

Fayette County Animal Rescue (FCAR)



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Upcoming Events

Oct 1 ~ Oakland in October include a Chili-Cook Off

Adoption Events:

Sept 24 ~ Petsmart Poplar/I-240

Oct 8

Oct 15 ~ Petco Bartlett

Oct 22 ~ Petsmart Poplar/I-240

Nov 12 ~ Petsmart Wolfchase

For event hours and directions, please visit our website at:

Bring Home the Bacon!

Bacon and his 2 siblings, Swimmer and Playdough, were left covered in fleas and ticks. They are very beautiful puppies and are so playful! Their colors are really pretty, and Bacon's ears are a darker golden color than the rest of his hair. They all love to get in the swimming pool and snuggle with the others when sleeping. Bacon is still available for adoption! Their date of birth is February

From the President!

Lately, we have had some surprising and amazing adoptions. We can't tell you how happy this makes us and I can't thank all the volunteers, staff, and supporters enough. These are some of the highlights from this year:

Morgan is a sweet, older cocker spaniel that was rescued a few years ago from a puppy mill along with 36 other cockers. All of the cockers were adopted into wonderful homes; however, Morgan was returned to us 2 years later because she was still so shy and afraid of men. We were worried she wouldn't get adopted again because of her age and shyness, but a lady in Atlanta saw her on our website and drove all the way here to meet her. The lady cried upon seeing her, adopted her that very day, and drove all the way back to Atlanta right afterwards.

Blondie is a blonde pit/lab mix. After she had been with us for quite a while, she became known as "Queen of the Shelter". She was so at home we could let her out of the shelter in the morning, leave her free to roam the property, and simply call her name at the end of the day. Every day, the "Queen" would loyally return and settle down in her run. Blondie had been with us for 9 years when a couple saw her on our website. They decided to foster her to see if she would be a good fit with them. The very next day, they called and said they wanted to adopt her! When they arrived at the house for the first time, Blondie jumped on the couch and, true to her nature, made herself the "Oueen of the House".

Spunkie is a very active, sweet yellow lab who was adopted several years ago. Recently, she was returned when her owner had to move out of the country. She had developed epilepsy and now requires daily medication. Her former owner's mom, whom we called "Spunkie's Grandma", came to visit her often and even took her home over the weekends. We would put a note on our employee's memo board that said, "Spunkie is at Grandma's this weekend," so everyone would know why she wasn't in her kennel. Eventually, "Spunkie's Grandma" became "Spunkie's Mom" as she adopted her and both are very happy together!

Godiva was born at the shelter 7 years ago among a very large litter. She was adopted as a puppy, but returned when we discovered her owners were not taking care of her. She was terrified of strangers, but loved all the people that she came to know well. We couldn't take her to adoption days because public places made her too nervous. As luck would have it, a wonderful woman who had adopted a puppy from us not long ago saw Godiva on our website and wanted to meet her. She adopted Godiva and turned this shy outside dog into a spoiled inside dog, providing her with the comforts of a home and the love of a family.

Patsy was a beautiful cattle dog with gorgeous markings who was adopted when she was a year old. Her adoptive family renamed her Ginger. Much to our surprise, they called 9 years later to tell us they wanted to return her. It was a very difficult and confusing transition for Ginger; she whined in her kennel for about 3 days. Needless to say, that just broke our hearts. When people were working in the office, they would take Ginger in there and let her hang out for the day, giving her as much attention as possible. We really did not think she would ever be adopted again, given her age. Thankfully, we were happily proven wrong! She was adopted soon after her return and is living in a great home with other dogs.

We want all of our dogs and cats to go to good homes and we are strict with our requirements. But if people knew what our animals have been through, they may better understand. We never give up on finding a home for our rescues, even those that are seniors, may be on medication for life, and may have a variety of fears that will never go away. These are just a few adoptions from this year that reminded us to never give up hope searching for homes for our rescues. Besides, every one of them deserves one.

