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TO: C.A.R.E., PO Box 215, Aurora, MO 65605

Here's my gift of love to help the animals in your care and to help with all the work you do.

I am enclosing \$25 \$45 \$100 other _____

My total support to help the animals _____

Donations are tax deductible under the section 501(c)(3) of the IRS code.

I would like more information and the next Rescue Review

I currently receive the Rescue Review (please note below if your address has changed.)

Name: _____

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With your donations, we are able to provide food and medicine to save the lives of neglected and abused animals like Chance (see inside).

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Rescue Review

Spring 2011

Springing into Action in 2011!

We are well on our way to a very productive 2011. One of our goals for 2011 is to "get the word out" about C.A.R.E. to ultimately increase adoptions. This could only be accomplished through more public awareness. We have gotten off to a great start! Kiersten Bagley, an animal lover who has worked and volunteered her time at our Adoption Center, is now working to help C.A.R.E. move forward and meet our new goals. For years she has volunteered, bringing a pet to the KSFY news station every Wednesday for C.A.R.E.'s "Pet of the Week" on the evening news. Kiersten has been assisting the shelter director, Melissa, with many projects that we have wanted to do for some time. She is helping with fundraisers, doing our Public Relations work, and is also now putting together the Rescue Review, our quarterly newsletter. Kiersten updated our website and is keeping it current. If you have not checked us out online lately, please visit www.carerescue.org to see all the new changes and updates. Volunteers are a very important part of C.A.R.E. and Kiersten keeps them in the loop through a special monthly e-newsletter designed to inform and inspire our volunteer team.

We have also joined the social networking world. Kiersten created and maintains Twitter and Facebook for C.A.R.E. Now you can "like" us on Facebook to read (and share your own) updates, photos and events! If "tweeting" is more your style, you can follow us on Twitter at @CAREAnimalRescu. Of course, if none of these outlets tickle your fancy, our Adoption Center is still open seven days a week; you can visit us to shake paws in person!

Another big move forward to getting C.A.R.E. noticed has been done through donated advertising. Flood Media Group has been helping C.A.R.E. with donated radio scripted public service announcements that bring awareness to our cause. They have created and established C.A.R.E.'s first full size billboard ad to promote adopting a pet from C.A.R.E. Undoubtedly, one of the biggest accomplishments is our new TV commercial. Its design, production, and distribution was all donated by the wonderful people at Flood Media Group. The commercial (shot in our Adoption Center) airs on many local channels (at no cost to us) and lets people know about our work and the lovely animals we have up for adoption. The commercial has generated lots of interest in C.A.R.E.'s mission and some great adoptions too! Rescue costs, veterinary bills, food, medicine, housing, and daily animal care are expensive; saving lives is priority, so that is where our dollars are spent. We do great work, saving the lives of hundreds of needy pets each year, but without advertising dollars in our budget it is difficult to "get the word out" and tell people what we are doing. That is why we are so thankful to our friends at Flood Media Group for all their donated time and services. We are excited, but no one is more excited or thankful than the puppies and kitties finding great homes because of this new public awareness about C.A.R.E.!



Kiersten & adoptable dog, Nickelby.

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Shelter Adoption Center



Location:

The Adoption Center is located at
1328-A W. Sunshine Springfield, MO.
On the corner of Sunshine and Fort.

Hours:

Open Every Day 10am-6pm

Volunteers & Donations:

We welcome everyone to join our volunteer team. We can use help at the Adoption Center and for special events. If you are interested, please stop by the Adoption Center and fill out a volunteer form. (Must be at least 18 to volunteer with C.A.R.E.)

If you would like to donate an item from our wish list, you may drop donations off at our Adoption Center during normal operating hours or stop by one of our mobile adoptions. You'll be greeted with a smile at either place!

C.A.R.E.'s Closet Thrift Shoppe

Shop or donate items for resale to support our animals!

Closed Monday
Tuesday-Saturday: 10am-6pm
Sunday: 12-5pm

1328-B West Sunshine
Springfield, MO 65807



C.A.R.E. Inc. Mission: Our mission is to rescue as many adoptable animals from "death row" as we can properly care for. To provide medical treatment for sick or injured stray animals. To combine an aggressive spay and neuter program with a high volume adoption program while providing quality lifetime care for unadopted pets. To network with and provide a rescue service for other shelters, ultimately reducing the kill-rate in southwest Missouri.

Letters From Adopters

Updates from Happy Homes



I adopted Trevor, a young schnauzer mix at an adoption event you held at Walmart about the second weekend in December, 2010... I was only in town for the day, and your volunteer was so kind and helpful and we were able to complete the process and I was able to bring Trevor home to Kansas City that day.

