



This Thanksgiving, Starfire is Grateful for YOU

Last year, days before Thanksgiving, we received an urgent call from Dallas Animal Services (DAS). A cattle dog mix named Starfire had an injured leg and was in a lot of pain.

We were able to give sweet Starfire the help she needed thanks to supporters like you.

Operation Kindness Humane Society serves as a transfer partner for more than 150 rescue groups and municipal shelters like DAS. When they're low on space or have animals who need lifesaving care, your generosity allows us to step in and help.

As soon as Starfire arrived at our Rees-Jones Foundation Medical Wing, our veterinary team examined her hurt leg and learned her knee had previously been broken. They had to make the difficult decision to amputate so that she could live a happy, healthy life.

Your support makes emergency surgeries like Starfire's possible. After a few weeks recovering in our medical wing, this resilient dog found out that she loved life on three legs. She could finally run, jump and play again!



Starfire

In late March, a family came to Operation Kindness Humane Society and fell in love not only with Starfire but also with her best friend, a fellow cattle dog named Mickey. This Thanksgiving, Starfire and Mickey both have a loving family. They can romp

and play in their new backyard to their hearts' content. Best of all, Starfire has zero pain!

Thank you for transforming Starfire's life.



We're Thankful for You, Too!

Your vital support provides nutritious food, warm beds and lifesaving care to animals throughout Texas and beyond. Your kindness also fuels programs that help keep people and pets together, like our Pet Food Pantry and affordable veterinary services.

Every contribution makes a difference, no matter your holiday budget. From

one-time donations and household items to monthly support, stock gifts, corporate matching and more — friends of Operation Kindness Humane Society show generosity in so many ways. It's no wonder you're at the top of our gratitude list!

Learn more at:
operationkindness.org/ways-to-give

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A Message From Our President and CEO: Ed Jamison

Whenever fall rolls around, I think of the families who are spending their first holiday season with the furry friend they found at Operation Kindness Humane Society. Thanks to you, some of these pets are experiencing joy and love (and maybe a taste of turkey!) for the very first time.

Supporters like you are a crucial part of our Operation Kindness Humane Society family. Your generosity is the reason we can care for animals in need — including providing lifesaving veterinary care and helping them find the loving homes they deserve.

I know Starfire is thankful for you and the emergency surgery you provided for her. So is Lucchese, who came to us as a tiny, vulnerable kitten and required two long years of care before he finally found a home.

Both of these animals needed extra veterinary care, time and support on their journey home. You ensured they got it! I hope you know how grateful all of us at Operation Kindness Humane Society are for everything you do.

With each gift, you ensure homeless animals get the love they deserve. And, as you'll read in Ivy's and Newt's stories, these pets give just as much joy and love to their families in return.

Your kindness also stretches far beyond our shelter walls. Our Community Initiatives team offers affordable, accessible veterinary services for community pets. Our Lifesaving Partnerships program provides veterinary support to shelters throughout Texas. Plus, our Interstate Animal Transport program helps animals find loving homes across the country.

Your support allows us to save thousands of lives every year ... and together, we'll continue finding new ways to save even more animals.

With heartfelt thanks,


Ed Jamison
President and Chief Executive Officer



Canines, Cats & Cabernet

Join us for a special evening to support the animals, featuring an open bar, dinner, auctions, live music and dancing.



WHERE:

Omni Dallas Hotel
555 S. Lamar Street
Dallas, TX 75202

WHEN:

November 14, 2026, 5:30 p.m.

Purchase Tickets at: operationkindness.org/ccc



Amazon Wish List

During this season of giving, will you add the animals to your list?

The hundreds of animals in our care need lots of toys, treats and supplies! You can help by providing essential care items through our Amazon Wish List. Simply use your smartphone camera to scan the QR code.



Even on the Longest Journeys, You Are There for Animals in Need

Newborn kittens are some of the most vulnerable animals we care for at Operation Kindness Humane Society. That's why we have a 24-Hour Neonatal Kitten Nursery, featuring warmers, incubators, bottles, formula and trained nursery staff to feed kittens and keep them warm, clean and dry.