~Yvette Rose, President

FCARs Online Store

You can now purchase shirts, hats, bags and more with FCARs name and logo on them. Great for gifts and yourself and you support FCAR with every purchase. Check us out today!

http://www.CafePress.com/ FCARsOnlineStore



Kroger Fundraising Gift Cards

FCAR earns 5% on card "reloads"! Gift cards can be used for groceries, fuel, and prescriptions. Cards can be reloaded at the register (PRIOR to paying groceries). Cards can be reloaded using cash, check, debit or credit card. Gift cards can be reloaded for \$5-\$500. Cards are \$5, there is \$5 already on the cards. Every time you reload the card, FCAR earns 5%!

Melody is ready for adoption!



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Whitaker

~Michael and Sylvia Membreno

We are writing this in gratitude to Fayette County Animal Rescue.

A year and a half ago we were reading the newspaper, and the headline "Birthday Boy Needs Home" caught my attention. It was an article about a dog who had been hit by a car at 3 months old, been rescued by a Sheriff from his then home, and was now ready for a forever home.

The article went on to say that the nature of the injuries were so severe that numerous, painful surgeries had to be performed, and the puppy had to have constant care and medicine to have any hope of being able to walk.

The wonderful staff at FCAR went to great lengths to ensure that Whitaker was taken care of financially, physically, and emotionally. With the extent of his injuries, other shelters that are not "no kill" would have had Whitaker go over the "Rainbow Bridge". In fact, it is my understanding that FCAR did receive some criticism from the community about the amount of resources spent on Whitaker. What the community could not see was the spirit and determination of Whitaker.

We decided to foster Whitaker in our home, and in a matter of days we knew he wasn't going anywhere else. We officially adopted Whitaker, and with our two Jack Russell girls, Mollie and Maggie, we all became family.

A few months after Whitaker came to us, he required more surgery on one of his injured legs. It was at this time that we saw the strength, spirit,



and level of determination that FCAR initially saw. This dog is tough! Despite the pain, and inability to walk freely, Whitaker was so happy and always joyful. Nothing was going to keep him down!

Today Whitaker runs freely with his sisters, attends doggie day care weekly, and is always ready to go! We occasionally still see the residual effects of his injuries as he runs and jumps, and I am sure the future will hold a few more medical challenges.

We are so grateful, and cannot say thank you enough to FCAR for believing in Whitaker. The amount of joy he has brought to our home is unable to be expressed in words.

A HUGE thank you to everyone involved with our Second Annual Golf Tournament!

We raised over \$7,000 for FCAR proving again what a huge opportunity this tournament is for our organization! It not only provides much needed financial support, but raises awareness of our organization and our wonderful dogs as well!

We appreciate your continued support and look forward to next year!

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Name that Pet

~Delores Cowan Provow

Many of you that are involved with FCAR have noticed that we often come up with strange names for our animals. This is because we can't have the same name twice in our system for our rescues as it would cause confusion with medical records. Therefore, many people do change the pet's name once they get adopted.

Below is part of an article from Richard Livitski (http://www.dog-names-and-more.com/).

Unique Dog Names: Have you ever considered naming your dog after something that you eat or drink? I'm serious. Allow me to give you just a few examples that will hopefully get your creative juices flowing:

Bon Bon: I can see this as a good name for a small black dog.

Caviar: For a dog with expensive tastes. Maybe a Poodle?

Jalapeno: A good name for a dog with a sometimes fiery disposition.

Crouton: Another good name for a small breed. Maybe a Chihuahua?

Latte: Possibly a good name for a black dog.

Kahlua: I can see this name on a brown dog.

As strange as it sounds, many more food and drink-related dog names can be as close as your refrigerator, pantry or liquor cabinet!

Cool Dog Names: The dictionary defines the word "cool" as something that's fashionable or hip. To me, when it comes to dog names, a name that is "cool" is a name that one doesn't normally hear, one that is creative enough to be memorable, and perhaps matches that particular dog's appearance or disposition.

