



Humane Society for Inland Mendocino County

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"Our lives are in your hands"

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MONTHLY MEETING

3rd Wednesday of each month
6pm at Redwood Valley Grange

"POPSICLE"

BEFORE and AFTER



Our little miracle puppy Popsicle, (aka Seven), continues to thrive in his foster home... We still can't believe he almost lost his life because he was hungry and cold. We can do better than this! Popsicle is alive today because our community cares.

Popsicle and his litter mates were found on Road A in Redwood Valley, hungry and cold, when a member of the community saw them on the side of the road and stopped to help. Popsicle was in poor condition, barely moving and occasionally whimpering.

Our medical team quickly began assessing the situation and providing care, hoping for a miracle. After an emergency vet visit and advice, we had the info needed to keep trying and hoping this little Popsicle was ready to fight as hard as we were.

Popsicle spent the night in the incubator, receiving care as needed and as appropriate for this situation. In time, he started showing improvements and when he felt well enough to eat, we knew he had a chance.

Once Popsicle recovered from his ordeal, he quickly moved to a foster home with one of his siblings where they showed off their skills in mischief, mayhem, and cuddles! From fighting for his life to stealing socks and causing chaos, this pup has truly impressed us all!

Thank you to everyone who sent good vibes and well wishes – your support has turned this sad tale into a heartwarming success story!

Highlights (continued)

TODAY was CHANDLER'S DAY!



Chandler is a wonderfully big and dashing handsome four-year-old who can't get enough love once he gets to know you.

Chandler enjoys spending time with his fellow FeLV kitties out on the Catio on sunny days and meeting new people, especially if they have snacks.

After 851 days in the shelter, this wonderful gentleman decided Chandler was the cat for him and didn't let an FeLV diagnosis deter him from giving Chandler a good life.

Did you know that you too could have a FeLV cat or two?

They really are easy to care for, just keep them indoors and on a healthy diet, and they can live like any other cat.

Chandler was diagnosed with FeLV as a youngster and is still as healthy as can be.

SHELTER PARTNERSHIPS ARE IMPORTANT!

Seventeen of our cats went on an adventure to the Humane Society of Sonoma County and Redwood Coast Humane!

At the time we were over capacity with adult cats in our Cattery, we were preparing for kitten season, and we knew we needed some help. We also knew some of our cats could use a fresh start and new opportunities to find a home.

Both the Humane Society for Sonoma County and Redwood Coast Humane heard our plea and offered their assistance.

Redwood Coast Humane took on 3 cats and Humane Society of Sonoma County took on fourteen cats. This was really amazing to work together and give some of our shy and longer-stay cats a new chance to find a loving home.

We checked in in April and only one of the cats we transferred remains unadopted.



Highlights (continued)

HOBO FINDS A HOME!

After 11 months at HSMC, Hobo finds his forever home!

This lovely family came from the coast to meet a few lucky dogs but it was Hobo they couldn't send back to his kennel. Hobo used all his charms and skills to show all he had learned in his time at our shelter and it helped seal the deal!

A volunteer favorite, Hobo spent 11 months at HSMC and now all his fans are cheering him on in his new journey on the coast! His family finished their adoption counseling with Manina, our Certified Trainer/Behavioral Consultant Volunteer, who guided Hobo during his shelter journey and helped his graduate from GoodPup.

Did you know our dogs come with scholarships to [GoodPup](#)?

We believe in supporting our pets and their families long after they leave our shelter!

The best part is Hobo scored the sweetest family ever complete with a young woman, proudly holding the leash, with big plans for her new BFF!

Then, the adoption update that we'd all been waiting for arrived - Hobo has a new lease on life!

After almost a year at our shelter he is enjoying being part of a family and he gets to run, run, run at the beach with his BFF.

Hobo hopes all his friends at the shelter get to be as lucky as he is one day!



CURIOS HAS FOUND HIS HOME.....

Curious came to HSMC FeLV positive and suffering from severe dental disease. We began fundraising and with the support from our community, we were able to provide him with a dental and extract all of his rotten teeth.

Once Curious recovered, he was feeling pretty darn good and made friends with our other FeLV kitty Katie. These two spent their days in the FeLV cottage greeting visitors, napping, and simply enjoying their quiet life.

Then, at the beginning of March, a friend came to meet Curious and made the decision to Adopt! Curious left the facility and moved right into a home of his own.

FeLV cats deserve all the BEST! We are so grateful for those who see their potential and open their homes to these special cats.

Highlights (continued)

LONG TERM RESIDENT MADDIE FINDS A HOME!



