



Second Chance Animal Rescue™

Second Chance Animal Rescue is a nonprofit, 501(c)(3) all-volunteer organization dedicated to rescuing, caring for and placing homeless dogs and cats into forever, loving homes. We educate the public on respect for all animal life, including the importance of spaying and neutering in order to reduce the number of animals euthanized.

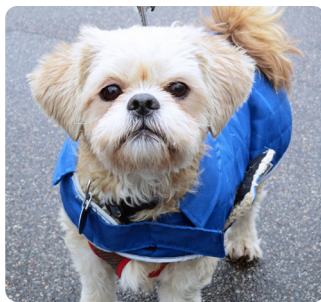
The World Has Changed

This past year has been like nothing we have ever seen and the world has changed for both humans and animals because of Covid-19. As people were staying home more and more, we found that they were wanting to adopt dogs and cats for companionship. That was good for the rescue animals and the people but there were other issues that came up because of the pandemic that slowed rescues down. Veterinarians had to stop spaying and neutering animals because the personal protective equipment needed to be used for people. This meant many dogs and cats in our program stayed in foster waiting for

clinics to start performing surgeries again. This lasted over two months so we were not able to take in new animals because our fosters were full waiting for surgeries. Finally, surgeries started and dogs and cats were being altered and adopted again - but vet clinics are still backed up because services are curbside, along with other protocol, so appointments require more time. The challenges didn't stop there - we had to get creative in order to show and adopt out our animals while practicing social distancing and people wearing face masks. Everyone was so cooperative and we are very appreciative. 🐾

A Change of Heart

An extremely matted stray Shih Tzu mix was picked up by a local animal control facility; they named him "Mufasa." He was matted to the skin so he was shaved down and given a routine exam and vaccinations. Upon exam, he was found to have a grade 3 out of 6 heart murmur - grade 3 murmurs are mid-range, loud and easily detected. No one reclaimed this sweet, friendly, little guy and when his stray hold was up, they got him scheduled for a neuter before putting him up for adoption. When administering the pre-anesthetic drugs, Mufasa went into cardiac arrest - he stopped breathing and his heart stopped. They quickly gave him epinephrine and oxygen and started chest compressions. His heart still would not start. They kept doing chest compressions for four long minutes before his heart started beating



again. Obviously, they could not continue with the neuter. We are not sure if his heart murmur caused these complications or not. After he recovered, they listed him as "rescue only" and indicated that he needed an entirely different drug protocol for neutering and a rescue would need to be responsible for that. Second Chance took him into our program and our vet did another exam and set up a neuter date. To everyone's amazement, none of the veterinarians at our clinic could detect ANY heart murmur at all! He came through his neuter surgery just fine, happily went into his foster home, and soon found his new forever home with a previous adopter and their two dogs. No one was able to give an explanation for the disappearance of his heart murmur. But we think Mufasa may have had a near-death experience when his heart had stopped for so long and he came back with his heart healed! 🐾

Danny Thrives With 2 Good Legs

Danny is a very special 1 year old cat who was born with a bone defect. We rescued him from a local animal control facility where one of his littermates had been adopted and the other one was taken by another rescue (neither of those kittens had any physical problems). So, Danny sat waiting for rescue, which is when we took him in. Danny was born without hip bones so his back legs are not usable except for stability when he runs and walks. We didn't know what to expect for Danny's future - we had x-rays taken and a specialist reviewed them and examined him. The recommendation was to let him be since he got along so well and it would make him worse if his legs were splinted or wrapped. Danny doesn't know anything different because this is how he has been since birth and he gets along quite well. He can even do some stairs, jump on the couch and chase his toys. He is the most affectionate and sweet cat who loves to cuddle. Danny is waiting for his special person to give him his forever home. 🐾



"Animal lovers are a special breed of humans, generous of spirit, full of empathy, perhaps a little prone to sentimentality, and with hearts as big as a cloudless sky."