Here are just a few names that I put into the "cool" dog name category for starters: Aspen, Azure, Capri, Charisma, Denali, Java, Mahala, Maui, Pirouette, Rio, Sahara, Sierra, Taboo.

Funny Dog Names: By funny, I'm referring to cute dog names that will match its physical appearance. Here are just a few ideas:

Espresso: For an energetic black dog. Kisses: For a small affectionate pup. Brutus: For a BIG dog. Putt-Putt: For a dog with short legs.

Big Dog Names: Barbarian, Big Foot, Butkus, Chewbacca, Genghis, Godzilla, Hummer, Terminator, T-Rex, Tsunami

Small Dog Names: Doodle, Gumball, Kewpie, Laptop, Nibbles, Widget

If you spent as much time as you did when finding the perfect dog or cat, why not spend a little extra time in finding the perfect name? Your dog or cat will thank you for it!

Dobber the Warrior

~Michael Provow

I will always miss Dobber. His last day with me was like his first. It was a Sunday afternoon and I had been working at the farm. I decided to knock off and count my tips, as they used to say in the culinary business. I headed over to visit Matt, a large, red dog and his crew. I saw a pen with a warning sign that read, "Do not enter, dangerous dog". The dog inside was thin, but clearly a warrior. He was a full blooded Doberman. He grabbed the chain link with his teeth and shook it. I said, "You're so bad!" One day, after all the folks had left, I went to hang out with some of my part time pets. On the way out, I saw Dobber and he went nuts again. This time, I said, "Dude, you aren't so bad!" Moments later, I was in the pen

with him and he clearly didn't like that. I sat in a corner as he moved back and forth, getting nearer with each pass. I could see his hair standing up, and it struck me that I may have messed up. I glanced at the gate, which was too far away for comfort. I told myself that if you show fear you lose; think of him as one of your Schnauzers: small dog, big attitude. I teased him to remain calm, reminding us both, "You're not bad. My Bucky could beat your boney butt!" He then moved in a straight line towards me. The moment of action had arrived. I really wanted to run, but to leave or make any sudden movement would have triggered an attack, if he was inclined to do so. His snout was now only inches from my face as I told him how good looking he was for a bag of bones. His nose was almost on my face when I kissed it. I was shocked when he

entire body was wagging as he returned to me a few times. He even let me hug him! It was an experience I will never forget, and he was a dog I will never forget. I tried to get several of my friends to take him. I offered to pay whatever it took to make it happen. I even offered to fix someone's fence to find this great dog a good home. In the final analysis, I came to realize that he had a great home all along, as have many before him, and many will after him because everyone at FCAR makes sure these dogs know that someone cares. God bless FCAR and the folks that make it work. His last day with me was like his first as it started with a kiss on his



snout and ended the same. RIP warrior!

> Note: Special thank you to Maggie Trippany for her monthly sponsorship donation for Dobber for the past year of Dobber's life.

FCAR is currently in need of foster homes! We pay the medical and food costs, you provide the love. It is greatly beneficial to our animals.

Please consider fostering one of our wonderful dogs today!

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"OTEY" the FCAR Pet Therapy Dog

~Maya Daniel

A Bit about Pet Therapy

Pet therapy has been proven to provide numerous physical and emotional benefits to medical patients, children, and the elderly. Studies have shown that owning a pet of any kind can:

- Reduce stress as well as stress-induced medical symptoms
- Add years to your lifespan
- Lower blood pressure
- Increase self-worth
- Increase overall mood
- Increases socialization

Pets provide warmth, affection, unconditional love, companionship, and will never judge you. While not everyone is in a situation where they can care for a pet, pet therapy animals help to fill that gap and allow anyone with permission the joy of having a pet if just for an afternoon.

Information from www.holisticonline.com



Otey dressed and ready for pet therapy

Hello, my name is Maya Daniel and I was a volunteer at FCAR from 2006-2009. I relocated last year to Louisville, KY and had to resign from my volunteer spot with FCAR, which I miss terribly to this day. Although I had to leave FCAR behind when I transferred to Louisville, I got to bring the best FCAR rescue pup with me!

