





A LETTER FROM THE EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR



Hello Friends,

It has been an exciting year here at the Humane Society of Yuma. We have been in our new facility for 18 months now and boy has the time flown by. Every morning that I walk into our shelter I am greeted by the sounds of why we do what we do. Many, many homeless dogs talking to us all as they bark through their morning of being cleaned and fed and readied to be showcased for the day. Last year we adopted over 2,100 animals into loving homes and we sent to rescue 1,025 animals. We often celebrate the amount of lives that have been saved through the efforts of the staff and volunteers here at the shelter. But we cannot forget the many animals who did not find their forever home. The staff has been highly focused on adoptions and alternative placement options both here at the shelter and at Petsmart with the goal of someday saving every adoptable animal from euthanasia.

One of the most important functions of our shelter is our progressive spay and neuter clinic. Last year we altered over 5,400 animals. Altering that many animals has saved thousands and thousands of lives from being born and potentially entering our shelter. With the help of many outside organizations who have provided grant money and our amazing donors, we have been able to provide many of those procedures at no cost to the citizens of our County. The Humane Society of Yuma will continue to provide this life-saving procedure to our community and with your help we will eventually get to our goal. There are many ways you can help with our spay/ neuter efforts. As you see below the State of Arizona offers a pet friendly license plate. \$17 of every license plate sold goes into a fund that is dispersed yearly to animal shelters in the state to support their efforts of spay and neuter. For the past two years the Humane Society of Yuma has received \$10,000 each year from this program. We have recently submitted a request to once again receive this grant. So if you have been thinking about doing something to help the spay and neuter efforts in our community please consider getting one of these specialty license plates for your vehicle, not only will it help with funding but you will also become spokesperson for this great program.

Recently we opened our new thrift store which is now located on the Big Curve at the corner of 32nd Street and 4th Avenue. If you have yet to come by and visit, please plan on making the trip soon. Our volunteers, under the management of our thrift store manager Annette Van Stratten, have done a wonderful job of creating an awesome shopping experience. All of the money that is raised through our thrift store goes directly back into our spay and neuter efforts. This new thrift store location will provide more traffic flow into the store which will ultimately increase revenue.

The Humane Society of Yuma has many other ways that you can help the homeless and abandoned animals of our community. Adopting, volunteering or donating are invaluable to the animals in our shelter. Please consider adopting one as you truly are saving a life. Volunteers help us get closer to our mission every day. By scheduling spay and neuter surgeries, walking a dog or cuddling with a cat, you are making a difference in the lives of so many needy animals and their owners. If you can't volunteer or adopt please consider donating. S25 or more makes you a member of our organization. We are pleased to announce that we currently have over 700 members of our organization. They are people just like you who want to help the homeless and abandoned animals we care for every day.

Helping monetarily can be done many different ways. The Humane Society of Yuma has a legacy program that will allow you to make a lasting mark on the animals of tomorrow that will enter our shelter. Please consider us when you are thinking of making a gift that will make a direct impact. As we continue to saves thousands of lives together, I want you, our supporters, to know that your continued support will allow us to save more and more animals. It is because of you that there is a measurable difference in our community in regards to the amount of animals entering our shelter.

Sincerely,







Mission Statement

"To reduce the number of homeless pets, and promote the value and importance animals contribute to our lives."

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August 9 - Thrift Store Grand Opening

September 27 - For Ball VIII

October 18 - Family Fall Festival

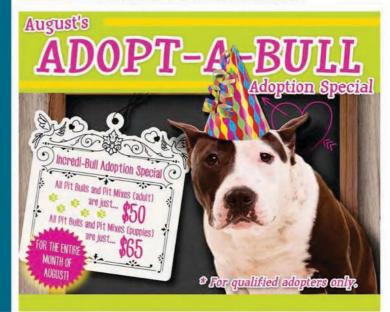
November 8 - Walk II Wag 5K Memorial Run

