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HALO Animal Rescue

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Paw Prints

BLANCHE FLOURISHING THANKS TO YOUR SUPPORT

Blanche was cured of tick fever and a broken leg before finding her forever home

It is a mystery how Blanche ended up in such terrible condition. At just 9 months old, the tiny Alaskan Klee Kai mix found herself sick, injured, and alone. She needed a lot of care and time to heal. Your compassionate support of HALO Animal Rescue gives personalized medical care to special pets like Blanche.

Blanche came to HALO with a broken leg. She was so exhausted. You could tell it was an effort to stand on her three good legs. Your generosity allowed her broken leg to be tended to quickly. When her blood was tested, we found out Blanche was so tired because she had tick fever, an illness that can take many months to treat.

For three months, Blanche was cared for in a foster home. She was treated with antibiotics and her healing leg was looked after. Her casts were cleaned and replaced. X-rays and blood tests monitored her progress. In addition to the medical care you made possible, her foster mom made sure she received plenty of love.

You gave Blanche three months of intense medical care. She wouldn't be here without you.

Blanche's leg healed wonderfully and although her blood may always carry traces of the tick fever infection, her energy level improved by leaps and bounds. Not only did you give Blanche veterinary care and a forever home, you put spark back into her spirit.



HALF BLIND KITTEN HAS SIGHT RESTORED

You saved Victor from heat exhaustion, healed his eye infections, and gave him a home



Victor came to HALO Animal Rescue in a cardboard box. He was lying flat on his belly with his paws splayed out, panting. He was suffering from heat exhaustion. His eyes were covered with ulcers, inflamed, and crusted shut. He could barely see. By the time he reached HALO's front door, Victor needed urgent medical attention. Your gifts were the safety net that gave him the care he needed.

Thanks to you, Victor received a bath, food and water, and medicine at HALO.

He was scared and hissy, but we fell in love with him nonetheless. At first Victor didn't even want to eat. He had to be coaxed to eat until his appetite came back. He stayed in a foster home for a few weeks while he grew big and his eye infection cleared up. Slowly he grew to trust people as well.

Victor has a bright future now. One cloudy scar in his left eye is all that remains of his difficult beginning. Your support was the miracle that saved him in so many ways. He is healthy and happy in a forever home.

WILL YOU LEAVE THE WORLD A BETTER PLACE?

Pets give us so much love and joy, while asking little in exchange. One way you can return their love is by including HALO Animal Rescue in your will. Leaving a legacy gift is a unique way to ensure that homeless cats and dogs will be safe and cared for even after you're gone.



Not sure how to get started?

Call 602-971-9222 ext. 105 or email halosupporter@halorescue.org to request your HALO Animal Rescue planned giving package.

YOU HELPED GIVE SHELLEY A HAPPY HOME

A Letter of Gratitude from Shelley's Dad

Dear HALO,

My late wife and I found Shelley at a dog fair in 2006. We were looking for a dog that would be compatible with our young grandkids who we were taking care of at the time. We knew Shelley was the right dog when she jumped out of her handler's arms to go up to a toddler walking through. We were told Shelley was found pregnant off a freeway and was thought to be about 2 years old. She had just weaned off several pups when we got her and she's led a rather pampered life ever since.

Shelley loves nothing better than to explore the many Arizona trails. She's an excellent trail dog, very light on her feet, sure footed, and stays right beside me even when other dogs or people pass by... Otherwise she's quite content to find her favorite spot on the couch next to me or bother me for her treat in the morning - beef jerky. Last exam the vet said that she's the healthiest 13 year old that he's seen and don't change a thing.

You folks at HALO Animal Rescue really do a great service and I'm always pleased to contribute to your cause. I'm sure you've made many, many other people and pets as happy as Shelley and I have been.

Thanks,

Robert (Stewart) Bloemer



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Letter from the President

HALO'S NEW LOCATION COMES WITH NEW PARTNERSHIPS FOR THE PETS



Dear Friends,

Reflecting back on 2017, we had an exciting and eventful year. Our contract ended with Maricopa County Animal Care and Control in April, and therefore, we moved our headquarters to a new location in North Phoenix.

We are ecstatic about our new digs and would love to show it off to you with a tour if you have not seen it yet. With our move we gained the ability to branch out and partner with several other shelters in the state, are assisting some owners who need to find a new family for their pet and are even able to help Los Angeles County's shelters to reduce overcrowding. With your unwavering support we were able to find homes for 5,482 pets!

We expect 2018 to be another great year of saving lives and playing matchmaker to families and the wonderful pets we have in our care. We are so fortunate to continue our partnerships with Purina, PetSmart Charities and the Petco Foundation, and are forming new partnerships with the folks at Volkswagen North Scottsdale and ESPN Radio. While our address has changed, our dedication to saving the lives of homeless pets has not. Thank you for your support in Helping Animals Live On.

With gratitude,

Heather Allen
President and CEO

We'd like to offer a

HEARTFELT

THANKS

to the wonderful
organizations that
help support
HALO's animals!