Otey was brought into FCAR when he was only about 5 weeks old. A woman said that she was driving along the country roads in Fayette County when a covote ran across the road with a puppy in its mouth. She stopped her vehicle, and the coyote dropped the puppy and took off. The puppy was in bad shape on top of having been stolen from his mother at such a young age. He had a terrible case of mange as well as a sore on his head from the coyote carrying him. This nice lady brought the puppy to FCAR, where he was taken in and given the name Otey, which was quite fitting for his situation! Otey didn't stay at the shelter very long before I snatched him up and fostered him. He was a little, shy puppy and very sweet. He had regular vet visits, recovered from the mange, and was ready to be adopted! I couldn't let go of Otey. After only a few minutes of thinking about it, I decided I had to adopt him!

At first, Otey needed basic puppy training. He was a very passive dog and never made an enemy in our classes. He graduated from all 3 levels of obedience training, loving every dog and person we came across. With his tail wagging, I decided that he would be the perfect dog to become a "pet therapy dog".

Once Otey, Corky, and I settled here in Louisville, I took the opportunity to continue our training classes at PetSmart with Otey. We entered an advanced/Canine Good Citizen class. We began taking our CGC class in February, once a week for an hour. We never missed a class. Every Saturday we were there practicing and learning new things. April 10th came along and Otey took the CGC

class final and passed it with flying colors! I was so happy and proud of Otey! He is such an awesome dog that is willing to learn new things and do anything to please you!

Now that Otey is CGC certified, we are a volunteer team for a nursing home called Vista Care in Jeffersonville, IN. We make visits as requested by nurses to the patients either in their own private homes or in a nursing facility. We are also a "pet therapy" team for the Red Cross of W.A.G.S. Jeffersonville, IN and (Wonderful Animals Giving Support) Pet Therapy of Kentucky, an all-volunteer organization dedicated to bringing people and pets together for companionship and therapy. These organizations have spent thousands of hours visiting hospitals, nursing homes, schools, and other facilities throughout the region in an effort to promote and share the special, and often healing, bond between humans and animals.

I am looking forward to getting our pet therapy visits started. There can only be a positive result from our adventures in the future for myself, Otey, the patients, and children he is visiting. I can't wait to see the faces of the patients light up when we walk into the room to visit them. What an amazing feeling that only some people like us animal/dog lovers will ever experience.

Otey has not only become a wonderful pet to me, but a great friend to my older dog Corky. These two are great pals, and I am not sure if any other dog would have been able to turn Corky around like Otey has. Corky wasn't very dog accepting at first, but these two are like two peas in a pod.

Thank you to FCAR, Gina, Yvette, Laurie, and anyone else who helped out with Otey when he was first brought to the shelter. I know he was a sick little pup, but without your help, he wouldn't be the kind of dog he has become today!



Rescued vs. Bought Pets

~Sydney Dallas-Lane

Countering common belief, animals rescued are genetically or behaviorally inferior purchased animal. These animals may have had owners who viewed them as a possession rather than a lifetime companion or valued family member. Many people do not consider the time, energy, and expense involved with being responsible pet owner.

Obviously not all rescued pets come with impeccable manners, ideal socialization, or are housebroken. These animals have been neglected and abandoned, so they require love, training and compassionate discipline, just like bought puppies and kittens.

An advantage to adopting a rescued animal is the fees are likely less than those you pay to a breeder or pet store. Additionally, your new pet is vaccinated, de-wormed, microchipped, spayed neutered, heartworm negative preventative. Rescued animals are usually mixed breeds which aren't always prone genetic to challenges compared purebreds. Due to their rough start in life, these pets are incredibly loval.

FCAR conscientiously screens and evaluates an animal's overall well-being and temperament to ensure they are placed in foreverhomes. These pets only want to please their new owners so they are never homeless again. Make the best decision of your life; adopt a rescued animal and give them a second chance.

Who Rescued Who?

