The Fallbrook Animal Sanctuary is a no-kill, non-profit, safe haven for animals, staffed entirely by volunteers.

FAS receives no government funds, relying on donations from the public.

Since 2002, FAS has saved and re-homed over 4500 lost and abandoned pets.



The Sanctuary is currently closed to the public.

Adoptions are by appointment only until further notice.
Send an email to info@fallbrook animalsanctuary.org or contact us through social media.

Paw Prints *

A Note from FAS President, Janet LuCore

The past year has been a crazy one for sure. Fortunately, it has been a good one for the sanctuary. We were very concerned at first. By shifting to adoptions by appointment, we have been able to keep saving lives during the shutdown. We have saved even more kittens so far this year than we did last year. Most have been adopted, but there are always more coming in. Of course, there have been lots of dogs coming and going as well. Caring for all of these critters in need would not have been possible without the generous donations of money, food, and other supplies from all of you. Special thanks to the wonderful foster homes that have helped all the babies. Also, thanks to all the volunteers who came in to help during this time. Team effort!

I am going to make this short because I want to save space for you to see lots of pictures of what has been happening this year. Again, thank you for your support and please remember us in your year-end donations. You make all the difference. You make it all possible!

Happy Thanksgiving and Happy Holidays from all your friends at the Fallbrook Animal Sanctuary.







Canine and Cat Cuddles Cure COVID Craziness

The new world of social distance, less personal interaction, and more virtual worlds can become an overbearing stress. Our new days of faceless humans find us searching for more connection, more creative ways to both attach to others and find solitude from a stressful world. If there was ever a time to seek friendship, a connection to a world feeling less connected, now is the time to renew your animal friend bond and perhaps add some more love to your world. Animals help us with our physical, cognitive, social, and emotional stresses in our everyday lives. Studies show a stressed individual's blood pressure lowers when one is petting an animal. Children become more adapted to the world around them and learn respect and responsibility with animals. Animals can decrease our anxiety, after all look at how happy they are in the middle of a pandemic. They are our much-needed emotional support in these tumultuous times.

What could be better than adding another friend to multiply the love in your home and spending some true quality time with your pet? No matter what is going on with the world, you are pure perfection to them. Next time you get the COVID blues, or life seems uncertain and more remote than ever, consider the furry critter who has no idea there is a pandemic, no idea the world has changed. And perhaps, for a moment, enjoy the things that are still the same - the devotion of an animal wanting nothing more than to show you love. If you are looking for love in the time of COVID. look no further than those waiting for you at the Fallbrook Animal Sanctuary.

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"Animals are such agreeable friends. They ask no questions, they pass no criticisms."

George Eliot





Puppies and kittens can be spayed/neutered as young as 8 weeks old. Don't delay.

Advantages

- Spayed females won't experience the physical and behavioral issues associated with going into heat.
- Neutered males are generally better behaved and less likely to roam away from home.
- The risk of certain cancers is lowered and, in some cases, eliminated.
- Over 32,000 kittens can potentially be born from one unspayed female cat and her offspring in seven years. Spaying significantly reduces pet overpopulation.

FAS Christmas Store 2020

The FAS Christmas Store holds fond memories for many of us. Just knowing that every penny we make goes directly back to the Sanctuary and the pets we come to love so much means everything. This year, my sister and I were asked to lead the Christmas Store and we were delighted to take on the responsibility. You see, for many years, our mother was one of the FAS Christmas Store's biggest supporters. She was always excited to share with us the treasures she found at the store and how we needed to "check it out" for ourselves. That we did! The Fallbrook Community is always so gracious each year in all they donate to the store. My sister and I loved volunteering over the past few years. Now that we are the co-chairs for the store, we know that we are honoring our mother in a special way. We can feel her presence every time we volunteer hours to prepare the store for opening day. This year we have received so many donations that we are confident the store will be a huge success. We also want to personally thank all the many volunteers that have agreed to give of themselves and their time to keep this special tradition going. We hope all of you will come visit and find your "special" treasures. This one is for you, Mom! We love you and miss you dearly. We know we are making you, our community, and all our special furry friends proud! We look forward to seeing you all at the 2020 FAS Christmas Store!

Michele Turley and Laura Turley-Denny Co-Chairs for the 2020 FAS Christmas Store

In dedication to our beautiful mother Diane W. Turley October 22, 1943 - June 26, 2013





Wishing you could make a financial gift to the Fallbrook Animal Sanctuary, but it just isn't in the budget? There are two programs you can participate in that allow you to make regular monetary donations to FAS at absolutely no cost to you.

Major Market will donate 1% of the total amount spent on receipts that are returned by FAS. Submit your receipts to us through the mail or drop them off directly at the sanctuary.



Visit smile.amazon.com to select the Fallbrook Animal Sanctuary as your designated charity. FAS will receive a donation from Amazon with every purchase you make.