2015 Events

January 15 - Annual Meeting

March 28 - Critter Country

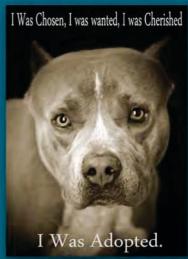
June 6 - Fore Paws Golf Classic



HSOY STATS & FACTS FOR 2014

STATS & FACTS	JAN	FEB	MARCH	APRIL	MAY	JUNE	TOTAL
Dogs turned into the shelter	398	351	383	384	388	408	2312
Cats turned into the shelter	215	240	266	466	541	343	2071
Dogs adopted	127	150	131	105	115	83	711
Cats adopted	46	69	33	34	45	61	288
Dogs released to rescue	153	105	90	104	78	103	633
Cats released to rescue	3	2	0	0	0	0	5
Others released to rescue	1	1	2	2	11	0	17
Dogs returned to owner	60	47	55	52	59	32	305
Cats returned to owner	4	5	2	4	1	0	16
Dogs euthanized	79	86	80	94	92	124	555
Cats euthanized	120	153	196	276	363	310	1418
Shelter dogs spayed/neutered	168	170	140	165	149	114	906
Shelter cats spayed/neutered	56	42	29	40	41	77	285
Public dogs spayed/neutered	187	106	110	114	118	127	762
Public cats spayed/neutered	92	115	74	74	64	44	463









July 2014

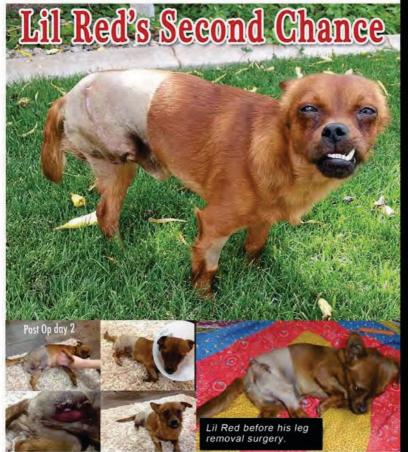


at some point in his life. His right ear was torn off and his left ear was in tatters. His head was missing patches of fur, and he was extremely emaciated. In spite of all of this, Frankie had a sweet and loving spirit with no signs of aggression. He just wanted to be with others and loved.

Thanks to the support of our donors, we were able to provide medication for Frankie's ears, and was later placed into foster care. After one week of being in a "home" environment, and being fed fives meals a day, he started to gain weight and his confidence.

The HSOY sees Frankie as a shining example of how everyone deserves a second chance. Frankie has visited many schools and has helped teach children the importance of being humane and proper pet care. Frankie is also the poster child for how we can all make a difference. He is featured in our "Buy A Paw" program, which allows people to buy a paw for \$1 and recognize someone that they love. Our paw program can be found at the Dateland Visitor Center and Yuma Feed and Livestock. The "Buy A Paw" program raised over \$1,100 for Yuma's homeless pets in just its first weekend!

Today, Frankie resides in his Furever home. Because of this, he has been retired as our Humane ambassador, but he can rest easy knowing that his story is still inspiring others to give and help animals just like him on a daily basis. His second chance is providing second chances for hundreds of dogs and cats just like him, and that is truly something to wag about!



This sweet little guy is known as Lil' Red. He came into our shelter on February 22nd, 2014, because he had been hit by a car. The poor little injured pup could not stand due to his injuries. It took nearly an entire week for Lil' Red to stand on his own, but despite his inner strength, he still could not use his right rear leg. Red was put on crate rest until March 6th, when he went into foster care with a volunteer. During an exploratory surgery, Dr. Perry found that Lil' Red's hip socket had been shattered. Dr. Perry removed the socket and all the broken bone fragments he could find, and then cut off the femur head and hoped he might learn to use the leg with time and therapy. With this surgery there was fear that he had sciatic nerve damage, but only time would tell.

Unfortunately the efforts to save Lil' Red's leg were unsuccessful as the leg was continuing to injure due to his inability to control its movement. Dr. Carney evaluated Lil' Red and scheduled him for a leg amputation on May 5th.

