Friends of the Animal Shelter supports the programs of the Jackson County Animal Shelter in Phoenix, Oregon.

We provide hundreds of volunteers to help increase pet adoptions and improve the quality of life for Shelter animals while waiting for their new forever homes.

Because preventing unplanned litters is the first step to reducing pet overpopulation, all Shelter animals are spayed/neutered before adoption, and we promote and offer spay/neuter options for non-Shelter pets.

And to ensure animals get a second chance, the Jackson County Animal Shelter and Friends of the Animal Shelter fund preventative and rehabilitative medical treatments.

All of this is in service to our vision that all adoptable animals in Jackson County find a loving home.

And you can help!

Waldo’s Story

It takes a village to raise a child, and sometimes it takes all of us to save a cat.

Waldo was hit by a car and brought to the emergency vet in Central Point. After stabilizing him, he came to the Shelter and was assessed for adoptability, including how bad his injuries were – and if he was treatable. Because Waldo was a sweetheart, it was decided to dip into our Medical Fund to take care of him. Unfortunately, his leg was too badly damaged to save, so it was amputated. Friends of the Animal Shelter volunteers and Shelter staff took tender care of this particularly brave, loving cat until it was time for his surgery. Billi Jo, owner of Wellness Pet Supplies in Ashland, volunteered to be his foster mom through his recuperation.

Billi Jo cared for him in the back room of her store, and when she wasn’t holding Waldo, her husband and friends from the community and Shelter volunteers could be found with this sweet boy on their laps.

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The first 24 hours after his surgery were hard on him and rough for everyone who loved him. But Waldo is a super hero and within a very short time he was feeling more comfortable and was back to his sweet, endearing self.

When the word got out about this exceptional cat, people showed a lot of interested in adopting him, including a woman from Weed, California, Lynda Lou. She visited Waldo several times and fell head over heels in love with him.

Waldo, now renamed Jackson, is settled into his new home. Lynda calls him “an absolute darling – an angel with an extraordinary personality.”

She reports that his gait is improving regularly and his wound has completely healed. Lynda has been doing her homework, and has watched several on-line videos about caring for 3-legged cats. Waldo loves sitting by her tall window, looking and cackling at the birds, so Lynda is having a special cat tree designed and built so that Jackson will be able to “climb like a tiger to his window perch.” She hopes to get him a new kitty companion from the shelter in the next six months, but for now is just loving the time she and Jackson are spending together.

We would like to thank the many volunteers and donors who care for Shelter animals and help us pay for these types of life-saving procedures. This is just one story amongst many that illustrates the important work we do.

Was Waldo owned by someone before his accident? We will never know, but if he was wearing a collar with an ID tag, his owners could have been contacted. Breakaway collars with an ID tag are a cat owners’ best option for finding a lost cat. Microchips also work, but only if you keep your contact information up-to-date. Many animals enter the Shelter with microchips, but the information associated with the chip is out of date and useless in reuniting a pet and owner. If your pets are microchipped make sure the information is up-to-date today. Call your veterinarian for assistance if you do not know the chip manufacturer.
MONTHLY LOW-COST PET VACCINATIONS & NAIL TRIMS

Bring your dog or cat on the third Saturday of the month to Jackson County Animal Service's Low-Cost Pet Vaccination Clinic from 11 AM to 1 PM. $10 each, CASH ONLY.

Vaccinations, given by licensed veterinarians, are available for dogs: Rabies and Distemper/Parvo booster, and cats: Rabies and Distemper/Rhino/Calici booster.

Your pets must be at least 8 weeks old. Pets who are ill, on antibiotics, in heat, or on cortisone medications cannot be vaccinated. Also, nail trimming is offered for $5 per pet, CASH ONLY.

You can also purchase your dog license by cash, credit card, or check, with a rabies certification. Dogs older than 6 months are required by Oregon law to be vaccinated for rabies and licensed.

7 REASONS WHY TWO KITTENS ARE BETTER THAN ONE
1) One kitten can become lonely and bored.
2) Two kittens will “self-train” each other.
3) Two kittens help each other burn off energy.
4) Fewer behavior problems with two kittens.
5) Curiosity overcomes “food finickyness.”
6) They will each have a friend for life.
7) You’ll save two lives instead of one.

ADOPT 2-FUR-1

Cats thrive when they have company, that’s why Friends of the Animal Shelter has created this special “adopt two for the price of one” program.

When you find your purr-fect pair, we pay the second adoption fee!

Our volunteers can help you find two shelter cats that already enjoy each other’s company.

It’s just another way we work to support the shelter animals.

WAGGIN’ TALES MONTHLY USED BOOK SALE

On the last Saturday and Sunday each month, Friends of the Animal Shelter hosts the “Waggin’ Tales Used Book Sale” at the Jackson County Animal Shelter.

Peruse our ever-changing inventory and pay what you want.

Saturday, Noon – 4 PM
Sunday, Noon – 2 PM

LOUIE’S RESTAURANT $20 GIFT CARDS

Purchase a $20 gift card to Louie’s in Ashland and FOTAS gets to keep $10. You enjoy a wonderful meal (or two), and we get to save more animals!