Kitten Season 2020

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Kitten Season 2020 started on January 3rd with the arrival of three tiny kittens and has shown no signs of slowing down since. As of October 25th, FAS has rescued 295 kittens and 22 mother cats. It seems like every year more and more kittens need rescue and the season gets longer and longer. FAS has been able to save so many more kittens this year because of the 29 foster families that have graciously stepped up to love and

care for them until they are ready to find their forever families. As a FAS foster family, all you provide is the love and the space, we provide everything else. These kittens don't just need TLC, they also need medical attention as well. All kittens are spayed or neutered, microchipped, start their vaccine series, and are treated for the pesky parasites that all rescue kittens seem to have. Sometimes kittens arrive with illnesses or injuries, and we always make sure to get them all the medical care they need. FAS has spent approximately \$90,000 on medical care for the kittens alone this year making sure that each one is happy and healthy and ready for adoption. Taking care of this many kittens takes a lot of resources and we always need help. If you are interested in helping us save the most innocent lives, orphaned kittens, there are many ways you can help.

- * Spay and neuter your pets
- * Become a monthly FAS donor
- * Become a foster family
- * Shop our Amazon wish lists



FAS recently received a quarterly donation of \$678.32 thanks to customers shopping at smile.amazon.com. To date, AmazonSmile has donated a total of \$4,112.79 to the Fallbrook Animal Sanctuary. Sign up today!!!



On November 19, 2018, Joe and Isabelle walked through the door of the sanctuary and we just knew that FAS hit the jackpot. Since that day a little over 2 years ago, Joe and Isabelle have made a huge impact on FAS, all the volunteers, and most of all the



Ioe Crabtree & Isabelle Echeveste

animals in our care. They are not just dependable, they are irreplaceable. Since joining the FAS Volunteer Team, they have stepped in as Lead Volunteers and are always willing to assist with all FAS events. There is nothing they are not willing and ready to assist with and they always do everything with love, enthusiasm, and dedication. Every volunteer at FAS knows that they can go to them if they have any questions or concerns. On behalf of everyone at FAS, the Board of Directors, volunteers, medical staff, and the animals in our care, we would like to take this opportunity to thank Joe and Isabelle for their continued support and dedication to FAS. Congratulations to you both on being our 2020 Volunteers of the Year.



Cats have
free-floating
collarbones that
do not attach to
any other bones,
which allows
them to squeeze
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Animal Statistics from January 1-September 30, 2020

	Cats	Dogs
Intake	343	41
Adopted	283	39
Spayed/ Neutered	245	21



Breed Profile - The Xoloitzcuintli

The Xoloitzcuintli has been a human companion for more than 3,000 years. One of a handful of hairless breeds found world over, it comes, like the poodle, in three sizes: toy, miniature and standard, and ranges in weight from around 8 lbs to 60 lbs. The Xolo ("Show-low") is the national dog of Mexico.

While most Xolos have no body hair, just a tuft on top of the head and perhaps some hair on the tail, not all Xolos are hairless. About one-third of puppies are born with a full coat of hair and a full set of teeth. Hairless Xolos lack many side teeth, which is one reason they are often pictured with their tongues hanging out of the side of their mouths.



Xolos, both hairless and coated, make wonderful companions. They are sensitive, intelligent, loyal and protective, but they generally don't do well as only dogs. They must be indoor dogs, especially in the colder months. Xolos can be adopted through specialized breed rescue organizations.

Holiday Safety Tips for Pets

With the busy holiday season upon us, be mindful of these common dangers for pets.





Decorations

Cats love tinsel and dogs love ornaments. Both are choking hazards and if swallowed can lead to an obstructed digestive tract.

Fire hazards

Be mindful of candles. Also, ensure that wiring, extension cords, and batteries are in good repair and make sure they are placed in safe areas.

Treats & handouts

You and your guests will want to share goodies with pets. Don't do it! Xylitol, found in many food products, is deadly for cats and dogs. Also, rich foods will make your pet sick.

Cocktails

Cats and dogs both will curiously want to sample adult holiday drinks. If ingested, your pet could become ill and could possibly go into a coma and die.

Medicine

Keep medicines and toiletries locked away. Be sure guests have them zipped and packed away as well. Even toothpaste, which contains xylitol, can be deadly.

Noise

Fireworks, loud music, and boisterous parties are all stressful for pets. Make sure they have a safe place, away from activity, that they can go for comfort



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Fostered by Rebecca

"Fostering has easily been one of the most fulfilling and rewarding endeavors I've ever been a part of. You have the honor of saving precious little lives and then seeing them off to make amazing memories with their forever families. Some people say that they couldn't foster because they'd be too sad to say goodbye but the goodbye, while bittersweet, is the best possible outcome you could hope for. Too many animals never get the chance to know love and safety, so having your foster(s) get adopted is cause for celebration! Saying goodbye also means that you now have room to save the next ones that need you, so it's a win-win. It's always an absolute pleasure to foster for FAS. They truly love every animal that comes into their care and it shows."