PUPPY CURED OF RARE PARASITE



You cured Angel of a nasty parasite and gave her a happy and healthy life. During HALO's 23 years, you've helped rescue more than 60,000 pets. Until now, there has never been a case like Angel's.

Angel didn't have a home or a family to call her own. She lived off of what she could scrounge up on the streets. On the outskirts of a small desert town was where Angel met the awful parasites that infected her. Thank goodness, with your generosity we were able to save her.

When Angel first came to HALO, she looked like a typical case of tick infestation. She was bathed and all the ticks were taken off. It was while we were cleaning her wounds that we found them – botfly larvae! Six of them! They were under her skin. Each one was the size of your fingernail!

If only you could've seen what a trooper she was while we cleaned her up. Angel was given medicine to prevent any further infestation and to help her heal. Botflies are so uncommon that we had to make a few calls to make sure the medicine HALO had on hand would be enough to cure her. Luckily, it was.

You gave Angel the medical care she needed to overcome a rare and terrible parasite. Angel went to live with a volunteer foster family while her wounds healed. Her foster mom fell in love with her and adopted her after just a few weeks. Now Angel is living a happy and healthy life.

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One common issue we see at HALO Animal Rescue among our shelter pets is diarrhea. Whether it is caused by stress or a medication, the treatment is often the same: a good diet and probiotics.

Thankfully, Purina provides all of HALO's pets with healthy and easy to digest food. They also donate Fortiflora, a probiotic that is put on top of the food.

In addition to food and litter, Purina donates Fortiflora to help rescue pets feel better and be more prepared for their new homes.

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ISSUES AMONG SHELTER PETS

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Fortiflora helps pets like Hela. Hela was found under a car. Who knows what the young kitten was eating before she came to HALO.

When Hela first arrived, she had such an upset stomach that she was barely eating. Purina kitten food and probiotics slowly helped Hela get better. Soon she was well enough for adoption.

We could not be more thankful for Purina's support of our cats and dogs!



"GOLDILOCKS" CAT FINDS FOREVER FAMILY

Your donations give choosy pets like Pancake the time they need to find just the right home

With the right people, Pancake will hug, cuddle, and even roll over on her back. With the "wrong" people, Pancake will swat, hiss, and run away. In true "Goldilocks" fashion, Pancake needs just the right match. Your generous gifts gave Pancake the time she needed to find her perfect family.

Pancake came to HALO shortly after Valentine's Day in 2017. She had a broken heart and acted like she did not want anything to do with anyone. But you could tell her toughness was mostly an act.

It was in a foster home that we finally won Pancake over. One day she just flopped down in front of her foster dad's computer and rolled over for belly rubs. Six months after coming to HALO, Pancake was finally adopted.

Pancake's new mom and dad wrote, "Pancake is such a sweet heart. She took a minute to get comfy in her new home but she is loving it! She has taken over the windowsill. She sleeps with us at night and follows us around the house. Thank you for helping us find our new furry family member!"



Pancake spent six months searching for her new family. Thanks to you, she found them.

3,000TH PET FUNDED BY HALO THRIFT BOUTIQUE

Shoppers and volunteers fund the care of more than 300 shelter pets every year

At the HALO Thrift Boutique, your shopping saves lives. As little as one purchase can give medicine to an ill dog. Put together, your purchases fund the full care of more than 300 animals each year. This year, marks the 3,000th animal cared for by the sales at the HALO Thrift Boutique.

The Thrift Boutique was created for animal lovers who cannot volunteer at the shelter to still have a way to help the mission. Shopping at the Thrift Boutique is an easy and convenient way you can make a difference for a homeless pet.

HALO's co-founder, Michel Herstam started the Thrift Boutique in 2006. It is run entirely by volunteers. Even Michel volunteers her time and efforts as the Thrift Boutique Manager.

The HALO Thrift Boutique sells household items, furniture, and women's clothing and accessories.

You can donate small and large items at the Thrift Boutique or you can arrange for large item pick up by calling 602-274-3444.





Follow the Thrift's Facebook page to see the latest items and to be notified of special sales: **facebook.com/HARescueThrift**



BIG ADOPTION NUMBERS Despite Smaller Space

Your support of HALO continues to give food, care, and homes to thousands of pets

2017 saw a lot of change at HALO Animal Rescue. Despite moving into a smaller main shelter space, 5,482 pets found homes thanks to the support of animal lovers like you. Your generous support allows pets to be quickly prepared for adoption and sent to HALO's many adoption centers across the Valley.

Vito was born on the streets. He had four brothers and sisters and it was tough for his mother to feed them all. When Vito was a month old, his family found their way to HALO. At HALO, your support placed them with a foster home. When Vito and his sibilings were all big and strong, your support spayed and neutered the whole family. Then, we found homes for them all.

HALO found homes for 1,119 cats like Vito in 2017.

Conan, a senior dog, was living in a backyard before he came to HALO. His nails were so long they had started to grow into his paw pads. Several of his teeth were decaying. He was sick with a cough. Through the generosity of people like you, Conan was bathed and groomed. He had bloodwork done. He was given antibiotics and his teeth were cleaned. Conan felt like a whole new dog and he quickly found his forever home.





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