— John Grogan

A Miracle for Rose Marie

It was very cold last January when we became aware of a dog in South Dakota who was in desperate need of help. Second Chance has been helping dogs from the Mobridge area of the Standing Rock Reservation for many years and we have contacts in that area that identify dogs in need. A couple of people in the area had been trying to catch this bedraggled stray for weeks but she was very afraid and would not let herself be caught. It



was obvious that she had a very bad case of mange with lots of hair loss, wounds and scars on her face, head, and body from possible attacks by other animals, and she was emaciated. Time went on and she became weaker and weaker. We were fearful that in her condition and with the below zero temperatures, she would soon be found dead. But a miracle happened. One of the people who had been watching for her found her lying in the snow, still

breathing but so weak she was unable to lift her head. So, he picked her up and brought her to the nearest vet clinic where they provided the necessary emergency care. Second Chance put out a call to our volunteers to see if there was anyone available to drive out to South Dakota to pick her up. Carrie, one of our volunteers, got in her car and drove 400 miles with bad roads, below zero temps and blowing

and drifting snow to get her, then drove 400 miles back to Minnesota. We named her Rose Marie - she needed a beautiful name to grow into. After four months of TLC from Rita, her foster mom, Rose Marie doubled her weight, grew a thick coat of fur and transformed into a happy, sweet, gentle dog as beautiful as her name. Rose Marie is now living the good life with her forever family. 🌸



April - In out of the Rain and Into a New Home

April was found outside during several days of heavy rainstorms. She was so matted that she couldn't walk very well or turn her head in either direction. We immediately brought her to a vet to have her sedated, shaved down, and have other



vet work done. It took April a little while to adjust to her foster home, and she was thrilled when she found that she could run and play with toys, always have good food available and get lots of love. April had a big personality for a little cat. She found her forever home with a very nice couple who love her.



Second Chance Helps Low-Income and More

In 2020, we continued to provide grants to Minnesota Spay Neuter Assistance Program (MN SNAP) to help spay/neuter more animals of low-income residents in Minnesota and to help with stray cat colonies and barn cats. And, we sponsored spay/neuter and wellness clinics at Red Lake Rosie's Rescue and at Leech Lake Reservation.

We also provided more financial assistance through our Community Outreach

Program to people whose dogs or cats needed veterinary care that the owners could not afford. With people losing their jobs, this Program was much needed. By helping people with financial assistance, we help their animals so they can stay in their homes and also receive the vet care they need.

Thank you to Target Corporation for providing a grant to this important Program.

Nora Overcomes Sight Obstacles

Nora was a 2-3 year old injured stray waiting for rescue at a local animal control facility. We couldn't let her sit there any longer without medical help. There was an injury to her left eye so we brought her to an ophthalmologist. Unfortunately, the left eye is completely blind from some type of blunt force trauma and she can only see shadows out of her right eye. But that doesn't stop Nora from loving life and being the sweetest cat who loves to cuddle and be petted. Nora had to learn to deal with her newfound lack of sight and her foster Mom helped with that. She showed Nora where her litter box was and that's all Nora needed to use it without any problem. Feeding her was a little trickier as Nora couldn't see the dish as she was walking around so her foster Mom tapped the plate and Nora found where her food was placed. Her amazing whiskers help her a lot in navigating things - sides of furniture, the wall, her scratcher, her food, etc. After a couple of weeks,

Nora ventured out into the rest of the home and slowly learned where things were. She was so proud of herself when she jumped up on the couch and sat by her foster Dad. She put her paws up to feel how high it was and successfully jumped up. Nora can now jump up on the bed and sleeps with her fosters. She has also navigated a few stairs! Nora is waiting for her special someone to give her a loving home. 🌸



"The animals of the planet are in desperate peril...Without free animal life, I believe we will lose the spiritual equivalent of oxygen."
— Alice Walker

Second Chance is in need of:

- Foster care volunteers
- Gift cards for Petco, PetSmart, Target, Office Depot, Fleet Farm, Chuck & Don's
- Gas gift cards
- Copy paper
- Cat treats
- Dog treats (American made)
- Dog rawhides (American made)
- Kongs
- Small dog collars
- Monetary donations

Memorials & Honorariums

Donations were made to Second Chance in memory of or in honor of the following human and animal friends:

In Loving Memory

Jim Klug by Carol & Fred Maske, Carol Stabenow
Police Officer Kenneth Faust, Sr. by Gail Brors
Pete by Mary Sandok
Mary Lou Moran by Mary Moran
Claude Benavides by Dace Trencé
Michael Murzyn by Erin Glass, Megan & Tyler Anderson, Robert Jambor & Family, Andrea Erickson, Sophie Mueller, Terri & Michael Davis, Tina & Jeff Nickel, Tressie & Phil Menning, Lyle & Sherri Streble, Eileen Streble, Weekes Forest Products, Inc., Karen O'Hearn, Sarah Liveringhouse, Phyllis Bjork, Angela Cooper, Renee Wojack, Linda Andrajack, Sheryl Kempf, Doris Mruz-Partyka, John Patricelli, Sally Gorman, Susan Ackerman
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Katie Stockness Arcand by Jane Martz

