

# SOUTHWEST COLLIE AND SHELTYE RESCUE

Serving Arizona, New Mexico, and West Texas



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## Our Two Groups Unite

We are excited to announce that **Southwest Collie Rescue** and **Arizona Sheltie Rescue** have joined forces to form the new **Southwest Collie and Sheltie Rescue, Inc.**

### Background

Southwest Collie Rescue started in New Mexico about 20 years ago, its mission to rescue pure-bred rough and smooth Collies in need. Arizona Sheltie Rescue was formed about ten years ago, and its mission was to provide rescue services for Shelties. There was no Collie rescue in AZ, and no Sheltie rescue in NM.

Consequently, the fabulous volunteers from both organizations began to integrate their activities. Leadership in both organizations became more intertwined. Rescue policies and practices were mutually adopted. In short, we were largely operating two comparable organizations with similar practices, scope, and mission. So we are merging our organizations!

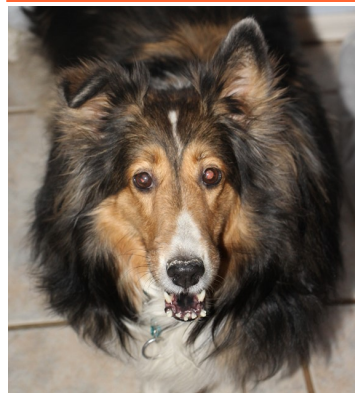
- \* Large administrative expenses, such as insurance and web fees, will be cut in half.
- \* Volunteers can provide better fostering, transporting, and fundraising for both breeds.
- \* Maintaining one database, one website, and a single Facebook page will create a seamless and inclusive place to exchange information.
- \* By combining our organizations, we increase our opportunities to secure funding.

### Implementation

For the past several months, our leadership teams have been working through the mountain of regulatory requirements to make the change happen. All directors of both Arizona Sheltie Rescue and Southwest Collie Rescue will continue to work on the new Board. While the leadership team is preparing for the future, the generous volunteer and financial support which characterized both groups is as essential as ever.

In summary, the new **Southwest Collie and Sheltie Rescue** looks forward to assisting all at-risk Collies and Shelties in Arizona, New Mexico, and West Texas through the continued support of our donors and volunteers.

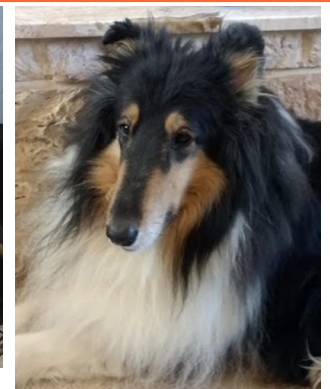
## The Latest Arrivals at SWCSR



When **Sassy's** owner died, no one came forward to claim her. The landlord contacted SWCSR for help. Currently overweight, Sassy the Sheltie is being checked for other issues before she becomes eligible for adoption.



SWCSR received notice of a scared and skinny Sheltie-mix at the AZ pound. Of course we mobilized to get her. She is tiny at only 14 pounds and judged to be two years old. She's part of our family now and we're calling her **Foxy**.



**Storm** was turned into the ABQ shelter after her owner passed away recently. A 10-year-old rough collie, Storm is now in foster care with the Hoffman family in Tijeras, NM. Isn't she beautiful?