



Foothills Animal Foundation



Critter Columns

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Save 600 Animals on December 6!

Colorado Gives Day December 6

On December 6th, you can help Foothills Animal Foundation raise \$100,000 via Colorado Gives Day to provide care for 600 lost, abandoned, and homeless animals. We need you to recruit 6 of your friends, family members, or colleagues to donate on December 6 to make this goal a reality!

Not only will all contributions be processed free of merchant charges, all donations made on December 6th via the Community First Foundation's GivingFirst website will be matched by up to \$0.10 per dollar, thanks to generous support provided by FirstBank Colorado. In addition to First Bank's incentive fund, additional challenge grants are being offered! Three of these challenge grants will be awarded to the organizations with the **highest number of donors**. So, even if you or your friends and family can only donate a few dollars, please consider making a contribution to Foothills Animal Foundation on December 6th. One hundred percent of your donation will benefit the animals and programs of Foothills Animal Shelter.

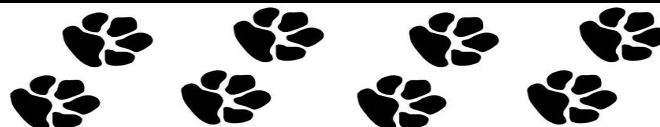


If you're unsure how to get your family and friends involved in Colorado Gives Day, consider asking them to make a gift on December 6 to Foothills Animal Foundation in your honor, or in lieu of a birthday or holiday gift. If you have a Facebook page, or use any type of social media, be sure to share the message that Foothills Animal Foundation needs everyone's help to raise \$100,000 on Colorado Gives Day! Not only will you be sharing the mission of The Shelter with your loved ones, you will be helping to care for hundreds of homeless animals in our facility. Please help us reach our goal, and help us spread the word. After all, it is the Season of Giving!

Visit www.givingfirst.org/cogivesday on December 6th to participate in this incredible day of giving. To go directly to Foothills Animal Foundation's profile page visit, <http://www.givingfirst.org/FoothillsAnimalShelter>. From there, you can simply click on the "donate" button. Worried you may forget to make your donation on December 6? You can visit our profile page anytime and set up a donation to be processed on December 6th!

Donate to Foothills Animal Foundation by clicking the link below!

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Furry Feature: Joe



Joe, a 12-year-old Cocker Spaniel was brought to the Shelter after his owners passed away in late August. His fur was very matted and in poor condition when he arrived, but after a grooming, he looked like a new dog! Despite his age, it was clear that he was very sweet and still had a lot of love left to give. Joe sat on the adoption floor for about a month before he caught the eye of a man named Bobby who thought Joe would be a perfect fit for him and his wife. "We like adopting the older guys because they deserve a chance at a good life, too. It was clear that all Joe needed was a little TLC," said Bobby. Joe seems to be settling quite nicely into his new home. "He's well behaved, housebroken, gets along with our other dog and is just an overall great dog. We're really happy." During November, Foothills Animal Shelter will be celebrating Adopt a Senior Pet Month with its *Pawsitively Young at Heart* program to help promote senior pets like Joe.

Pawsitively Young at Heart

Many times older pets take longer to find their forever homes. However, there are many advantages to owning an older pet. They can already be housebroken, litter box trained and know how to behave in a home setting. Their temperament is also typically calmer and a new adopter will not have to go through the time-consuming kitten and puppy phase. Contrary to popular belief, an old dog can be taught new tricks. Animals of any age enjoy learning. In summary, older pets make terrific companions.

November is Adopt a Senior Pet Month and Foothills Animal Shelter is launching its *Pawsitively Young at Heart* program to help promote senior pets. During the entire month of November, anyone who adopts a senior pet, any pet over the age of 8, will receive \$20 off the regular adoption fee. For senior cats, the adoption fee will be only \$5 and only \$60 for dogs. As always, all adoptions include spay/neuter, vaccinations, microchip and health check.



Come One, Come All!

Foothills Animal Foundation is offering exclusive behind-the-scenes tours to our friends and supporters! These tours provide an in depth look at the new Shelter and explanation of the different programs offered to the public. For more information, please call Caitlyn Ray at (720) 407.5226.

Donor Spotlight: Jan and Lindy Hall

Lindy Hall has been a volunteer in the Jefferson County School District since 1993, and one afternoon in 1999, a stray cat showed up at school. The cat was in terrible condition. He was thin, sick, and very matted, but still had his amazing charm and spirit. The cat was taken to Table Mountain Animal Center, now known as Foothills Animal Shelter, where Lindy and her husband, Jan, decided to check on him. Since that day in 1999, Jan and Lindy have been a part of our community of support.

After the sudden death of their Australian Shepherd a year ago, Jan and Lindy decided to take a trip to the new Foothills Animal Shelter to look at the different adoptable pets. Jan and Lindy not only loved the new facility and all the space the animals could enjoy, but they were also intrigued by the different opportunities to memorialize a loved one or pet through the different naming opportunities and tribute bricks. They decided to sponsor a kennel in the lost and found area and dedicate three personalized bricks in the main lobby. Jan and Lindy said, "It's devastating to lose a well-loved pet and we feel better knowing that we keep their memories alive in a way that will help provide service and support to animals in need. With the holidays coming up, we are considering purchasing additional brick tiles for family gifts to celebrate this year in a special way." Because of the support provided by donors like Jan and Lindy, Foothills Animal Shelter is able to provide the best chance at a better life to all animals that enter our doors. A special thank you goes out to Jan and Lindy for their unwavering support of Foothills Animal Shelter throughout the years.