'Riverton' by Pamela Jonson
'Morris' by Mary Moran
'Emma' by Julia Kancans
'Jesse', 'Shelby' & 'Kirby' by Mary Sandok
'Winnie' & 'Ella' by Anna Martinez
'Spencer' by Shawna Gibson
'Pixie' by Dean Bakken
'Ellie' & 'Sherman' by Heather Lindseth
'Rufus' by Kim Szatkowski
'Copper' by Ann & Mark Paparella
'Ollie' Downing by Gail Stremel
'Squiggles' by Sondra Steitz
'TT' by Reid Danielson
'Rocky' & 'Theodore' by John & Kathy Kincaid

'Tanya' by Jim Hassing
'Mocha Chino Ring' by Heather Ring
'Terry', 'Trudy', 'Kyle', 'Charlie', 'Honey', & 'Higgins' by Christy Novak
'Jingle' by Jim Mihalek
'Sophie' by Richard Christenson
'Taz' & 'Rufus' by Mike & Shirley Seubert
'Monkey' & 'Zeke' by Dace Trencé
'Tippy', 'Muffet', 'Mittens', 'Kitty', 'Mia' & 'CC' by Ruth Nelson
'Glady's' by Nancy Powers
'Charlie' & 'Griffin' by Andrea Kelly
'Maggi' by Kate Mura & Jim Neher
'Gus' & 'Cubby' by Catherine Watson
'Buddy' by Doris Williams
'Itty-Bitty' Arntzen by Lisa Richardson
'Little Bear' by Patti Fastner
'Sophie' by Cathy Ribble
'Gracie' by Rex & Susan Woodward
'Hazel' Erpelding by Martha Erpelding, Nancy Minion

'Holly' Kotewa by Gail Stremel
'Madison' & 'Crosby' by Earl & Margie VanBerkom
'Aztec' by Michelle Basham
'Dodger' by Toni Zinda
'Prancer' by Curtis Broz
'Dixie' by Dace Trencé
'Angel' Gillen by Jane & Chuck Martz
'Belle' by James Mihalek
'Zha Zh' by Rose Kitt
'Little Bear' by Patti Fastner
'Callie' Rayer by Tracy Ullmann
'Keah' Bluhm by Claudia Wondra
'Kara' Kozacz by Christine Mardakis
'Sophie' by Sheryl Sandahl
'Reggie' by Sheila Gresko
'Ricky' by Ashley Follmer
'Bob' by Shawn Webb
'Cleo' & 'Izzy' by Kim Glasbrenner
'Dodger' & 'Ruby' by Toni Zinda
'Sophie' by Ryan Johnson
'Chloe' by Jeffrey Huset
'Waverly' by Jim Krittta
'Allie' by Elisa Pluhar

In Honor of

Dace Trencé's birthday by Gail Stremel
The people who make Second Chance amazing by Meghna Greeder
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Carol, Matt, Nate, 'Max' & 'Eleanor' Stabenow by Dave & Susan Sumner
Nancy & 'Jade' Haugen by Dave & Susan Sumner
Chris, 'Jesse' & 'Jayda' Bodell by Dave & Susan Sumner

Irmy & Myron Haugen by Paul & Patricia Gust
Carol Stabenow & Family by Paul & Patricia Gust
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Katie Boas by Matthew Becker
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Carol Stabenow & Family by Nancy Haugen
Nancy Haugen & 'Jade' by Carol Stabenow
Gail Stremel by Dace Trencé, Jane Kotewa, Don Gemberling
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Peg Erpelding for Christmas by Martha Erpelding, Mary Erpelding, Amy Stoecker
Eric Nelson & 'Jimmy' by Jodi MacLennan
Jane Kotewa by Don Gemberling
Carol, Matt, Nate, 'Max', & 'Eleanor' Stabenow by Tim & Linda Conely
Nancy & 'Jade' Haugen by Tim & Linda Conely
Chris Bodell by Tim & Linda Conely
Jesse, Jayda & 'Bear' Bodell by Tim & Linda Conely
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Don Gemberling's birthday by Gail Stremel, Jane Kotewa, Dace Trencé

