



The High Sierra Barker

2022 Fall Newsletter

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The Sierras come alive in the summertime and our rescue has been very busy! Our Kennels Manager, Alisha, transported dogs to HSAR as often as space allowed while our Office Manager, Susanne, kept adoptions and boarding running smoothly. Pints for Pups and the Retriever's Ball were wonderfully successful, thanks to those who participated. We joined local events and had adoptable dogs at our booth for the first time since 2020. It was so special to connect with our community while helping our dogs find their forever homes. We are so grateful to be a part of this county, where rescue dogs are valued and given a second chance. Many thanks to all of you for your kindness and genuine care. HSAR couldn't do it without you!



The lifetime commitment that sets us apart

Sometimes a dog comes along and steals your heart away in one fell swoop. You know the kind: long flowy ears, completely helpless, sweet from the tip of their snout to the end of their nubby tail. Ronnie's smile fills the room. He is a gentle and kind soul, the sort of fellow you cannot help but love. His story is one of loss and perseverance. And it is one we love to share.

Ronnie was transferred to HSAR from Lassen County Animal Control in 2018. Not long after, he was adopted into a loving home. Sadly, after four years together, his owner passed away. Their family could not keep up with

Ronnie's daily care and the financial cost of ownership. Ronnie had developed Diabetes and Glaucoma. He needed insulin twice a day, eye drops, and a specific diet plan.

We have a lifetime commitment to the dogs adopted out through our rescue and we welcomed Ronnie back with open arms in February. Before the search for his forever family could begin, we had to get his health on track. Our boy took each visit to Reno in stride, winning over the hearts of everyone he met in the veterinary office. With a few adjustments to his diet and insulin dosage, Ronnie began to show improvement in energy and spirit. He spent his days in the front office, basking in the attention of staff and visitors. Though he was happy, we could see his time at HSAR wearing on him.

After six months, it became clear to one of our Administrative Assistants, Lisa, that Ronnie needed a home sooner rather than later. Lisa introduced Ronnie to their pack of three cattle dogs with complete success and they've all become close friends. He has adjusted to life so well, accompanying his new crew to Lake Davis nearly everyday. Despite only having one eye now, he is able to dip his toes in the cool water and enjoy time with his incredible forever family.

All of us at HSAR are so grateful for Lisa and her husband Charlie for giving this sweet dog the home he deserves. We are also so thankful for our supporters who have made it possible for us to care for Ronnie since his return. He is proof that through compassion and dedication all dogs can find the forever homes they deserve.

Ronnie's costs for HSAR are ongoing. His recent eye removal surgery and follow up appointments have totaled \$5,000. There are also monthly expenses for prescription food and insulin. Please consider a one time or monthly donation to HSAR to help us provide for our dear friend, Ronnie.



Their future is in your hands



Photo by Britteny Donney Photography

A sense of relief washes over me each time we bring in a new group of dogs from local shelters. As I walk past the quarantine kennels, I speak gently. Some cower away from me; others press themselves against their door, desperately wanting to be comforted. As I take in their faces and say their names, I feel relief knowing they have arrived here. They are no longer in neglectful or abusive situations, and the clock counting down their time is paused. The monthly and quarterly donors of HSAR make it possible for us to give these dogs a safe space and provide them with necessary veterinary care. Saving a dog's life is a team effort from start to finish. Please join our team and [sign up with a monthly or quarterly donation](#).

To sign up for Guardianship, simply go to highsierraanimalrescue.org, click on the orange "[Donate](#)" button, choose your amount, and set your donation frequency to monthly or quarterly. You may also send in a check. If you own a business and would like to partner with HSAR through Business Guardianship, please read more about this opportunity at highsierraanimalrescue.org/business-guardians or email abby@highsierraanimalrescue.org.

Thank you – A special thanks to the incredible businesses who have signed up for Business Guardianship. [Pet Station](#), [Sardine Lake Resort](#), [Gumba's Family Pizza](#), [Schulze Law Group](#), [Clio's River's Edge RV Park](#), [Briar Patch Specialty Goods](#), [Feather Financial](#), [Cal Sierra Title Company](#), [Jayce Coziar Real Estate](#), [Feathers Home & Gift](#), [Quincy Pharmacy](#), [Mohawk Valley Associates](#), [Graeagle Store](#), [Britteny Donney Photography](#), [Bassets Station](#). Please consider shopping small and local this holiday season to support the businesses that have chosen to generously help HSAR.

Giving Tuesday – November 29th. Giving Tuesday is a global generosity movement created in 2012 as a simple idea: a day that encourages people to do good and give. Each year we increase our goal in hopes of raising more life saving funds for the dogs in Plumas County. Please join us on this incredible day as we raise \$15,000.00 for HSAR. We will have an online campaign where you will be able to donate but you are also welcome to send in or drop off checks at our rescue.

Amazon Smile - Designating HSAR as your preferred charity on [Amazon Smile](#) is as easy as visiting smile.amazon.com and logging in to your Amazon account. With each qualifying purchase, a portion of the sale will be donated to HSAR at no extra cost to you! Now is the perfect time to sign up with holidays just around the corner. Each quarter we are sent donation totals from Amazon and you can help increase that donation amount.

Connect with us! - Follow along on [Facebook](#) and [Instagram](#). Keep up with important updates, view available dogs, help us by sharing and liking our posts! Join our Adopters of High Sierra Animal Rescue group on Facebook for awesome updates about adoptions!



Yes, I want to help High Sierra Animal Rescue save lives!

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