Lucchese needed even more help than the average kitten, and for far longer. When it was time for him to start solid food, we noticed he had trouble eating. Our expert team realized he had congenital megaesophagus — a medical condition that is rare in cats — which made it difficult for food to move down his esophagus into his stomach.

To ensure he got the nutrition he needed, Lucchese required a specialized treatment plan. He received two different medications every day and had to eat smaller meals from a raised bowl. He also had to be held upright after each meal to help it stay in his belly.

While some cats wouldn't appreciate such an inconvenient feeding process, easygoing Lucchese took it all in stride.

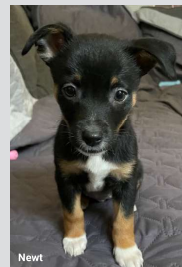
He's so lovable, in fact, one of our own staff members volunteered to be his foster. For nearly two years, our foster program allowed this brave kitty to continue treatment in a calm and comfortable environment.

After his very long wait, we're thrilled to share that Lucchese has finally been adopted by a loving family who is committed to providing the ongoing medical care he needs. Incredible stories like this can only happen with your support.

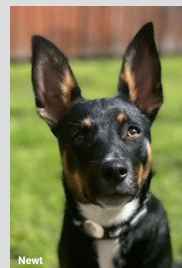
ADOPTION UPDATE: Newt and Her New Pet Parent — Stronger Together!

Newt was just a puppy when she was adopted. Today, the mixed-breed dog is 23 pounds of pure love. Her pet parent recently shared a heartwarming update that demonstrates the life-changing power of your support and the connections you make possible:

Newt brings me so much joy every single day — she's snoozing and snuggling up against me as I write this! She is so much fun and hilariously mischievous. I know to check on what she's up to whenever she sprints by me with her ears back.



I have multiple sclerosis, and last year was pretty rough. I wasn't in great shape when I adopted Newt, but I knew she was the one when I saw her. I lost my dog, Penny, about two years ago at the age of fourteen, but I'd adopted her at two months and knew what I was in for.



With some help from wonderful family and friends, Newt and I both got stronger together! We go on a long walk almost every morning, which last year would've seemed impossible. I found a wonderful in-home trainer who also takes Newt on a long hike twice a week with another dog to make sure she's getting enough exercise and socialization.

I can't thank you enough for all you do and everything you did for Newt!



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Life-changing Connections at Community Events

Ivy may be deaf, but that doesn't stop her from making friends wherever she goes — including at the Turtle Creek Park parade, where Operation Kindness Humane Society was hosting one of our offsite community adoption events. After meeting her at the event, her adopter soon came to our Lifesaving Adoption Center in Carrollton to take Ivy home.

"I instantly fell in love," her adopter says. "I kept thinking about her throughout the week until I made the trip to see her again at Operation Kindness Humane Society. I could tell she was well-loved there!"

Deaf dogs and cats can face longer shelter stays as they wait

for an adopter prepared to support their special needs — it's one of the reasons your support is so essential for animals like Ivy.

"I can't thank you all enough for all you do for these animals and for taking such wonderful care of Ivy!"

— IVY'S ADOPTER

For this sweet soul, her new family was more than worth the wait. "She has fit so perfectly into my life, and I hope she feels the same," her adopter shared. They are even teaching Ivy hand signals to communicate with her.

A Special Way to Give This Season — and for Years to Come

You can create a lasting legacy when you include Operation Kindness Humane Society in your will, trust or other financial plan. It's a special gift that keeps on giving to help more animals who need lifesaving medical care, companionship and a loving home.

If you'd like to discuss opportunities for charitable giving that align with your goals, please reach out! You can get in touch with us via email at development@operationkindness.org.

Foster Heroes

When animals need time to grow, heal or become socialized, the amazing fosters at Operation Kindness Humane Society change lives! Last year, our fosters cared for 3,750 animals with the help of your support.

To learn more or to sign up to become a foster, visit operationkindness.org/foster.



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