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CELEBRATING ADOPTIONS

We love celebrating the many adoptions to new forever homes. Thank you Darius for sending in your story!

Molly (now Maile) was one of two dogs found abandoned in a house in early April. She’s a pretty 4-year-old Queensland heeler mix, who is gentle and shy. Darius came to the Shelter looking for his doggy soul mate, and when he met Molly, he knew they belonged together.

“I named Maile after my favorite lei in Hawaii, which is very fragrant. It really fits her personality, which is pure sweetness. She’s adjusting to her new home well, and it turns out that she’s more than just my dog – she also gets love from my large group of friends at SOU.

“Maile has gone on many adventures with me and my friends already! She’s scared of my guinea pigs and fascinated by my fish! Maile loves to be near me, and is always ready for snuggling. She is phenomenal and I’m so happy we have each other.”

And we’re thrilled that you found each other! It makes our hearts sing when we hear such happy tales (tails).

At Friends of the Animal Shelter, we take our mission seriously... finding loving, fur-ever homes for as many adoptable animals as we can!

Each month, on average, 136 dogs are walked, played with and trained, 128 cats are nurtured and loved, and 32 dogs, cats, kittens, puppies, and rabbits are placed in foster care. All of these animals are getting the attention and compassion they need to ease their fears and become more adoptable.

Announcing the new Friends of the Animal Shelter website

- Improved Resources
- Easier navigation

At FOTAS.org
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FOR MORE CHANCES TO WIN BASKETS OF PET GOODIES WORTH UP TO $75

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City, State, Zip __________________________________________

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Email Address ____________________________________________

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Please provide info about your dogs & t-shirt size

DOG #1

Dog’s Name: ____________________________________________

Person’s T-Shirt Size: _________________________________

DOG #2

Dog’s Name: ____________________________________________

Person’s T-Shirt Size: _________________________________

DOG #3

Dog’s Name: ____________________________________________

Person’s T-Shirt Size: _________________________________

T-shirt size’s available
(One shirt per dog)

Additional t-shirts available for sale at the dog walk:
- Adult Small
- Adult Medium
- Adult Large
- Adult XL
- Adult XXL (add $3)

PAYMENT

# of dogs _____ x $30/dog + XXL t-shirt surcharge $______ = $__________

CHECK: Make out to FOTAS. Please write DOG WALK on memo line. Check #__________

CREDIT CARD #: _______________________________________________

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27th Annual
Puss ‘n Boots
Costume Ball
& Halloween Party

Saturday, October 27th
7 - 11 p.m.
ScienceWorks Hands-On Museum

We’re pulling out the all the stops this year!

New Venue … ScienceWorks Hands-On Museum, Ashland. With lots more room to roam and play, you’ll have even more fun!

Bigger Prizes … Compete in the individual, couple and group costume categories!

Scrumptious Dinner, dessert and no-host bar

Fabulous Silent Auction … one-of-a-kind items donated by our supportive local businesses.

Great Music … The Rogue Suspects will be playing hot dance music in the “big room.”

And More … surprises waiting for you at this new venue!
TICKETS GO ON SALE SEPTEMBER 1:
- Paddington Station, Ashland
- Music Coop, Ashland
- Friends of the Animal Shelter office
- And ONLINE at fotas.org/pnb

$50.00 ticket price includes a fabulous evening with dinner and dessert catered by Mucho Gusto, and dancing to the great music of The Rogue Suspects! No animals or minors, please.

This annual event is always a sell-out, and with all this new, fun stuff happening, you’ll want to buy your tickets early!

Funds raised at the Puss ‘n Boots gala help fund life-saving programs and services throughout the year.

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Second Chances

Many years ago, our county shelter euthanized animals with treatable medical issues, especially contagious diseases. With an old, small shelter, a small, overworked staff, and limited County funding, it seemed like the best solution to keep the greater adoptable population healthy.

Over the past decade, however, the Shelter and Friends of the Animal Shelter have put several life-saving programs in place to make sure that all adoptable animals get the chance they need to find their fur-ever homes.

MEDICAL AND VOLUNTEER SUPPORT

Treating communicable diseases, like upper respiratory infections (URIs), tummy issues, worms, and ringworm fungus, takes both time and money. URIs, for instance, require an antibiotic twice a day for ten days! Getting rid of worms requires two or three treatments over several weeks. Ringworm fungus requires oral, topical treatment, and sulfur bath dippings, and takes two months or more to clear up.

Although the Shelter picks up most of the cost, Friends of the Animal Shelter contributes approximately $50,000 annually to cover medical expenses, including medications and local vet services.

FOSTERING

So, paying for the treatment is great – but how the heck can we stop the spread of disease in such close quarters? Friends of the Animal Shelter’s Fostering Program volunteers come to the rescue. Many sick animals are placed with volunteers, who give them the treatments and love they need, to recover – and find their way into adoption.

