

Lap-Letter

SUMMER 2016
LAP DOG RESCUE OF NEW MEXICO



Together, we saved 440 Small Dogs in 2015!

Letter from the President

Already half of 2016 is behind us and we've been busy! We've already rescued over 308 dogs as of July and placed 286 in loving adoptive homes. Sometimes people question me about why we do this. Sometimes it's hard; our fosters and volunteers become so tired, but then we see those little faces looking out of the bars of a shelter and we know that we can't leave them behind.

These are the stories of just some of the precious fur babies Lap Dog Rescue of NM has been called upon to take under our wing. Some are still receiving veterinary care, some are in extended recovery with their loving fosters, some are medically complicated waiting for space and funding so they may come to us, get the treatment they so desperately need to regain their health and quality of life and be ready for their forever homes. Some come to us as a result of traumatic injury (broken bones, shattered pelvis, broken jaws, tumors to remove, to name just a few) but many of these special pups find their way to LDRNM due to the severe neglect that's befallen them, leading to serious medical complications. Take little Trooper for instance. He sat in the shelter for two days, with a gunshot wound to his leg without veterinary assistance before we even knew about him. Through LDRNM and our extraordinary veterinary team, he's had surgery on his leg and although he will require further surgery later on, he already has a wonderful adoptive home of his own! Little

Cody had a broken tail that needed to be amputated and subsequently developed an infection which is now healing. Gus continues to courageously battle a skin allergy. Sam delivered puppies somewhere, suffered a broken paw, now has an internal infection, and is waiting until we have funding available to care for her needs and provide her another chance for a better life. These are just a few of their stories. We do not always know the depth of their stories when they are rescued.

So, this is why we do what we do. And, to keep doing this, we continue to need your help. We are a very small non-profit that does so much for so many with a tiny budget. Our single largest expense is our veterinary bills. Many of our wonderful volunteers pay for food and many other items personally to provide for the care of their little ones.

Please help by going to our website TODAY at www.lapdogrescue.org and click on the yellow DONATE button or send in a check to Lap Dog Rescue of NM to the address listed below. Your donations mean the world to our little rescued dogs and to us.

Thank you,

Brian Spence

President



Success Story: *Keeping bonded pairs together!*

More often it seems we are challenged with dogs being surrendered to us or to the local shelter as a bonded pair. What exactly is that? It's when two dogs, maybe siblings, maybe a parent and puppy, or just two dogs who don't know anything different than living with the other. In these instances, one dog may not do well if they are separated from their BFF. At LDRNM we do our very best to rescue and keep the two together, which requires a big commitment from the foster because these types of adoptions can take some time. Here are a few photos of some of this year's success stories.



Please check out our website at lapdogrescue.org/about-us for a full list of our community partners and supporters.



UPCOMING ADOPTION EVENTS

August 20th 10:30 - 5:00

Ride & Roll for Rescue - a fundraising event for LDRNM beginning at Santa Fe Harley Davidson. Ride your motorcycle or take the car and explore some super cool areas around Santa Fe. Meet some of our fosters, volunteers and pups and register to win 3 fabulous hotel stays at some very swanky hotels from Heritage Hotels & Resorts.

August 27th 11:00 - 3:00

Adoption Event at Flying Star. 4501 Juan Tabo NE

September 10th 9:00 - 1:00

Lap Dog-A-Looza Adoption Event at the Community Barn Patio and Park in the Village of Los Ranchos. 6718 Rio Grande Blvd., NW

October 9th noon - 3:30

Adoption Event and Fundraiser at Marble Brewery Westside Taproom. 5740 Night Whisper Rd., NW.

For more information on these and other upcoming events, please go to our website at www.lapdogrescue.org and click on MORE under EVENTS or go to our EVENTS tab on our Facebook page.



Thank You!

Have we said how much we LOVE our GROOMERS?! Although several of our fosters are quite talented and do their own grooming, tick and mat removal, when we need additional help, we can always count on Bonnie at Bella Pet Wash & Boutique (856-9274), Crystal at Prairie Dog Grooming (292-4270), and Kay at Kay's Critter Cleaners (many of you already have her number and she tells us she's swamped!). Please help us thank these generous people by supporting their businesses.

Special thanks also to:

Petco Westside and San Mateo/Academy
for adoption events

Pepe Le Paws
for adoption events and food sponsorship

Camp Bow Wow
for sponsoring our foster training and adoption event

Pet Food Gone Wild
for sponsoring the "Easter Adoption Festival"

Nob Hill Main Street
for sponsoring the Nob Hill 100 Unleashed Pet Parade and Fair and for their very generous \$3500 donation!

Colibri Media House
Formerly Studio Sansom for their continued support with our graphic needs.



Help us meet our goal of

365

Adoptions

this year!

Enclosed is my donation of

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