~Angela Bath

My family had wanted a dog for a long time, but I had to wait until the time was right. A year ago last March, my heart decided it couldn't wait any longer. We wanted to adopt a rescue dog rather than buy one from a breeder. My son had volunteered at a shelter, so he was my guide to all of the dogs there. There were so many wonderful dogs, it was very hard to decide. However, one litter of lab mix puppies really caught my eye. Being a dog novice, I went home and read up on Labrador Retrievers. The article said they were intelligent, loyal, and versatile. We decided a Labrador Retriever would be right for our first dog. In particular, one very beautiful, cream-colored puppy in that litter seemed so smart, so cuddly, and so absolutely perfect for our family.

But, there was a significant problem. His back feet were already looking abnormal. The people at the shelter explained that they really did not know how his feet would develop. We decided to adopt him anyway. I just felt so strongly led that this was the right time for us to get a dog, and this seemed like the right dog for us. We took him to our vet to have her look at his feet; she, also, could not tell how his feet would finally of our develop. Because puppy's questionable back feet, we decided to name him Samson. We wanted the dog as a whole to be strong enough to deal with any disability.

It is now a year later and our puppy is fully grown. Not a single bone below the ankles of his back feet is normal. Yet, with the help of medicine, he is able to walk and even run for short distances. We care for his feet nightly with paw cream, and we are trying to teach him to use a dog wheelchair for days when his feet are really bothering him. He is not a low-maintenance dog, but he is definitely worth every minute! Before we adopted Samson, our house was too quiet for the mother in me, who was used to having lots of kids and lots of noise in the house. My youngest daughter had married at the age

of 18, and even though my husband and I still had one older son at home, our house was a little lonely. Samson completely changed that. He is an amazing greeter! Even with his painful feet, he will hurry to the door whenever he hears a van pull up in the driveway. He wiggles with such joy at seeing any member of our family, even if we weren't gone long.

My son is exceptionally hard to wake up in the mornings due to some medicine that he takes. Just waking him was one of my least favorite chores. Now, Samson has taken the job over. He will lick him gently for however long it takes to wake him up. My son is delighted with the attention, and I am delighted to give up the wake-up job.

My husband is a great man, but sometimes prone to working too hard. Because he cares so much for the dog, my husband takes times from work to go to the park every day with Samson. Samson gets to use his great, non-disabled nose to sniff all of the great smells at the park, and my husband gets a guaranteed break from work.

Because Samson is somewhat limited physically, we decided recently to get a second dog to keep him company. She, also a rescue, is a little red-tick coonhound named Ellie May. She and Samson play together outside in our back yard in the cool of the evenings and provide us with much entertainment.

Because of our decision to adopt Samson, I am less lonely, my son feels very loved every morning, and my workaholic husband takes a recreational break outside every day. Samson can also help raise awareness in other people with disabled pets about the benefits of doggie wheelchairs. He also lead us to give Ellie May, our second dog, her forever home. Who rescued who? I think our family made a very good decision when we "rescued" Samson. Or, maybe, it was God "rescuing" us through one of his very special creatures!

Please consider sponsoring FCAR. For just \$1 a day (less than a cup of coffee) you could greatly improve the lives of so many wonderful animals that desperately need your help!

Memorials

In loving memory of Conner Lee Alderton

- From Carol Coleman
- From Marie & Charles Butler
- From Gina H. Thweatt
- From Glen Ellen & David Alderton
- From Bob & Carol Chatfield
- From Suzie Stallings
- From Jennifer Johnston
- From Margo Alderton
- From his NPRST Family
- From Bryan Altendorf
- From the Cuddy Family
- From Krista Cummings
- From the Dan Drews Family

