



The High Sierra Barker

2020-2021 Winter Newsletter

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This year our donors, adopters, staff, and board members stepped up to show their support for HSAR in a time of incredible change. Like most of the world, we had to take a long, hard look at how we were operating while asking ourselves how we would continue to raise funds for dogs in need. Our boarding income came to a screeching halt, volunteer activities were limited, all of our in person events were cancelled, and we had to change our entire adoption process. It's been a struggle but we've managed to adapt and overcome, much like the dogs we've rescued for the past twenty one years. If anyone is to be an example for us to follow, it is them. They have been a light and beacon of hope for us. We are deeply touched by all that you have done for our rescue this year, our nonprofit wouldn't be here without you. We wish you happiness this holiday season and in the year ahead. **Thank you!**



Will you help us find Tank, Turbo, and Sophie homes for the Holidays?



When their owner walked out of the front door seven months ago, the pups had no idea it would be the last time they would see them. A neighbor was asked to care for the dogs while their person went on a vacation but as the weeks went by, it became apparent that something wasn't right. For months the kind neighbor cared for Tank, Turbo, and Sophie as best they could but tensions rose in the house and the dogs began to fight. They could no longer live there under the circumstances and the neighbor sought help from the local animal control. They arrived at HSAR on October 20th and in that time we have watched their personalities absolutely blossom. All three are very affectionate dogs who turn to us any chance they can for attention and pets. They enjoy playing outside, lounging on the couch, and going for strolls around

the meadow. Even though they have found HSAR to be a very accommodating and kind place, we know that deep down they are missing being in a home where they feel cherished. We recommend that all three go into homes where they are the only pet. Their scars, eyes, and smiles all tell tales of how they've been able to overcome a truly traumatic experience and look forward with kindness and love in their hearts. We adore all three of these pups and wish for their comfort and happiness this year. They deserve to be in homes where they can relax and feel comfortable after having been through so much change already, especially toward the later years in their lives. Please reach out to those you know and see if they can make our Christmas wish come true.

Read more about them at highsierraanimalrescue.org/adoptable-dogs

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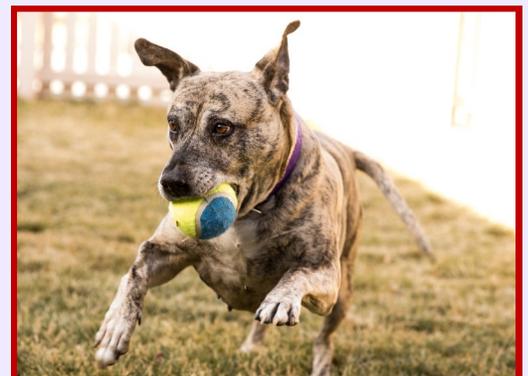
Guardians of High Sierra Animal Rescue

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

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More information can be found at highsierraanimalrescue.org



Our Monthly Givers Save Lives



High Sierra Animal Rescue takes in about two hundred dogs every year. Each homeless pet is spayed/neutered, vaccinated, micro-chipped, heartworm tested, medicated, and monitored closely for ailments or underlying issues. If they need extra medical attention or a life saving surgery they always receive it. We love each dog as if they are our own. Abandoned animals often deal with anxiety and grief and it's apparent in the way they behave and hold themselves. Our kennel technicians and front office staff take time out of their busy days to make sure each dog knows that they are loved, valued, and safe. Right now we have a number of dogs who are considered, "longer stays". These dogs often require training, patience, understanding, and most of all, time. Our longest stay resident was in our system for over three years and she was never once under the threat of euthanasia. She now lives in a home with multiple dogs and two people who will always cherish and

understand her. McCloud (pictured above) was adopted and then returned for his behavior toward strangers and people he was not fully comfortable with. We have been working with him everyday and he is now muzzle-trained so that he can go on walks and be less fearful in situations that would normally cause him to act out. We believe there is a place for every dog and we know that in time McCloud will find his perfect fit. 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.

Our Guardians are there with us every step of the way, from the moment we see these helpless dogs, to the day they find their forever homes. It is an honor to be a part of each success story, life saving surgery, and inspiring transformation. We are only a little over halfway to our monthly giving goal and we need your help. We cannot do this without you. Our boarding reservations are a fraction of what they used to be and we are unable to predict if our 2021 summer events will take place. Please sign up to be a part of something truly wonderful. You may do so by clicking on this link : [Become a monthly giver](#)

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