Fall-Winter 2023

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.

January - October 2023

	Dogs	Cats
Intake	62	387
Adopted	61	282
Spayed/ Neutered	36	322



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











A Note from FAS President, Dr. John Daly

'Tis the season to say Thank You Fallbrook!

Thank you to the community -- you have helped us survive for another year. Thank you to all the volunteers for the thousands of hours of labor it takes to keep our rescued animals clean, healthy and secure. Thank you to the many foster families who provide loving homes to cats and dogs who need extra special attention, such as bottle feeding kittens, or rehabilitation and socialization for injured animals. Thank you to our donors and supporters whose contributions pay the food and veterinary bills and help keep the lights on. This is truly a magic community.

We have accomplished a lot this year. Many dogs and cats have come through our doors, including 324 kittens as of November 1st. All rescued animals who find their way to us are given a wellness check, are spayed or neutered, receive all vaccinations, and are microchipped. Many require additional medical care before they can be adopted. This is no small task. This year we were also able to sponsor six free spay-and-neuter clinics through the SNAP program, because of the generous donations made during our Giving Tuesday appeal in 2022. We hope to be able to offer eight next year. Spay-and-neuter programs are the only way we can hope to stem the endless tide of homeless animals that end up on our streets and back alleys.

It has been a difficult and challenging year for us however. Food and veterinary costs are up while donations have not kept pace with demand. With the support from all of you we made it through and met our goals. Once again we have shown we can do this! We can make a difference in the lives of those animals who find their way to us. I hope that all of you have had a chance to see some of the adoption success stories and photos on social media. Those stories are what we are all about.

So I wish you, one and all, a delightful holiday season and do hope you will come visit the Fallbrook Animal Sanctuary Christmas Store and help support our cause.



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"I had been told that the training procedure with cats was difficult. It's not. Mine had me trained in two days." Bill Dana





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.

Giving Tuesday Campaign for 2024 SNAP Clinics

As 2023 comes to an end, kitten season is still in full force. As of October 31st, we have rescued 326



kittens, countless mom cats, and many adult cats. If it wasn't for SNAP, the Spay Neuter Action Project, we would not be able to rescue as many as we do. It's because of SNAP that we are able to get hundreds of animals hoping for a second chance spayed and neutered so that they will be ready for adoption.

This year we also were able to sponsor 6 FREE spay/neuter clinics for the community with SNAP thanks to your generosity during our Giving Tuesday campaign in November of 2022. We are doing it again this year with bigger goals and are hoping to raise enough for 8 FREE spay/neuter clinics with SNAP for the community. Our goal is to raise \$21,000 and the best part is we have an anonymous donor who will match all donations up to \$10,000.

Please help us save the lives of thousands of unwanted dogs, cats, puppies, and kittens, and donate today. Every dollar raised will go to our Spay and Neuter Fund so 300+ pets can live happy, healthy lives, and their guardians don't have to worry about adding to the overpopulation of unwanted animals in 2024.



The Fallbrook Animal Sanctuary can only fulfill its mission with the support of our community. In addition to the many individuals who have given generously to keep the doors open, FAS would like to give special thanks to the following business sponsors for their ongoing partnerships:



















FAS Volunteer of the Year

Congratulations to our 2023 Volunteer of the Year - Gail Prizzi. Gail has been helping our FAS animals going on 5 years. She is primarily dog volunteer (morning, afternoon, and evening shifts) but she's also a foster kitten volunteer and helps out with fundraisers too. We appreciate your dedication and commitment Gail. Thank you!



Dogs' noses can sense heat and thermal radiation, which explains why blind or deaf dogs can still hunt.



FAS Christmas Store

The Christmas Store opened a month earlier this year. The space we rented last year was available, and we opened on October 3rd with Halloween and Harvest merchandise for sale. Business was a little slow in October, but the experiment was worthwhile and we plan to do it again next year, storefront space permitting. A big thank you for the second year in a row to the Coen family for providing the same wonderful space (it's perfect for us!) at a reduced rent. And thank you to everyone who brought us Halloween items on short notice. Without you we wouldn't have had anything to sell!

It's incredibly heartwarming to all shop volunteers to be told day after day how much our shoppers love our store and look forward to it every year. We meet kind and dedicated animal lovers every single day and it makes our job joyful and so very worthwhile. It's a

happy place to work.

Please continue to visit us up to and including Christmas Eve. We are open 10 am to 6 pm Monday to Saturday, and 10 am to 2 pm on Sunday. The shop is located at 746 South Main Avenue. We look forward to seeing you there!





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Where Will Your Pet Go After You Are Gone or Unable to Care for Them?

Every year approximately 500,000 cats and dogs enter shelters when their pet parents experience an emergency or pass away. This can be avoided by putting a future plan into place to care for your pet if you are not be there to take care of their daily needs.

Consider what you might want for your pet should you not be available. Talk with family and friends to see if a trusted person is willing to help in a temporary emergency or to possibly take your pet should you not be available. You will want to have this conversation before the need arises. If you find someone who is willing to be a temporary or permanent guardian, be sure to memorialize this in writing. If you have an estate planning attorney, discuss this with them. Additionally, in California "Pet Trusts" are allowed for the benefit of the pet. Also, financial arrangements can be made with the future guardian.

It is always recommended to discuss these issues with an attorney. Additionally, make a list of your pet's needs now for future care such as food, toys, medical issues, and veterinary facilities, including pet records.

You love your pet and want what is best for them. Making arrangements now for their future care during their entire life is a responsible and loving act by pet parents.