Dan Petty, Sandy Finerson's dad, from Joann Allen

Biscuit, beloved dog of Heather & Jason Scroggs, from Catherine Powers

Bosco, much beloved dog for many years of Gwyn & Dale Wright, from Raymond Lynch

Bud, from Kathy Bryan

Buffy, beloved pet of Elizabeth Swaze, from Lucy S. Crawford

Ernest C. Atkeison, Jr., from Social Club of Fair Oaks

Ernest C. Atkeison, Jr., from Ann & Pat Patterson

Tina, the Gregory family cat, from Laurin Gregory

Jess A. Bennett, from H.W. Franck

Geisha, an FCAR rescue adopted and loved by the Rossmeissl family, from Gina H. Thweatt

Missy, an FCAR rescue adopted and loved by Jody and Holly Vaughan, from Gina H. Thweatt

Finney, beloved pet of Geoffry & Ann Miller, from The Segersons and Staff at Edgewood Farm

Bert, beloved mastiff of Jim & Deborah Burnett, from Walt & Lisa Peterson

Snickers, from Betty Jean Burks

Charles Buzbee, from John & Shirley Bigham

John, beloved dog of Mable Dixon, from Judy Faris

John Tankersley, from Charlie M. Smith

Barney, beloved pet of the Pate Family, from Lauren Wiltshire, DVM

A.J., beloved pet of Lisa Dollahite, from Lauren Wiltshire, DVM

Bear, beloved pet of The Solmson Family, from Lauren Wiltshire, DVM

Barney, beloved pet, from the Pate Family

Wolfgang, beloved pet of J.S. Smith, DDS

Jessie Reed, from Mary Reed

Murphy, Ramona, and BJ, beloved kitties of Donna Hale

Ruby Gross, from Natalie Wiley

Cowboy, beloved border collie, from Nita Lewis Hurdle

Fluffy, from Theresa Olswing

Jessica (aka KoKo), from Beverly Blumer

Cody, from Sterling Gillette

Kate, from Don Oliver

Cody Dixie Delight, beloved Yorkie of Bertha and Harry Novak

Pia, our cat that was the love of our lives, from Judy Andreoli

Tabitha & Scotty, from Gary & Tamara Wheatley

Barbara N. Dowdy, precious wife of 47 years, brave and courageous mother and Grandmother, from Gerald M. Dowdy

Dusty, sweet cat that is missed very much, from The Deckelman's

Tasha, beloved cat of Raymond M. Lynch

Pat Bledsoe, Abigail, Butter and Thomas, from Lottie Greenlee

Murphy, beloved dog of Orrin & Bernadette Benedict, from the Turners

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Teddy, Chester & Scooter, from Geri MacQueen

Mookie & Ming Kye, from Judy

Cleo & Tabatha, from Mac, Sarah (AKA Pickles), Annie, Sam, Sabrina & Mittens

Megan, the Gregory family cat, from Laurin Gregory

Marilyn Davis, from Bobbie & Ted Waxler

Teresa "Terri" Miller, from John & Candace Barton

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Bettina, from Vicky Rimstidt

Carter, beloved pet of Don & Elizabeth Scott, from Jimmy & Segerson and Staff at Edgewood Farm

Charles R. Houston, husband, and all the pets we have been blessed with, from Dorothy Houston

Max, a wonderful white Persian cat, from Beverly Doring

Beloved Corgy of Anne Utley, from Judy Andreoli

Francine Lucas, from Lisa Lucas

Mr. Bentley, beloved black lab, from Regina Loden

Margaret, my mother, from Joann Allen

Margaret Callihan, from all of us at FCAR

Sarah & Sadie Withers, the two most wonderful girls that ever lived, from Frank & Cheryl Withers

Everett Campbell, from John & Shirley Bigham

Mitchen & Ladybug Milligan, my Schnauzers who are sorely missed, from Connie Milligan

James H. Jackson, husband, and pets Maxine, Catkin, Sasha, Little Vera, Genevieve, Rosebud, Cinnamon and Maisie, from Sarah M. Jackson