After healing in his foster home, Lil' Red was sent to Ruby Ranch Rescue, a rescue in Phoenix who specializes in special needs dogs. We are sure that Lil' Red has a bright future in Phoenix and will find his "Furever" home in no time! Thank you to all of our volunteers and rescue partners for helping us save so many precious lives ♥

HSOY's Rescue Program & Rescue Partners Provide

Second Chances for Hundreds!

From Jan 1 to May 31, 2014

- Arizona Chihuahua Rescue (Mesa, AZ) www.azchihuahuarescue.org Rescued 12 HSOY Chihuahuas.
- Arizona Happy Tails (Chandler, AZ) http://happytailsaz.org Rescued 23 HSOY dogs
- Bramble Hedge Rabit Rescue (Phoenix, AZ) bhrabbitrescue.org Rescued 16 HSOY rabbits.
- Central AZ Animal Rescue (San Tan Valley, AZ) - caaronline.org Rescued 22 HSOY dogs
- Friends For Life (Gilbert, AZ) azfriends.org Rescued 34 HSOY dogs
- ☆ Haven Animal Rescue (Phoenix, AZ) havenrescue.org Rescued 120 HSOY dogs
- Scottsdale Pet Hotel (Tempe, AZ) http://scottsdalepethotel.rescueme.org Rescued 39 HSOY dogs
- Ruby Ranch Sanctuary (Phoenix, AZ) rubyranchrescue.org Rescued 43 HSOY dogs
- Tender Paws (Phoenix, AZ)
 Rescued 29 HSOY dogs
- VJ Ranch (New River, AZ) vjranchaz.com Rescued 77 HSOY dogs





~ Submitted by an adopter

Like Us On facebook Got a great adoption success story? Visit us on facebook-com/hsoxuma and share the love :)

Submitted by an adopter on our facebook page

on our facebook page Happy 10 year anniversary to sweet Kayla from all of us at the HSOY ...

"Ten years ago, we rescued our sweet girl Kayla, from the HSOY when she was only 9 months old. She has since welcomed 3 children, another dog- her "brother" Jack and our kitty "Dozer." We have a heart for rescuing especially since our animals have been truly amazing."

Check out our recently adopted pet of the week in his new home ...

"Liberty now named Miko, enjoying his new home. Thank you for your help in adopting this great dog. He fits perfectly with our family."

This makes our hearts so happy!!! This poor pup was with us forever. So nice to see him in the happy home he deserved



~ Submitted by an adopter on our facebook page

Talk about one chill kitty...

"Oliver is twelve weeks old now and he is exceedingly happy and healthy. ne is exceedingly happy and health He completes our family and is spoiled rotten beyond description. Thank you for all that you do HSOY!!!"



~ Submitted by an adopter on our facebook page

This adoption follow-up just melted our hearts and we hope it does the same for you!

"This is our beautiful furry bundle of joy; we adopted Kobe 10 years ago, we fell in love the first moment we saw him! When one of us is not home, he stays by the door until we are all together again. He is mommy's shadow! He's the most loved doggy ever! Thank you HSOY for that blessing!!"



Here is little Desert Rose, a little party poodle that was found under a bush on an extremely hot Yuma day by our volunteers Tony & Karen Ortiz. Desert Rose was recently given a makeover by Jo at Urban K9, and has found a spot HSOY's Rescue Run to Phoenix. A big thank you to everyone that was involved in giving this precious girl a fresh start, and thank you to all of our donors and supporters that allow us to make a difference in these precious babies lives each and every

WOWZERS!!!! Check out this EXTREME MAKEOVER!!! Puppy Love Grooming swooped in to save the day for HERO!!! We would like to send a great BIG thank you to Amber at Puppy Love Pet Grooming for revealing this Diamond in the "Ruff"!

TO OUR LOCAL GROOMERS!



HOLY MAKEOVER!!!! Thank you to the wonderful groomers at Shear Delight Pet Grooming for making Barry look and smell good. It's hard to believe that this is the same pup. We are proud to say that Barry was adopted after his makeover!