Thanks to the medical care they now receive, many more deserving animals have found loving homes.

YOU CAN HELP

We are often asked, “What can I do to help?” Contributing to Friends of the Animal Shelter’s Medical Fund enables us to help provide treatments - resulting in more animals making it into adoption.

Please consider making a donation to our Medical Fund fotas.org/donate or becoming a Foster volunteer Fotter Families are always needed. fotas.org/foster

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Foster dog Memphis, treated and adopted in 2018
Volunteering @ the Shelter
GET INVOLVED AND JOIN OUR VOLUNTEER TEAM TODAY

What is the purr-fect formula for saving more lives when the County Shelter budget allows for only a few dedicated employees? Well, add a lot of dedicated volunteers, and more deserving pets find loving homes. We’re often asked how much of a commitment is involved with being a Friends of the Animal Shelter volunteer. Really, it’s only a couple of hours per week. We provide the training you need to feel confident and competent, and then you tell us when you’ll be at the Shelter to help out. It’s that easy!

SUPPORT SERVICES (NOT DIRECT ANIMAL CARE)
We have several opportunities for volunteers that are not directly working with animals, but more of a support role. We are looking for volunteers that can help answer phones, questions and greet the public at the shelter front desk. We also have several openings for for Dog Kennel Coordinators who greet the public, help answer questions and support our volunteers and dogs by keeping our kennel white board updated with current information.

DOG CARE
It is rewarding to see how enthusiastically the dogs respond to their walker companions and how calm and well behaved they are when perspective adopters come to visit.

CAT CARE
Cat volunteers help their feline friends look and feel better, as well as make them easier to handle, which helps them get adopted quicker.

ADOPTION ASSISTANCE
Adoption counseling can be one of the most rewarding volunteer opportunities because you help potential adopters find a pet that matches their personality and lifestyle, thus ensuring the pet has a permanent, loving home.

FOSTERING
One of the most essential volunteer opportunities, which is both fun and rewarding, is providing a foster “home between homes” for dogs/puppies and cats/kittens prior to adoption. With support from FOTAS, you help socialize animal(s) in your loving home – making them highly adoptable. This is a wonderful and personal way to help save homeless pets.

NEW VOLUNTEER ORIENTATION
There are many more ways you can help save homeless pets.
For a complete list of volunteer opportunities, please sign up for a New Volunteer Orientation meeting by contacting the office at (541) 774-6651 or fotasjc@gmail.com.
Find the volunteer activity that works best for you!

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Our Legacy Society

There is no greater legacy than a beating heart that would not have had a chance, had it not been for you.

Friends of the Animal Shelter Legacy Society

One easy and important way you can help deserving animals find new, loving homes is to include Friends of the Animal Shelter in your estate planning. Please let us know if you would like to join our Legacy Society. We are happy to provide any information you need.

Options include naming us as a beneficiary in your Will or Trust, life insurance or retirement savings plan. And, if you have a charitable fund, or are considering establishing a fund, let your representative know that you intend to leave Friends of the Animal Shelter a legacy gift.

Over the years, Legacy gifts have helped us build Puppy Place and Kitty Korner, greatly improved the exercise yard, and helped pay for medical treatment for adoptable animals. Big or small, remembering Friends of the Animal Shelter means your generosity will keep on giving.

Thank you for considering joining fellow Southern Oregonian animal lovers in our Legacy Society as we come together to help find new, loving homes for animals.

Questions? Please contact Tilly Gibbs at (541) 601-2642 or tilly.gibbs@hotmail.com.

Shelter Wish List

- Wet and dry cat, kitten, dog, and puppy food in original bags (Diamond brand preferred)
- Dog collars and leashes
- Clean towels, and lots of them! All sizes needed from large towels to washcloths
- Small blankets and bedding
- Dog and cat beds (washable)
- Small cat litter pans
- Baby shampoo and pet shampoo
- Dog and cat toys
- EXTRA-LARGE Kongs for dogs

Volunteer Opportunities

There is something for everyone at the Shelter.

- Dog walkers – especially big dogs
- Dog enrichment – creating treats for our 4-legged friends
- Cat room volunteers – socialize, feed and care
- Adoption Counselors – help an adopter find love at the Shelter
- Foster families for dogs, kittens and hospice animals
- Street Dogs Project – help us work with the homeless
- Plus many non-hands-on help like Shelter front desk support, dog kennel coordinator fundraising, event planning, graphic design, and promotions.
- The opportunities are endless!

Contact the Friends of the Animal office at (541) 774-6651 or fotasjc@gmail.com to be invited to a New Volunteer Orientation.

Foster dog Robin, adopted in 2018

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DOG WALK & FAIR

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Event includes a 1 and 2 miles walk, costume contest, and lots of vendor booths. Come celebrate with us and help raise funds for FOTAS’ many programs.

Sunday, September 16
9:00 AM – 2:00 PM
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IN THE MEDFORD CENTER

Pre-register today using the form on page 5 or register online at fotas.org/dog-walk