Honorariums

Kevin Utley & Family, from Anne Utley

Morgan Schrum, for her birthday, from Laura Osborne

The Turner Family, from Kathy Bryan

Magoo, adopted 3 years ago from FCAR, from Dale & Brenda Johnson

Dr. Wiltshire & Everyone at Eastgate Animal Hospital, from the Pate Family

Bob Coupe, from your wife, Elaine Coupe

Melody & Conner, from Carol Russell

Molly Brown, aka Valerie, adopted May 2011, from Allison Maddock

Barb & Jenny, from Richard Grugel

Melody, from Betty Jean Burks

Melody & Conner, from Carolyn and Butch Rhea

The Animals, God Bless!, from Virginia Worley

O.B.I., Thanks for the rescue, from Chuck & Kay Wombough

Sammi, my pretty girl, from Jane Parks

Dane, from Sheila Betts

All Animal Lovers, from Mrs. Dean Wills

Cheyenne, from Donna Short

Bonnie Barakat-Smith, from Jacob & Carrie Smith

Dr. Lauren Wiltshire, from Doris Jones

Spunkie, from Becky Heslep

Jessie & Lacey, my Jack Russells

Morgan Schrum, from Shawn, Laura & Chance Osborne

Germaine Trippany, from Maggie Trippany

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The following supporters are generously providing a monthly donation to sponsor a specific FCAR rescue:

- Lucky & Maverick by Margaret Trippany
- Dude by Joy Applebaum
- Grant by Tonya Bodiford
- Wicker, Bo Derek & Basil by Pat Nullis
- Buddy & Jess by the Miller Family

To sponsor an FCAR rescue please contact us at fayettefcar@hotmail.com



What Can I do for the Animals at FCAR?

We receive many requests that always start with, "What can I do for the animals at your shelter?" that we wanted to share with all of you what you can do to help as well. To start with, our shelter is Extremely full right now. We have puppies, kittens, heartworm positive dogs, surgery dogs and more in our inside runs. Adoptions were going very well but have slowed significantly during the month of August, yet we still have a shelter full of animals awaiting adoption.

So our first request is for adoptions. If you are looking for a dog, please contact us. Tell your friends, coworkers, people on the street! Tell everyone about FCAR and have them check out our animals and contact us to adopt. Next we need foster parents. We have the most amazing foster mom that works long hours so she just takes Colette home on the weekends, just to give her a break from the shelter. We have others that have one dog or two kittens and more. Whatever you can do will help.

We also need lams large breed dry dog food. Science Diet no longer has a shelter program so we are paying almost full price for food now and it is an overwhelming expense each month. A monthly donation to cover a bag of dog food would be very helpful or drop a bag at our shelter.

And then we really need help planning large events. We always have great results from events like our golf tournament, 5K Run, Bike Race, etc. but we have limited volunteers who can take on such a big job of planning. The ideas on events are endless, we just need people with time and the willingness to coordinate the event and you can make a big difference in raising donations and awareness for FCAR.

Running a shelter the size of FCAR is extremely time consuming and honestly, we just need more volunteers to help. Whether it is helping at events, doing yardwork once a month at the shelter, walking dogs or answering the phone, we really would appreciate whatever you can do in support of the animals.

Donations

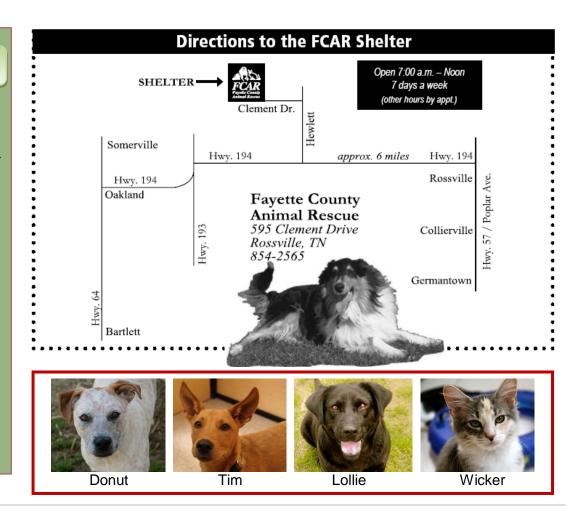
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