Anyway, I wanted to let you know how great he's doing. His name was changed to Turbo and believe me, IT FITS! My husband and kids have all completely fallen in love with him. He plays all the time with our miniature schnauzer, Chloe, and our cats. I have to believe that destiny took a hand in matching Turbo with our family. He has stolen all our hearts and there isn't a day goes by that he doesn't do something that cracks us all up. It was very easy to house train him and he loves to learn new tricks. He is still all puppy and we've suffered a few shoe casualties, but it goes with the territory.

I want to thank you all for the wonderful job you do and will be going on your website to make a donation to your organization to do what I can to help you continue your good work. I am attaching a picture of him so he can say "hi".

Thanks again, Bev Knoll



Turbo

We adopted Stella (formerly Ruthie) just a month ago. We were a little concerned that since she had been at CARE so long she might take a long time to get used to us and our exuberant Boston, Charlotte. However, Stella liked Charlotte from the start and puts up with quite a bit before she calls a halt with a growl. We hope that Charlotte soon learns that when the growling starts she is to back off. So far she thinks it is a signal to get even more excited and has had several scratches on her nose. Stella is not a lap cat yet, but we have hopes. She prefers to be in the same room with us and lets us pet her for longer and longer periods of time. Stella has a good sense of time, and lets us know when she expects us to go to bed so she can curl up at our feet. Then she purrs us up in the morning for breakfast.

-Dale & Lynn Clements



Marbles

Marbles is the greatest adoption anyone could have asked for! His big puppy heart & silly Chiweenie face have made him the love of his "mommy and daddy's" lives!



Stella

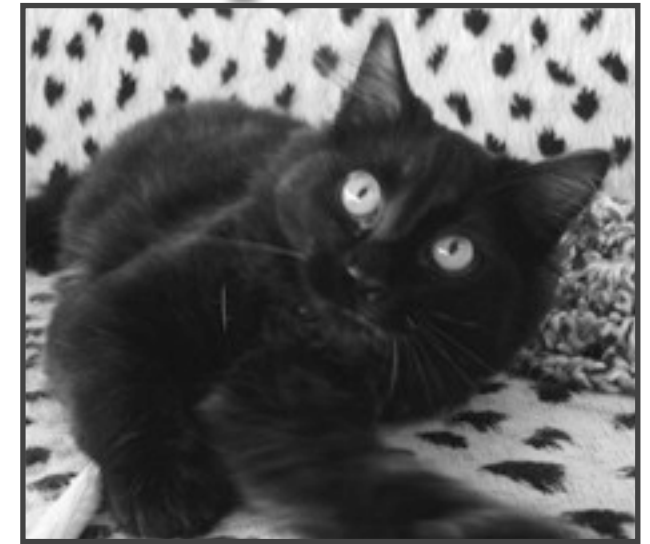
Animals Available for Adoption



Rosco is lots of fun! He's an energetic and very intelligent Schnauzer mix who loves to run and play. He is ready to bounce his way into your heart!



Lala is one very lively long haired tortoiseshell kitten. She is five months old, cheerful, and looking for a cozy home to grow up in with people to love her.



Frances is a very special three year old English Bulldog. He deserves a loving home to care for him and cherish him forever.

Thanks to your support, these pets will have life-long loving homes!

Leroy wants to be your best friend! He is a one year old beagle mix with a whole lot of love to share. He adores just being around people and plays well with other dogs.

Lidia is a Malamute-Great Pyrenees mix and she is two and a half years old. She is a very affectionate girl and would make a great family pet.

Dandy is a bundle of joy! He is a dachshund mix, a one year old pup who loves to romp! This little guy is really a big sweetie.



Kaiser & Crosby are two friendly & playful kittens waiting for indoor homes & loving families.



Lady is a sweet kitty who loves to be pet and held. Lady would enjoy a home with lots of love and soft places to lounge.



Georgia is a six month old boxer/lab mix. She loves attention and car rides! She is very smart and would be a loyal companion. Miss Georgia would love a country home or a fenced in backyard to run and play in. She's great with kids & other dogs.



Wish List

Premium Dry Food

Collars (Any Size)

Empty Ink Jet & Laser

Ink Cartridges

Hoof Treats

Shredded Paper

Laundry Soap

Towels

Air Freshener Spray

Stamps

Paper Towels

Latex Exam Gloves

Thrift Store Items

Volunteers



Clair's Corner

Dog Tips

Upcoming holidays like Easter remind us that spring is just around the corner. Springtime holidays are often associated with bulb plants and many people love to give and receive plants at times like these. Some of our dog and cat friends may think these plants are for nibbling. However, ingestion of the bulbs can cause severe illness in pets. Here are some of

the more common spring and summer holiday plants and information on their toxicity.

Daffodil: Ingestion can result in severe gastrointestinal illness, convulsions, seizures, low blood pressure and tremors.