PETS 網 PRODUCE DON'T MIX

"Help Keep Your Fields Fresh"



The "Pets and Produce Campaign" kicked off on January 1st, 2014. The program was created by the Humane Society of Yuma, and funded by local agricultural companies: Griffin Ranches & JV Smith Farms. The Pets and Produce Campaign was created to both educate the local rural communities about the importance of food safety and keeping pets out of local produce fields & canals.

This program also facilitates a "proactive" approach by offering local communities spay & neuter clinics to help control pet overpopulation. It has been proven that a male dog can smell a female dog in heat up to 5 miles away. By sterilizing the animals, we are ending their desire to escape their yards and mate.

WHEN: January 1st, 2014 to December 31st, 2014

WHERE: Gadsden, San Luis, Wellton, Somerton,

and unincorporated areas of Yuma County & City

March 8th - HSOY altered 20 dogs in Gadsden, AZ May 29th - HSOY altered 27 dogs in Winterhaven, CA June 27th - HSOY altered 24 dogs in Gadsden, AZ





Contact Annette Lagunas to become a sponsor today!

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Help Keep Your Fields Fresh



FOR MORE INFORMATION, LOG ONTO: HSOYUMA.CON Help keep your food fresh & healthy. Keep pets out of fields.

How Can You Help?

- 1. Keep dogs on a leash and away from fields and canals or ditches, Clean up after your pet.
- 2. Exercise horses and other animals away from food crops.
- 3. Dispose of trash and foreign objects properly. Never throw trash or other objects into fields.
- 4. Do not enter agriculture fields, these are protected growing areas.
- 5. Never dump objects or dispose of unwanted substances in canals or ditches.

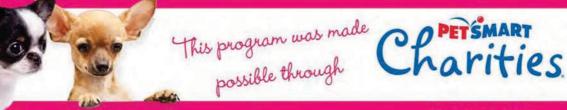
6. Spay & Neuter your pets to cut down their desire to wander away from home.





Did You Know... "Yuma leafy greens represent

a \$3.5 billion industry in Arizona with a workforce of over 50.000."



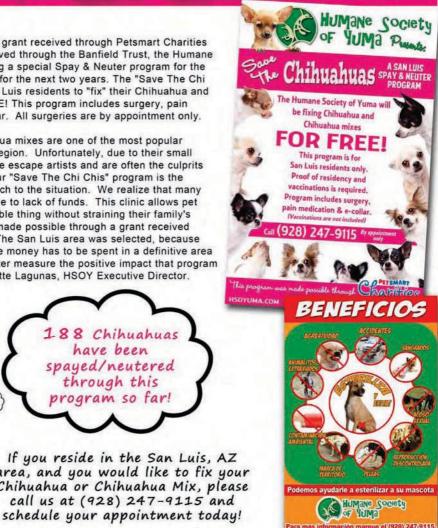


A SAN LUIS e Chi Chi's **PROGRAM**

hanks to a \$100,000 grant received through Petsmart Charities and a \$10,000 grant received through the Banfield Trust, the Humane Society of Yuma is offering a special Spay & Neuter program for the residents of San Luis, AZ for the next two years. The "Save The Chi Chis" program allows San Luis residents to "fix" their Chihuahua and Chihuahua mixes for FREE! This program includes surgery, pain medication and the e-collar. All surgeries are by appointment only.

