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**We Save 50 from "Country Living!"
 Donations Doubled until May 31, 2020!**

SPRING 2020

Rescue the Animals, SPCA

Over 50 little dogs in danger!

You Can Double Their Chances to Live! Donor Pledges \$20,000 IF we can match it by May 31.

Multiple seizures have flooded our kennels with dogs! Now, one of our donors has stepped up to match every dollar of donations up to \$20,000!

Your donation can double the chances to live for these beautiful dogs. We work with law enforcement in 20 West Texas counties to fight animal abuse and neglect. Our phone has been ringing a lot this winter bringing us 10, 20, 30 or more animals at a time. There is never any advance warning. We must act within hours to pick up the animals and arrange medical care. **We have taken 21 already this week from the Abilene Animal Shelter.**

The Taylor County Sheriff's Office has been super busy asking for our help in three cases totaling over 50 dogs! As people in our area grow older, their failure to spay and neuter means they can't afford medical care or enough food for all their animals. In one case, the dogs were **starving**. In another, **8 dogs were pregnant** which would have doubled the number of animals the people had. Many have **heartworms**.

Our "Air Force" is very active with volunteer flights arriving in Abilene as often as every weekend bringing pets that have serious needs from all over Texas. Unfortunately, nearly all the flights are one way, leaving us with more animals and more expense.

However, our partners in other states are taking more animals than ever!

40 animals to Wisconsin. 47 Animals to New York. 48 animals again to Wisconsin. Additional trips went to New Mexico, Utah, Arkansas, Florida, New Jersey, and Kentucky. We have animals racing to new homes all over America, and we are scrambling to keep up. **We need your help TODAY!**

Too wonderful to ever lose! Pookie Bear after 7 years...

This little Dachshund has a wonderful life. His owner adopted him just before Valentine's Day in 2013. She says, "Everyone who spends time with us says I must have birthed him myself since we are so in sync! Thank you for bringing him to me. I don't know where I would be without him!"



Too déjà vu!

From death row in Corsicana to heaven in a new home. GEM immediately slipped under the coffee table and later curled up by the computer. George and Tootsie Nichols had just lost a wonderful dog and these were places he loved. GEM slept with them the first night and woke Tootsie at 2 am to go outside (housebroken is great). GEM now rings a little bell by the door when she needs to go outside.

Every dollar you give will be doubled!

FRIENDLY SKIES!

Recently we have had almost weekly air service as volunteer pilots bounce around Texas bringing us dogs that have to move in a hurry

Wing Walking Rotty: Crouching low over the wing, Brian the Rotty held on tight. Fortunately the plane had already landed in Abilene!

Dogs Survive Owner's Murder: Pockets and Buddy arrived with Mike and Mary Reddick of Ft. Worth, who flew to Sugarland and brought them to us after their owner had been murdered in North Carolina and a relative brought them to Sugarland.

Racing against the pregnancy clock, Sissy was airlifted to Abilene from Houston and then by car to Lubbock where her puppies poured out just after arrival.

Kiss the Cook....Kiss the Pilot too! Little Cypress was extremely happy with her flight and arrival at Abilene Aero.

To Rescue Dogs Rock in NYC!

Sindy, an older Terrier was flown to us from Houston. In addition to thyroid and skin problems, she had the worst case of worms Dr. Bolt has ever seen. She actually vomited and pooped worms for days! Ugh! But her recovery went well, and she was off to NYC.

Flying Dogs!

Not only do we have dogs being flown into Abilene, they are trying to fly out on their own! Tiny Ricardo is the smallest Yorkie pilot ever. One day we found him high in the sky at the top of his six-foot tall kennel.



Over the years we have worked on several projects with the North Shore Animal League America on Long Island, New York, the world's largest no-kill rescue and adoption organization. Their motor home recently dropped into Abilene to pick up 47 dogs, and they are planning on making more trips soon.

Miss Puff from Abilene Animal Shelter looked great after our grooming!



Miss Puff Before and After



Bonnie and her puppies

Bonnie had a pile of puppies at the Abilene Animal Shelter and then stayed with Dr. Bolt until the family could go to New York.

On a cold winter night **Laverne and Shirley** appeared on our front porch in a tiny crate. The crate was so small it had to be taken apart to get them out! Inside were leashes and a dress.



Laverne & Shirley

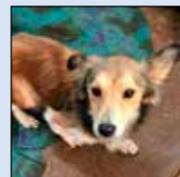
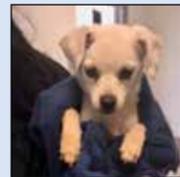


Country Living? The Reality for Many Pets!



The people who dump animals on country roads think life outside the city is grand. The reality is that many good-hearted people take these animals in and soon find they have a tragedy on their hands especially as they grow older on a fixed income. Here are the beautiful dogs we have taken from the Taylor County Sheriff's Office.... over 50 from just three cases!

Dogs tied out to trees. Dogs in bare dirt yards that turn to deep mud with rain. Dogs in wire pens, poop everywhere, dirty water, and never enough food. With every sound they stand up at the wire and plead for help and attention. In one case, there were several dead dogs on the property. Brush and junk probably concealed more. They probably starved or died from lack of medical care.



Nearly 100 dogs have gone to several of our partners in Wisconsin who pool their resources to arrange almost monthly transports of our animals. Even the cold of winter did not slow them down, and two **Husky puppies** (breeder left-overs) we sent north were very happy!

Annabelle and grown puppies **Snoopy, Sabrina, and Macho** dropped into the backyard of an elderly Sweetwater man. By the time his daughter flew in from Florida to help, Annabelle was very pregnant again! She barely made it to Wisconsin before having six beautiful puppies.



Annabelle and puppies



Boo Boo



Max

With her father dying of bone cancer, a woman from Memphis, Tennessee, came to Abilene to clean out his home. She brought us **Boo Boo and Max**. Boo Boo was distraught and stood shivering in his kennel for days before their trip to Wisconsin.

Another cancer victim was forced to part with **Pepper and Buddy**. They are super sweet and were



Fable

quickly off to Wisconsin. Rescue the People seems to describe much of what we do some days!



Pepper



Buddy

Our little Chihuahua **Fable** had such a bad case of vitamin A deficiency that her teeth were coming out.



New Cheese Heads!

Every Donation Doubled till May 31st! Give \$25 we get \$50. Give \$100 we get \$200. 698-SPCA