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Kim Glasbrenner by John O'Phelan
Irmy Haugen for mother's day by Nancy Haugen
Irmy Haugen's birthday by Nancy Haugen
Jane Kotewa's birthday by Gail Stremel
Don Gemberling by Jane Kotewa
Irmy & Myron Haugen's anniversary by Carol Stabenow, Nancy Haugen, Dave & Susan Sumner, Patricia & Paul Gust, Tim & Linda & Conely Family
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Rita Klingelhut by Alexandra Zoellner
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'Mandy' by Lisa Rockwood
'Finley' by Mary Ann Kastorff
'Roxy' by Katharine Pickman
'Gypsy' by Julie Porcher
'Ella' & 'Emma' by Anne & Steve Johnson
'Sophie', 'Noah', 'Charlie' & 'Bronson' by Jody Peterson
'Mochi' by Aubre Suttle
'Zeus' by Eric & Gretchen Truck
'Darla' by Heather Walch
'Hannah' by Bobbie Rudnick
'Rosco' by Cheryl Germer
'Nakita' & 'Norman' by Laura Hage
'Chico' & 'Perry' by Debi Drake
'Shadow' by Anonymous
'Tate' by Gayle Collova
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'Toby', 'Frankie' & 'Sola' by Frances Spalding
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'Josephine' by Barbara Manning
'Mindy' by Anonymous
'Buddy' by Kathryn Birardi
'Guinan' & her puppies by Doreen Dalesandro
'Buck' by John & Kathy Kincaid
'Jack' by Brian & Judy Sundstrom
'Nelson' by Joyce Franklin
'Spicy's' foster mom by Cynthia Carlson

'Goldie' by Karen Seppmann
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'Carly' by Donald Smith & Marlene Stum
'Nellie' & 'Henry' by Earl & Margie VanBerkom
'Corky' & 'Ronan' by Kathleen Johnson
'Willow' by Julie Novak
'Robbie' & 'Murray' by Matthew Becker
'Moonshadow' by Jeannette Wittrock
'Kit' by Barbara Manning
'Ricky Rubio' by Patti Carlin
'Lena' by Darcie Lager
'Savvy' by Peter Lawson
'Gracie' by Barbara Hubbard
'Samuel' & 'Edison' by Audrie Marie
'Bella' and her foster mom, Mary, by Darcie & Brian Leonard
'Tyson' by Anonymous
'Moose' by Thomas Plunkett
'Trixie' & 'Phoebe' by Patti Fastner
'Mason' by Emily Seddon
'Lena' by Darcie Lager
'Rosie' & 'Aztec' by Mark Goldberg
'Shayah' & 'Caribe' by Beatriz Valdez
'Sherman' & 'Ellie' by Heather Lindseth
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'Rosco' by Julie Anderson
'Mickey & the dogs of the South' by Briana Sherrer
'Ginger' by Michelle Gonzales
'Nora' by Deb Blazer
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Fostering Saves Lives

Are you on the fence about fostering?
“I would rather cry watching them leave our home to live a life of happiness and joy in a loving home rather than cry because no one stepped up to help them and they died alone, frightened and sad in a shelter.”

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Second Chance provides training and the supplies you need to care for your foster dog or cat. The animals will be vetted prior to you taking them into your home. Please call us if you are interested in helping us save more lives.

A Big Thank You To:

- Our **adopters** who saved a life!
- All of our **contributors**
- All of our **volunteers** who foster, transport, solicit supplies, work at events, and more
- The **veterinarians** who work with our program: Forest Lake Veterinary Hospital, Hudson Road Animal Hospital, Life Care Animal Hospital, Mendakota Animal Hospital, Oak Grove Animal Hospital, Parkview Cat Clinic, Skadron Animal Hospital, South Shore Animal Hospital
- The **First Impression Group** for generously donating the printing of our newsletter
- The **impound facilities** that allow us to rescue animals who otherwise would be euthanized
- **Petco** for donations
- **Target** for food and supplies and a local pet food warehouse for Science Diet and Nutro food
- All the adults, children, groups and businesses that have made dog and cat toys and beds, raised money for the animals, and held food drives
- Max & Neo for dog collars and leashes

Dogs and Cats Available for Adoption

Go to our website under the “Pet List” tab to view our animals available for adoption. And, to see some of our animals who have found their forever homes, click on the “Happy Endings” tab.

www.secondchancerescue.org



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