"Chihuahuas and Chihuahua mixes are one of the most popular breeds in the Southwest region. Unfortunately, due to their small size, these pups tend to be escape artists and are often the culprits of unwanted breeding. Our "Save The Chi Chis" program is the HSOY's pro-active approach to the situation. We realize that many do not spay and neuter due to lack of funds. This clinic allows pet owners to do the responsible thing without straining their family's finances. This clinic was made possible through a grant received from Petsmart Charities. The San Luis area was selected, because the grant specifies that the money has to be spent in a definitive area so that we are able to better measure the positive impact that program is achieving", states Annette Lagunas, HSOY Executive Director.







he Humane Society of Yuma's Thrift Store was first opened to help subsidize a low-cost spay/neuter clinic here in Yuma. The HSOY Thrift Store originally started at the outdoor swap meet in 2007, and then progressed to our old "4th Ave" location in 2008. We are purroud to announce that our Thrift Store has just recently moved to its new "digs" located at 136 W. 32nd Street (right next to APS in the Big Curve Shopping Center) and is doing AMAZING! We are now open to the public but our Grand Opening has been scheduled for August 9, 2014. Make sure to join us for the grand celebration!

"The new HSOY Thrift Store truly offers a boutique-like atmosphere at outlet prices. Many of our clothes have been recently donated and have never been worn, and many still have the tags on them. There is amazing furniture thanks to a recent donation from Barenholtz Fine Furniture. We couldn't have transformed this location into the unique shopping experience that it has become, without the hard work of our volunteers and staff. We hope everyone will come out and shop for their family and support our mission of always being able to provide low-cost spay/neuter services in Yuma, It's all about the animals with us, but we want you to come in, and have fun shopping all while taking advantage of the best deals in town," states Annette Van Stratten, Thrift Store Manager.

HOURS OF OPERATION: MONDAY - FRIDAY 9 AM TO 5PM SATURDAY 9 AM TO 4PM **CLOSED ON SUNDAY** (928) 783-0408





BEHIND THE SCENES...

Meet the HSOY Staff



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VICKI ALLEN





JOINING THE LEGACY CIRCLE

This very special group is composed of people who have told us they plan to leave at least a part of their estate to the Humane Society of Yuma

An individual can join the LEGACY CIRCLE by honoring the Humane Society of Yuma in one or more of the following ways:

- Name the Humane Society of Yuma as a beneficiary in a will or living trust.
- Making a gift of cash or appreciated securities to establish a charitable gift annuity.
- 👺 Creating a charitable remainder trust.
- 🏖 Naming us as a beneficiary of a life insurance policy or retirement account.

We hope you'll consider adding your name to our LEGACY CIRCLE. With your generous gift we can provide hope for both our animals and our community, and that alone is a gift that keeps giving.

HSOY 2014 MAJOR DONORS

(\$250 AND GREATER FROM JAN 2014 TO CURRENT) El Dorado Computing

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To include us in your estate plans, please specify our legal name, street address, and federal tax identification number:

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FOR MORE INFORMATION ON LEGACY CIRCLE & TO DISCUSS HOW YOU CAN BE PART OF THE YUMA HISTORY THROUGH HSOY'S NEW SHELTER NAMING OPPORTUNITIES.

please contact Annette Lagunas: (928) 782-1621 ext. 108 (Office) alagunas@hsoyuma.com

Meltzer, Terry & Kelly Misenhimer, Page & Lonie



RESERVE YOUR 2015 CALENDAR SPACE NOW!

Have you always felt that your pet has star power, or do you have a business that you would like to advertise? It's time to begin planning the 2015 HSOY Calendar! If you are interested in reserving a spot, please fill out a calendar application. We will be taking applications on a first come, first served basis. Don't miss out on this PAWESOME advertising opportunity, all while supporting a great cause! Forms are available at our shelter.

2013/2014 **HSOY EVENT** REPORT

Fur Ball VII Raised \$99,295 for Yuma's homeless pets

Critter Country Presents, "Peace & Puppy Love" Raised \$36,703 for Yuma's homeless pets

Fore Paws Golf Classic Raised \$13,000 for Yuma's homeless pets







HUMANE SOCIETY OF YUMA'S CFC CODE: 47992

FEDERAL EMPLOYEES & MILITARY PERSONNEL: WE'VE JOINED THE CFC!

The Humane Society of Yuma has joined the Combined Federal Campaign. The Combined Federal Campaign of Arizona allows federal employees to sign up for payroll deductions to the participating charity of their choice.

For more information take this to your H.R. Department or Payroll Officer today!