

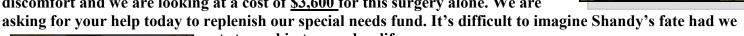
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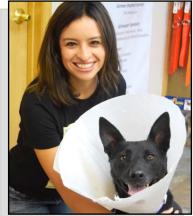
It was a beautiful and eventful summer in the High Sierras! As the season comes to a close, we can't help but reflect on all of the wonderful volunteers, donors, and adopters that have been a part of our success. Paws on Parade and Pints for Pups were a great deal of fun and made our life saving efforts that much more possible. Over fifty dogs found "forever homes" this summer and we are so honored to have helped them find true happiness. Thank you, from the bottom of our hearts, for helping us give these dogs a second chance. We have a lifetime commitment to the dogs in our care, regardless of the cost and resources they require. <u>We need your help to continue our work!</u>

HSAR Needs Your Support Now More than Ever!

Shandy wagged her way through our doors on a warm, early July afternoon. She greeted every single person with a smile that instantly lit up the faces of those around her. As we learned what life was like for Shandy before she was fortunate enough to be welcomed into our care, our hearts sank. It's difficult to understand how such a happy, lively dog could be the victim of a past full of neglect and mistreatment. She had been thrown from or hit by a car and evidence of this horrible incident can still be found on her hip where an old wound has yet to heal.

Shandy underwent an exploratory surgery in July but her surgeons were unable to find the source of her infection. After many consultations, x-rays, and a cat-scan at Sierra Veterinary Specialists, we finally have some answers and plans to get this dog's health back on track. An abscess below her spine has been the cause of her discomfort and we are looking at a cost of <u>\$3,600</u> for this surgery alone. We are





not stepped in to save her life.

We searched and searched for the perfect foster home for Shandy and then, out of the blue, we received the most wonderful call. Her foster to adopt mom met her and it was love at first sight. This lucky girl now spends her days visiting with her foster mom's coworkers and going for long hikes. We are so relieved and grateful that she found her quiet, happy place to heal and explore where she is loved and free to be her true, sweet self. *More photos of Shandy in her foster home can be found: <u>here</u>*

Please consider becoming a Guardian of High Sierra Animal Rescue to help us save dogs like Shandy. As a non profit no-kill rescue, monthly giving may be the *only way* for us to continue to provide for the homeless, abandoned, and innocent companions that deserve to find their forever families. *Won't you please help?*

Guardians of High Sierra Animal Rescue

Monthly Giving is the easiest and most consistent way to help rescue dogs throughout the year! *Their future is in your hands*!

- **\$25** Pays for gas to/from county shelters
- **\$50** Provides a dog with a microchip and vaccines
- **\$100** Covers the cost of a special needs vet visit
- **\$250** Helps spay and neuter two dogs

Please sign up <u>online</u> with your debit or credit card and your donation will automatically be processed each month. More information can be found at highsierraanimalrescue.org





Are you the person for Pumpkin?

For the first 2 years of her life, Pumpkin was surrounded by 21 other Chihuahuas in a trailer full of trash and feces. They were neglected, under socialized, and had never experienced what it was like to feel the cool grass on their paws until they were confiscated.

Despite her past and understandable quirks, she has found it in her heart to trust the people that have made an effort to spend time with her. She has slowly come out of her shell but requires a very special and patient person who is willing to work with her on some behavioral issues as a result of her upbringing. Pumpkin would be the perfect companion for a retired person who needs a buddy to call their own.



Pumpkin enjoyed some much needed lap and outside time with volunteers, Bud and Ann.



Hank finds forever in his foster home...

While most of our dogs go on to find their families fairly quickly and without much complication, Hank decided to do things a different way. He had been at our rescue for quite some time and hadn't met his match. His record indicated that he couldn't do well or be trusted around children. After some time, a staff member decided to give Hank a chance in her own home, with two small children and multiple dogs to keep him company. The chance paid off and he will now live the rest of his days knowing that he is valued and cared for. Hank is a wonderful example of a special needs dog that needed someone to come along and see his true potential.

Hank with his loving foster family.

Since 1999, HSAR has placed over 4,500 animals into loving, forever homes and we are well on our way to surpassing our goal of 200 adoptions this year. Without the help of our rescue, local county shelters would have to decide which dogs are worthy of life on a daily basis. Special needs dogs like Shandy, who require surgeries at the cost of thousands of dollars, would not be given a second chance to find true happiness. We believe that there is a home for harder to place dogs like Pumpkin and Hank and thanks to your support, we are able to give them the time they need and deserve.



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We would not be able to do this without you!

As a non-profit, HSAR does not receive any government funding or subsidies to provide for those in our care. We rely solely on the generosity of our supporters. Each donation is an investment in the future of homeless dogs in Plumas County and beyond.

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Thank you for your life-saving support! Their future is in your hands!

Your donation is tax deductible. For assistance or questions, please call us at (530) 832-4727