After 577 days, Maddie found her home and we are so thankful that this lovely family saw her potential and fell in love.

Maddie can be fiercely independent and doesn't mind simply existing in the same space as her people. While Maddie enjoys love and admiration, like every calico, she has the calico "tortitude", which made finding her a home a bit more challenging but we knew her people were out there somewhere.

We wish Maddie all the best as she settles into her new home.

VOLUNTEER / FOSTER

VOLUNTEER WITH US

Orientation is held the first Thursday and last Sunday of each month at 11am, so mark your calendars, we are hoping for many new volunteers to join our team!

Right now our shelter is struggling with too many animals in care and tons more that are requesting to come in, and too few hands to care for them all.

Volunteers can help change that!

Our volunteers help us keep the dogs and cats onsite happy, healthy, and adoptable. We are able to provide much better care and get more work done when our volunteer team is out in full force!

Just a few hours a month can make a big difference in not only our animals' lives but also help relieve some of the stress that our team is currently under.

NOW IS THE TIME TO JOIN US!

When attending orientation, be sure to wear closed toe shoes and bring some treats if you are able to! Orientation is around 1 hour long and we have made some changes to help make it easy for everyone to get in the groove!

For more information, please visit our website: mendohmanesociety.com or hsmc.org

OUR VAN TRANSPORT HERO



Help us give a big *thank you and round of applause* to *John Wagner!* In 2023 John took on the role of vet run transporter for our dog team and you can see him driving up and down the 101 freeway in our HSMC van full of dogs headed for surgery or a vet check when needed.

When your foster to adopt puppy comes back for their big spay/neuter day, John is their escort. He does his job with lots of love and care, safely getting our pups to and from their appointments. John is a foster, volunteer and jumps in to help us fill the void anywhere he can. When we call him for an unexpected vet run he will be there, saving our staff precious time to attend to other animal needs.

John is one of the many heroes that help us keep this place running and we think the world of him!

Our animals are lucky to have John on their side.

FOSTERS HOMES NEEDED!

Fostering can make a huge difference for an animal living at the shelter. Little Jaime is feeling a little more sure about his human interactions after spending three days in a foster home. Fostering provides our animals with love, warmth, comfort, safety, and new experiences!

If you have the time and space, and would like to help an animal in need, please visit our website to learn more and submit an application or scan the QR code below to go directly to our Foster/Volunteer page:

We want to keep our animals as comfortable as possible and having them in a foster home helps us learn so much more about their personalities.

Kitten season is also here and we will need foster homes willing and able to take on underage kittens, pregnant females, and bottle babies.

Can they crash on your couch and enjoy your home with you?

We can provide all the supplies, you provide a temporary loving home.



SCAN ME

Wed-Fri 1pm-5pm

Sat-Sun 11am-3pm

707-485-0123 ext 302

<https://mendohumanesociety.com/volunteer%2Ffoster>



A NEW INITIATIVE to keep dogs in homes - GOODPUP!!



Humane Society for Inland Mendocino County is excited to announce our partnership with the GoodPup dog training app! GoodPup offers customized, affordable, positive dog training that you can access from the comfort of your home, at a time that works for YOU.

We are really excited about the possibility of better-behaved dogs! (And fewer dogs that need new homes due to behavioral issues.) GoodPup offers one week of free training; there is no obligation, and users can cancel at any time. Here's what else to know:

- If you've ever adopted a dog from HSIMC, you can sign up for the GoodPup app, and get a lifetime discount off their services. (This is good for HSIMC fosters, volunteers, and staff members, too.)

Here is the code to get started: <https://links.goodpup.com/shelter/MendocinoHS>

- If you haven't adopted from HSIMC but are still interested in the training, please visit: <https://links.goodpup.com/shelter/MendocinoHSTraining>

For everyone who keeps up with GoodPup beyond the first week of training, HSIMC will receive \$40 from the company – whether the dog is from us or not! These funds will help us with our behavior program so we can continue to support the needs of our dogs who are onsite or in homes (Remember, that first week is free.)

We live in a rural community with limited resources to sound training techniques. We love that this virtual training experience can help people and their pups from the comfort of their own home.

