each of these sweeties: https://humanesocietysoco.org/available-animals/



Long term resident dogs who are still waiting for loving homes.

Fudge 145 days

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Healdsburg's Orange Tabby Besties



Goldie & Marty, Best Friends Furever

Hi I'm Goldie, and the guy behind me in the photo is Marty. We are a bonded pair of best friends who are on the hunt for a gentle loving home.

We're both a bit shy, but I'm the more outgoing one. Poor Marty has a history of being bullied by other cats, so



he sometimes uses me as a security blanket. You can usually find him squished up to me for comfort and I love the guy, so I don't mind keeping him safe.

Our ideal home would be patient and loving, somewhere that we can feel safe, comfortable and are given time to become confident. I promise, once we get comfortable, we make fantastic kitty companions.

Watch how cuddly and cozy we are together here: **youtube.com/shorts**

Then read more about us on the HSSC website: **humanesocietysoco.org**

News From Our Community Vet Clinic



Bobby and his mom Rosa



Bobby's Happy, Healthy New Smile!

Rosa brought her 10-year-old dog Bobby to HSSC's Community Veterinary Clinic because she was concerned about his teeth. Rosa is primarily Spanish speaking, so Nydia (pictured with Bobby in our surgical suite), one of our Vet Techs and our CVC's main Spanish language translator, did most of the client communication for Bobby's care.

After a dental evaluation, our CVC team determined that Bobby would need a deep cleaning and five extractions. Bobby "recovered easily from his dental procedure," said Dr. Ada Norris, our CVC's Chief Veterinarian. When Dr. Ada checked in with Rosa to see how her scruffy senior friend was doing, she received the following update:

"Hola Doctora Ada! Gracia por preguntar! El está recuperándose muy pronto, ya está comiendo y pienso que todo está bien porque tiene su comportamiento normal; está tomando su medicamento y está muy alerta. Mil gracias!"

"Hello Doctor Ada! Thanks for asking! He is recovering quickly, he is already eating and I think everything is fine because he has his normal behavior; he is taking his medication and is very alert. Thank you very much!"

The goal of our CVC is to provide compassionate veterinary care in a welcoming, inclusive environment for low-income



Bobby and Nydia

pet owners. We know that language barriers can be as imposing an obstacle to accessing care as economic barriers. We value our bilingual staff who help us deliver the best possible vet care for our Spanish speaking community.

We also value our partnership with the Grey Muzzle Organization. Their generous grant helps us provide dental care on a sliding scale for owned senior dogs in our community, and we are so grateful. Thanks to your support, we were able to give Bobby his smile back - and give Rosa some welcome peace of mind!

In these challenging times, your support helps **HSSC's CVC** provide **lifesaving procedures and surgeries** for animals in need. Any gift you can spare right now will do a world of good for **low-income members of our community** by offering **veterinary care at cost** (or lower) and allowing our medical teams **to continue saving these precious lives.**

💗 THANK YOU FOR YOUR SUPPORT! 🤎

DONATE TODAY!

HSSC Pride Gear



Happy Pride Month!! 🤎

In celebration of LOVE, HSSC has brand new gear that proudly supports Pride!! Below is a link to our webstore where you can find these fabulous new items - be sure to scroll through to see all the options, as we have everything from Tees and Tanks to Long Sleeves and Zip Hoodies!

www.bonfire.com/humane-society-of-sonomacounty/

Show your pride while supporting the animals!

Join Us!



Wags Whiskers & Wine is Back, Live and in *Purrrrson!!!!*

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Donate an Auction Item

We are wagging our tails with anticipation!!

Join us August 5th at <u>Kendall-Jackson Estate and</u> <u>Gardens</u> for an evening of fabulous fun benefiting our fuzzy friends!

Be a Sponsor, Be an Auction Donor...

Be a Part Of It!



Healdsburg Prune Packers!

What better way to ring in the first day of summer than a baseball game and an Amy's Wicked Slush?! Join us Tuesday, June 21st at 6pm for the 2021 CCL Champion - Prune Packers game in Healdsburg!

Amy's will be at the stadium scooping up cool, delicious slushes, and we'll be there with our Kissing Booth giving out dog kisses that are sure to be a homerun! Our famous volunteer, Scooby Doo, is throwing out the first pitch!

Check the link for stadium and team info: <u>https://www.prunepackers.org/</u>



Love Wins In Windsor!

Join us at the Windsor Pride Parade Saturday, June 25th!! This will be a day of live music, games, food & drinks, kid activities, resources for all! It's a free, family friendly event happens at the Town Green from 2-9pm.

We will have our infamous HSSC kissing booth at our outreach table from 2:00pm - 7:00pm. For more details on the event visit: <u>https://www.lovewinsinwindsor.com/</u>

If you'd like to celebrate in style while supporting the animals, check out HSSC's brand new Pride gear: www.bonfire.com/humane-society-of-sonoma-county/

How You Can Help



Help Us Raise the Roooof!!

We need to raise \$200,000 to replace our Santa Rosa Shelter's roof.

We're turning to you to help us keep a roof over the animals' heads – literally!

Our animal-adoring friends at <u>ARS Roofing</u> have pulled out all the stops to get us an amazing "cool roof" with a lifetime guarantee to protect the animals from ever more severe weather, save energy and significantly lower our utility bills.

Videographer, Andrew Leonard, created a short video about our need for a new roof, in hopes that it will help us on the path to reaching our goal!

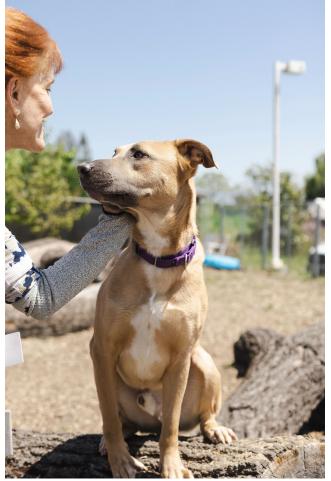
You can watch his video on our website.

Please help us keep our promise to the animals: to



protect them and keep them safe, no matter what.

Donate Toward Our Roof Today!



Photograph by: Kelsey Murphey

There are so many ways to help the animals.

For those of us who dearly love animals, the most meaningful gift we can offer is one that sustains their compassionate care into the future. Planned gifts to the Humane Society of Sonoma County have the power to do just that.

A bequest to HSSC in your will or trust protects the future of our donor-supported safe haven for animals. Every single gift means the world to animals desperate for hope, safety, comfort and the love of a forever home. Your kindness will live on in each one of their hearts – what a beautiful legacy of love.

As you work with your attorney, estate planner or financial advisor, please consider a charitable contribution to the Humane Society of Sonoma County. Many planned giving options offer significant tax benefits. For more information, please contact plocke@humanesocietysoco.org.







Thank you to our loving community!

🦊 Was our eAnimail forwarded to you by a friend? 🤎

Did a fellow animal-lover send our newsletter your way? Sign up <u>here</u> to make sure you get HSSC's amazing animal stories and shelter news delivered directly to your inbox!

Your ongoing support enables us to continue our lifesaving work for the animals during changing times.

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



HSSC's Santa Rosa Shelter: 5345 Hwy 12 West | Santa Rosa, CA 95407 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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