Lindy and Jan Hall on a recent tour of Austria

This story wouldn't be complete without sharing that the cat Jan and Lindy helped save over ten years ago made a full recovery and lives happily with a family in Broomfield today.

Foothills Animal Shelter Contact Information/Hours of Operation

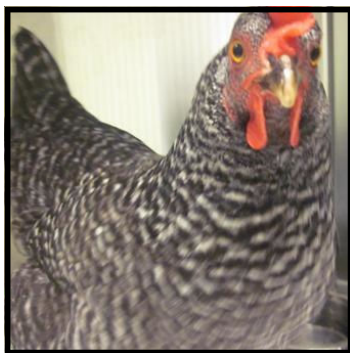
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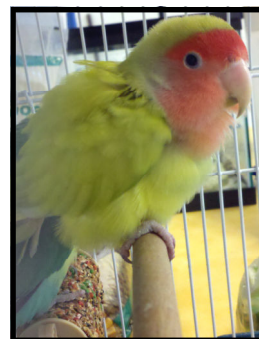
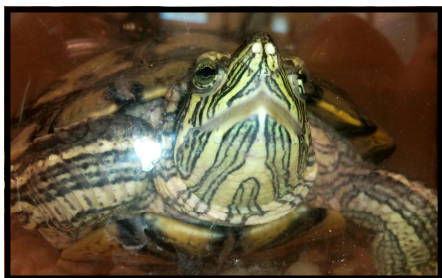
Phone: 303.278.7575

www.FoothillsAnimalShelter.org

Big or Small, We Take Them All!



If you're looking to adopt, but a dog or cat doesn't fit your lifestyle, consider a critter! Foothills Animal Shelter is an open-admissions facility, meaning we never turn away any animal in need. This philosophy allows us to enjoy the company of all types of animals including reptiles, farm animals, birds, rats, and even the occasional chinchilla. No matter the type of animal you want to adopt, it's important to educate yourself on the needs and behaviors of your potential pet. Visit our Critter Corner today to visit with some of the adoptable animals pictured here!



MARK Your Calendars!

Save These Dates to Help Save Lives!

<http://www.foothillsanimalshelter.org/news-events/events/>

November 28 Chow Down Supper Club: Udi's Pizza Café Bar in Olde Town Arvada will be serving up their award winning vegan dinner from 5 pm to 9 pm in support of the animals. Udi's is located at 7600 Grandview Ave., Arvada, CO 80002. If you have a large party, it's suggested to come closer to 5 pm or 8:30 pm.

More about the Chow Down Supper Club: These casual gatherings are hosted by a different local eatery each month. It's a great way to join other Shelter supporters to enjoy a delicious dinner, all to benefit the programs and animals at Foothills Animal Shelter. A portion of all food proceeds made by the area restaurant on the designated day will be donated back to Foothills Animal Shelter. So come hungry and leave knowing you've helped many homeless animals!



November 12 & 13, 2011 Howl-iday Mart: Join us in the Foothills Animal Shelter's Hope Center for Humane Education / Community Room and stock up on holiday gifts for you and your loved ones. Vendors throughout the area will be selling jewelry, holiday decor, pet products, animal-themed books, soaps, crafts, and more, and a percentage of each vendors sales will benefit the animals at Foothills Animal Shelter. The sale will take place Saturday, November 12, 12 noon – 4 pm; and Sunday, November 13, 11 am – 3 pm.

More about the Howl-iday Mart: Calling all small business owners, merchants and vendors! This is a unique opportunity to get your products and wares out to the staff, volunteers, donors, and visitors of Foothills Animal Foundation. We will provide you with a display table in the HOPE Center for Humane Education/Community Room where you can meet customers and sell your goods. In exchange, we ask for your commitment to donate a percentage of your total sales from the Mart to Foothills Animal Foundation. For more information or to register, contact Foundation CEO Megan Peters (mpeters@FAS4pets.org; 720.407.5227)

December 6 Colorado Gives Day: (24 hours starting at 12 am on Tuesday, December 6, 2011) The 2nd Annual Colorado Gives Day is set for Tuesday December 6, 2011. Sponsored by Community First Foundation and FirstBank Colorado, Colorado Gives Day is an initiative to increase philanthropy in Colorado through online giving. In 2010, Coloradans donated a whopping \$8.7 million, which was distributed to 529 Colorado nonprofits—Foothills Animal Foundation among them!

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Be Your Pet's First Responder



Pets, just like children, are at greater risk of injury or death from preventable accidents than any other causes. Learn first aid skills at Foothills Animal Shelter that can help save your pet's life! American Red Cross Pet First Aid and CPR classes can give you the confidence and skills necessary to tend to unexpected emergencies until you can get your pet to a veterinarian. Join us on Saturday, November 5th for a 4-hour class to learn pet CPR, rescue breathing, evacuation and emergency preparedness, and how to help your pet in the case of physical injuries, poisoning, and much more.

Registration is \$65 per person and space is limited. For more information, visit www.FoothillsAnimalShelter.org or call 720.407.5216.

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