*We hope this helps some puppies learn how to be good dogs, and also helps some old dogs learn new tricks!
Thank you, GoodPup!*

DONATIONS NEEDED

Thinking about donating to HSIMC? Well, here is a list of items we always need:

Standard Facility Items

Bleach (regular), Laundry Detergent (unscented), Paper Towels, Toilet Paper, Dawn Dish Soap,
55 gal Black Trash Bags, 32 Gallon Clear Trash Bags, 13 gallon trash bags

For the Cats

KMR Kitten Formula, Miracle Nipples, Dry Cat/Kitten Food, Canned Cat/Kitten Food, Probiotics,
Catnip, Toys, Hammocks, Cardboard Scratchers

For the Dogs

Puppy Pads, Good Quality Dog/Puppy Food, Canned Dog/Puppy Food, X-pens, Wire Crates, Martingale Collars,
Probiotic Capsules, Kongs, Leashes, Wire Crates

SPECIAL BENEFACTORS (AKA Angels of HSIMC)

It is all about the animals and we have some Angels that are always there for us and are helping push HSIMC to the next level so we can be there for the homeless animals in our community with upgraded facilities, equipment, funding for veterinary care and other special programs that make HSIMC unique.

Thank you for standing by us and thank you for believing in our mission and what HSIMC stands for.

Jayne Goodale, Claudia Murray, Paul Shimmin, Susan Winter, Linda Schwede, Eddie Alexander, Sparetime Supply, Myran Hurst, Bones Pet Rescue, John King, Clay Nesbitt, George Peterson Insurance Agency, Elaine Richard, Cynthia Huhn, Enterprise Events Group, Jay Epstein Insurance Agency Inc., Ka Hu, Wayne Menger & Victor Hoosac, Majide, Marin Ventures Outdoor Advertising, C.R. & Sharon Holmes

Donations Made in Honor of People & Pets

Nels Berg, Sandy Spencer, Jeff Woldemar, Janet Rosen

Donations Made in Memory of People & Pets

David Rodrigue, Rhiannon Joel, Jeff Woldemar, Jennie Angell, George Smith,
George: Ben Smith's Companion, Margaret Oden, Pat Trujillo

DONATE FOR CHARITY

Thinking of donating a vehicle?

You can donate yours through Donate for Charity and the proceeds will go to HSIMC!

Donate for Charity makes the process easy, and they handle all the details after you submit your request.

You can donate a vehicle to HSIMC by visiting our website: www.hsimc.org



ESTATE PLANNING

Consider Leaving a Legacy

Estate planning gives you the opportunity to control the distribution of your assets. Charitable giving allows you to make a significant difference, help your survivors know your wishes, and can help you achieve specific financial goals, such as reducing or eliminating tax liability.

Why You Should Consider HSIMC?

The decision to include the Humane Society for Inland Mendocino County in your estate plans creates a legacy, while showing a sincere commitment to the animals in our care. Your gift will contribute to the well-being of the animals while they are here and will help them find loving, permanent homes.

Please consider including HSIMC in your trust or will and create a legacy.

For more information, please email: jking@hsimc.org

BIG THANK YOU LIAM NUNNEMAKER

Thank you **Liam Nunnemaker** for donating **25%** of your farmers market sales to HSMC!

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Thank you to John and Marin Ventures Outdoor Advertising for your incredibly generous donation of the billboard space for an entire year to promote our cause.

Your kindness and generosity in providing this valuable advertising opportunity will help us reach a wider audience, attract potential donors, and ultimately save more lives.

Your support gives us strength and motivation to continue our work!



Thank you Pardini Appliance for your longtime support of HSMC!

Pardini Appliance has been a longtime Business Partner of HSMC and we are so grateful for their commitment to the longevity of our work.

Not only do they support us year after year, but they provide **Pardini Pup Certificates** for all of our dog adopters to use at their store and donate **\$5** per dog adoption to support our lifesaving work!

We are so grateful for all you do for us!



Thank you **Stephanie at Howard Hospital** for thinking of HSMC!

When Howard Hospital has items they can no longer use, we are happy to take on the items we use every day at the shelter.

We now have a decent stockpile of gloves, isolation gowns, and various other items that will help us continue to provide for the animals in our care.

It takes a multitude of resources to run our shelter so a BIG THANK YOU for the support we receive from our community!

Shout OUTS



Thank you **CDC of Mendocino County** for collecting donations on behalf of the animals at HSIMC!

Your dedication to helping our community and the animals in our care is wonderful and we thank you for your time and efforts to bring so many wonderful items.

Some of the toys have already been distributed to the cats and dogs and the food will keep bellies full!

We appreciate your support and love of animals!

Wishlist

FURRY FRIENDS and/or FACILITY!

Have you seen our Amazon Wishlists? We receive many wonderful donations through this program and are so thankful for everyone who sends gifts to the dogs and cats and for our facility.

We have two Wishlists going, one to support our furry friends and one to keep our facility operating.