Tulip, Hyacinth, Peace lily, Easter cactus, Crown of Thorns: Ingestion of these plants can result in ulcers in the mouth, intense vomiting, diarrhea, drooling, lack of appetite, and depression.

Easter daisy, Easter orchid, Easter lily cactus, Resurrection lily: These plants are considered non toxic.

Cat Nips

Cat Tips

We all love spending time around our beloved cats. This is usually a great thing, unless you have pet allergies. Sadly, thousands of cats become homeless each year when their families give them up due to allergies. According to the American Academy of Allergy, Asthma & Immunology, allergies to cats or dogs occur in approximately 15% of the population. There are no hypoallergenic cats nor are there any cats that do not shed. All cats shed, however some may shed more or less than others; since dander, not hair, is the problem, shedding is not that important in allergy control. People with pet allergies are usually allergic to the dander (skin that is shed) not the fur. Many are also allergic to the cat's saliva.

Don't give up your cat so quickly! Many people who have allergies to cats may also have allergies to other things in the environment as well that could be compounding the problem. These often include household dust and molds, feathers, cigarette smoke, pesticides, household cleaners etc. If you can minimize the non-cat allergens in the air you breathe and control the cat allergens, your body may be able to tolerate the presence of a cat in your home.

Start in the bedroom, we spend one third to one half of our time there. Keeping the cat out of the bedroom at all times can greatly reduce symptoms of pet allergies. Keep your sheets washed and do not use feather pillows or comforters. Clean and vacuum regularly. Installing a good "HEPA" air cleaner is recommended. Change home air filters often.

Keeping your cats skin healthy is key, feeding only high quality foods and giving a fatty acid supplement daily will reduce dander significantly. Brush your cat daily and use allergy-reducing spray such as Allerpet. Bathe your cat about every six weeks using a veterinarian-approved shampoo and rinse coat well. Keep your cat indoors, if allowed to roam outdoors it may bring in irritants such as pollen, plant juices, poison ivy, mold spores, etc. Along with these tips, many people find relief after taking homeopathic remedies that boost your natural immune system, these supplements can be found in health food stores. Very often people build a resistance to their own pet's allergens. While you are working to clean your home, your body may be working to build natural immunity to your pets at home.



Happy Endings

Rescue Stories from the Shelter

"Chance's Second Chance"

A small puppy was left in a cardboard box overnight one cold, rainy November evening. When C.A.R.E. staff member Melissa Hedges came upon this little fellow, the box was soggy and the puppy found inside was wet and shivering. He was injured and bleeding, near hypothermia and shock. It seemed a car had hit the young lab mix, his rear legs were swollen and broken. He was rushed to the Animal Health Center for medical attention. After initial emergency vet care, x-rays revealed that this puppy was badly broken up and in need of surgery, but luckily had no spinal damage or internal bleeding; he could be saved and would walk again. Dr. Reid placed two 5-inch pins in his leg to mend the bones. Melissa Hedges, having been the first on the scene when he was rescued, fell in love with him and affectionately named him "Chance". Shortly after his surgery, C.A.R.E. volunteer Yoko Williams opened her home and her heart to Chance, helping him through his long recovery. "He came to live with us and our 4 dogs," Yoko said. "He liked to play with William, a Chihuahua mix who was a CARE foster/now adopted. Chance is a very affectionate and loving boy who really wanted to be around my family and dogs." When playing outside in the yard, Yoko noticed that Chance was scared of cars driving by and would run for the door whenever he heard one. Once and sometimes twice a week during recovery, Yoko drove him to visit Dr. Reid for laser treatments on his leg to help speed up the healing process. After about 6 weeks, Chance had both pins removed. Yoko recalls, "At first, still weak from the trauma, he would not use his leg or put weight on his foot. But, gradually through playing with my dogs and running around the yard, he started bearing weight on that leg and using it more and more." Before our eyes, Chance became a lively and active puppy who loves to run and play with the best of them! Soon, he was ready for a forever home of his own. Through C.A.R.E.'s multiple application adoption process, a perfect home was chosen especially for him. He has the freedom and safety of a fenced yard, two other dogs for companionship and play, and a loving family to grow up and old with. We look forward to keeping you updated on Chance's new life.



Shortly after surgery



Healing in foster care. Snow play time!

"A Bright Future for Ally"

When we rescued Ally from death row at Animal Control, she was not sick or injured and had no special story, as far as we could tell; she was just a sweet homeless cat who needed another chance at life. So, that's what we gave her. Thanks to our adoption application process, Ally was matched with a family perfect for her, based on her own unique personality. She has a life full of big hugs, warm places to nap, and lots of love to look forward to for the rest of her days. Some of the greatest stories we get to tell are the simplest. We wish Ally and her new forever family all of the happiness in the world!