Fostered by Zarina

"Fostering kittens has been an amazing experience for my family and I. Although we are the ones giving them a home with love and care, they return the love in so many ways with their cuddles and they bring us so much comfort and joy! FAS always gives us so much support and they put their heart into everything they do."

A Salute to Our Fab



Fostered by Claire and Oliver



Fostered by Samantha



Fostered by Anna and Carter

"Fostering has been the most rewarding experience for me and my family. Having little babies that depend on you and at the same time teaching our little one to care for and have compassion for animals is priceless. Open your home and your heart and you'll be rewarded with lots of snuggles and laughs."



Fostered by Amy

"We wouldn't foster if we didn't know FAS was very careful in vetting people to find the best homes for the kitties. We put a lot of love into them and want them to live long happy lives."

ulous Foster Families



Fostered by Eve



Fostered by Stacy and Kylie

"In March 2020, my daughter asked if we could foster kittens for FAS while we were quarantined at home. It has become an experience that truly changed my life. Before this, I had never been part of something so rewarding. These tiny babies rely on you for absolutely everything. Setting an alarm to bottle feed every 2 hours around the clock is exhausting but it is also worth every minute of sleep lost. We are now at 22 precious kitties fostered and each of them holds a special place in my heart. FAS does the most amazing work and truly loves every single animal that comes in their door. Fostering has become something my family does now without hesitation. My biggest wish is that people will spay/neuter their pets and always keep their kitties indoors. These two simple things will save so many precious lives. Thank you FAS for doing the incredible work that you do."



Fostered by Kristie

"Fostering was such a special experience. You provide them love and safety so they become the perfect addition to their new families. That is, if you don't fall in love and become a foster fail."



Fostered by Daria



Fostered by Yanna

"38 and counting... Fostering isn't for everyone and I never thought it would have been my calling. Yes it is rewarding and yes they are cute, but it is exhausting and painful at times. I can sit on the floor for hours and laugh just watching them playing. Other days are heart wrenching as you lose one right in your hands. Sometimes they are too sick and weak to thrive or anemic from being flea infested. I care for every single one like they're my own but know that it is always temporary and don't let any of these factors stop me. In the last 6 months I have fostered 38 cats and kittens and don't plan on stopping anytime soon."



Fostered by Natalie

A Note from FAS Financial Adviser Brad Tedrick

Are you considering making a gift to the Fallbrook Animal Sanctuary and wondering the best way? Here are three ways you can donate, receive tax benefits, and direct the taxes due to benefit your local community.

Avoid Capital Gains Taxes and get a tax deduction-

Did you know that gifting an appreciated asset directly to FAS will provide you a charitable deduction and avoid income taxes? The IRS allows you to use the fair market value of the investment on the date of the gift as a charitable deduction. The full value is used to provide for our community's care and protection of animals avoiding taxes!

Avoid taxes on your IRA and potentially reduce your tax rate-

Did you also know that the IRS changed the rules on gifts of IRA and retirement funds recently? If you're over 70 $\frac{1}{2}$ you can gift any amount up to \$100,000.00 of your IRA and have it qualify for your required minimum distribution. For spouses, the amount doubles to \$100,000.00 each. The distribution avoids your tax return and the potential taxes due are avoided to benefit the Fallbrook Animal Sanctuary! For many individuals reducing the IRA income on your tax return will also reduce the amount of taxes due on social security income. This additional tax benefit makes this strategy worth looking into.

Double the IRA with a charitable trust-

Recently, the IRS changed the rules on how IRA's can be inherited to non-spouses. The Stretch-IRA was eliminated and requires a full payout within 10 years. A new strategy of opening a charitable trust as the IRA beneficiary that benefits your heirs over a term of years then goes to the charity can be a win-win planning strategy. If you provide a 5% annual distribution to your heirs over 20 years with the remainder to the charity. If the trust earns at least 5% you can potentially double the value! Leaving retirement assets to a charity can completely avoid the income tax due, making the gift much more valuable.

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PET EMERGENCY KIT CHECKLIST Stock up on items your pet may need during a disaster. Below are some items to help get you started. Pet first-aid kit ☐ Food ■ Water ■ Bowls ☐ Extra collar ■ Extra leash ■ Medical records ■ Two-week supply of medications □ Crate or sturdy carrier ■ Blanket Recent photos of your pets (in case you are separated and need to make "Lost" posters) ■ Toys and bones ■ Disposable litter trays ☐ Litter or paper toweling ■ Disposable garbage bags for clean-up

ARE YOU PREPARED FOR A WILDFIRE EVACUATION?



As catastrophic wildfires continue to increase each year in California, make sure to protect yourself and your family, including your fur babies, by planning in advance.