Click the links below and check out our Wishlists:



Furry Friends: <https://a.co/4HHPNLN>



Facility Wishlist: <https://a.co/hd1bhVv>

If you are shopping locally, you can bring donations by the shelter during any of our open hours or shop at Rainbow Ag or Tractor Supply in Ukiah and leave your donation in our donation bin at the front of their store.

Thank you for your support and keeping our facility running smoothly!

Letter from our Board President

2023 was another busy year at the shelter as the demand for rescue services continues to exceed our capacity to support it. During the year we rescued 1004 cats and dogs and adopted out 980 of them into new homes. Rescuing and providing temporary shelter for this many animals while they wait for a new home, is only possible by having a community that believes in and supports our foster program.

HSIMC has an active roster of over 600 foster families who step in and keep pets out of the shelters, providing a warm and dry environment full of love and patience. These families are instrumental in helping to socialize and provide behavioral development, so by the time they are adopted you will have a pet who has avoided a stressful kennel stay. Fostering is a very rewarding experience and if you would like to get involved in this effort, let us know, we have a very robust support program that helps make your participation easy.

This winter, once we got a little reprieve from the much-needed rains, HSIMC's traveling tour and fundraising schedule went into full action. We started February with "Paws of Love", a very successful dog adoption event held at Mendo Mill in Willits. This is an annual event and this year we partnered with Mendo Pet Rescue. The staff at Mendo Mill always go overboard to make sure there is ample community involvement, foot traffic and a photo booth. A great way to start the season.

We followed up this adoption event with "Tails and Toys" at Brown Bear Toys in Ukiah. Cassie, the new owner reached out to HSIMC and wanted to get involved and help with a venue. Even though it rained a little, we had an excellent turnout and the store went out of their way in making us feel welcome, providing people snacks and drinks! But the best outcome of the day was Cassie and her family fell head over for one of our dogs and Keno found his new home.

Then back to Willits for "Spring Fling" sponsored by Shanachie Pub. No pets at this venue, but Pete and his team rallied the community, promoting this event and gathering an awesome collection of silent auction items. A keg of beer was provided by Northspur Brewery and 100% of the proceeds was donated to HSIMC. That evening's band also got into the spirit, donating a portion of their night's proceeds. We are so appreciative of Shanachie for doing all the heavy lifting of organizing an event, we know it takes a significant amount of work and dedication to be successful and this was a VERY successful event.

Saint Patrick's Day ushered in a return of the Pancake Breakfast to Redwood Valley, after being absent for far too long. In the first of what will be many future collaborations, RV Grange 382, RVCFD volunteers and HSIMC joined together to host this event. It was an amazing success with nearly 300 in ticket sales and 50 volunteers, including around 20, 4Hers who bussed tables and helped keep the patrons happy. Lots of hard work involved in this but nothing more rewarding than to hear the community's appreciation, positive feedback, and suggestions for future events.

Easter Saturday was our 2nd annual egg hunt for all the kiddos, fortunately someone was looking out for us, as it occurred on a dry day sandwiched between 2 rain storms, go figure? We "planted" 1200 eggs, and this year the hunters were divided into 2 groups, the littles and then the older children. Needless to say, the actual hunt was over in about 15 minutes as the attendance was very high, the kids flooded the fields and had a blast, each egg had a treat inside and a "special" gold egg included a raffle ticket for stuffed animals. The Easter bunny made an appearance and was available for photo opportunities and lap sitting.

Traditionally on this day RV Grange 382 has held an annual bake sale at their hall, in our continued effort to collaborate we invited them to attend the hunt and sales were very good. This was a very successful community event, a safe environment for the children, and an opportunity for HSIMC to give a little something back.

Saturday May 4 is our "Black and White Ball " to be held at Barra event center. Last year this was HSIMC's biggest fundraiser, something we hope to repeat in 2024 and future years. There will be good food, good friend's and lots of comradery. Make sure you get your tickets and help to support our rescue and adoption efforts, see you there!

OUR MISSION IS NOT POSSIBLE WITHOUT YOU!

John King



Shelter Stats

YTD SHELTER STATS: January 1, 2024 thru March 31, 2024

Our live outcome rate for 2024 is: 97.6%

2024 Intakes Breakdown		
Total Intake: 203 Dogs: 113 Cats: 90	Owner Surrender: 93 Dogs: 47 Cats: 46	Rescue Transfer In: 39 Dogs: 39 Cats: 0
Strays: 60 Dogs: 21 Cats: 39	Ferals: 0	Other Intakes: 11 Dogs: 6 Cats: 5

2024 Outcomes Breakdown		
Total Outcomes: 211 Dogs: 90 Cats: 121	Return to Owner: 0 Dogs: 0 Cats: 0	Rescue Transfer Out: 27 Dogs: 10 Cats: 17
Adoptions: 179 Dogs: 78 Cats: 101	TNR:	Deaths: 11 Dogs: Died in care: 1 Euthanized: 1 Cats: Died in care: 1 Euthanized: 2

MAY 4, 2024 - BLACK & WHITE SPRING GALA



Tickets on sale until April 28, 2024

Humane Society for Inland Mendocino County is currently planning our Black & White Spring Gala!

Come celebrate with us at BARRA of Mendocino on May 4, 2024.

Tickets grant access to the event where you will enjoy a buffet style dinner, live and silent auctions, and live music.

A Buffet Style Dinner will be provided by Black Dog Catering.

Dinner includes: Greek Salad, Creamy Tuscan Chicken, Pasta Primavera, and Bread.

Beer, wine, and a signature wine cocktail will be available for purchase.

More information can be found on our website:

mendohumanesociety.com/events

5/18/2024 – JOIN US for “GO TOPLESS DAY”
at THURSTON AUTO PLAZA



Current & Future Events in 2024

5/18/2024 – MENDO PRIDE in HOPLAND

MENDO PRIDE
Hopland, CA
May 18

1 pm Hopland Tap and Beer Garden

6-8 pm Drag Show at Hopland Tap
Community contestants encouraged to participate!

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6/29/2024 - DISC GOLF TOURNEMENT at Anderson Valley Brewing Company



For more on our upcoming events head over to mendohumanesociety.com/events

If you have a youth group that would benefit or be interested in coming to HSIMC, we would be thrilled to host. A cornerstone of our philosophy is to try and give back and there is no better way to do so, then with our youth, the future!

Please contact me, John King - President of the Board of Directors, jkking@hsmc.org and we will get it organized.

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What We're Doing/Mission

We are thrilled to report that 2024 has kicked off with spectacular momentum, and we are eagerly anticipating the achievements this year holds for us. Thanks to the unwavering support of our community, we have successfully introduced additional training programs at the shelter. Our dedicated employees will be actively participating in various training opportunities throughout the year, ensuring that we continue to improve our services and care for our beloved animals.

As we welcome the vibrant beauty of springtime at the shelter, it's impossible not to marvel at the resurgence of life. The foliage is lush, blossoms adorn every corner, and the sight of lupins and poppies adds splashes of color to our surroundings.

Spring also ushers in kitten season, bringing with it an influx of pregnant cats in need of refuge. We've been inundated with calls from concerned individuals seeking a safe haven for these expectant mothers and their soon-to-be-born kittens.

We also continue to grapple with the escalating challenge of meeting the needs of our community. This first quarter of 2024 alone, we have received over 50 surrender requests for dogs. Our surgery schedule for spay and neuter is fully booked through June. Any new dogs or puppies coming into the shelter will need to wait until July for spay/neuter, delaying their eligibility for adoption. To address this, we rely on programs such as our foster and foster to adopt programs to provide temporary care for these animals outside the shelter environment.

In times such as these, we find that the community embraces our struggles and provides support. Several veterinary offices have reached out to offer assistance with spay/neuter appointments to reduce the backlog we face. We extend our heartfelt thanks to East Hill Veterinary, Yokayo Veterinary, and MCACS for their invaluable support!

Would you like to make a difference? There are numerous ways you can support our cause. While financial contributions are crucial for covering medical expenses, providing food, and ensuring the comfort of the animals under our care, every donation, regardless of size, makes a significant impact. We gratefully accept donations of pet food, bedding, toys, bleach, and other essential items. For a comprehensive list of items needed, please visit our Amazon Wishlist.

We also urge you to amplify our message by sharing our stories and raising awareness about our organization. Whether it's through social media shares, volunteering your time, or simply encouraging others to join our cause, your involvement is invaluable. Together we can foster a compassionate community that champions the well-being of all living beings.

On behalf of the entire team at the Humane Society for Inland Mendocino County, we extend our heartfelt gratitude to each and every one of you. Your generosity, compassion, and ongoing support enable us to fulfill our mission and work towards our shared goals.

Thank you for believing in us and standing by our side on this journey,

Jenny Hanzlik



MISSION

The purpose of this nonprofit is to nurture, educate and engage the community in the care of cats and dogs in need, giving as many animals as possible a chance to thrive in loving homes.