

# Copiah Animal Shelter

Care and Shelter for Homeless Animals Since 2011  
Supporting Copiah County, Mississippi and Surrounding Communities

## Spring 2023 Newsletter

Some of the Animals Helped in 2022



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# GALA FUNDRAISER

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The 2022 Disney-themed GALA was so much fun with costumes, décor, and great attendance, we decided to do it again in 2023! Thank you to ALL who participated to help raise funds for animals at CAS! See 2022 GALA photos on the CAS website:

<https://copiahanimalshelter.net/gala-2022>



***SAVE THE DATE!***



**2023 MICKEY GALA**  
**Saturday AUGUST 12**

*We need help with the 2023 “Mickey” GALA!*

Would you like to decorate one or more tables? Do you have movie or character décor to donate or items we could borrow?

We need help with catering, too!

To help or Sponsor Event please text/phone GALA Chairman Laurie Williams at 601-248-5531.

# Copiah Animal Shelter Marks 12<sup>th</sup> Anniversary

In July 2023

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Copiah Animal Shelter has cared for and found homes for **more than 2,400** local area animals since our inception in 2011. Spay/neuter efforts have reduced local homeless pet overpopulation by *thousands* more.



*Your continued support makes this possible.  
Thank you!*

*Fetch CAS ADOPTABLE ANIMALS!*

Website: <https://copiahanimalshelter.net/adopt>

Petfinder: <https://copiahanimalshelter.petfinder.com>



## Northern ADOPTION Partners Increase Number of CAS Animals Helped

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One of the biggest changes to Copiah Animal Shelter's operations starting in 2019 was partnering with several northern guaranteed-home rescue groups as an additional pet ADOPTION channel. This has increased the number of local abandoned and homeless animals CAS is able to get adopted into good homes!

While most of us are not fans of more laws, the nanny state, sometimes that's what it takes to improve a bad situation. Many of the Northern states have tough animal control and spay/neuter laws to decrease the number of perfectly wonderful, adoptable pets that end up euthanized when there are not enough homes. It's working. Some of the Northern shelters and rescues now have room for additional animals and adopters who choose to save the life of a homeless animal in a shelter. In contrast, here in many parts of the South we have an overpopulation of

animals roaming the roads and woods, some with owners, reproducing large litters of puppies and kittens at will. Some animals are truly homeless, suffering, with no consistent food source. Some injured, no medical care. Few or no laws ensuring responsible pet ownership. We are advocates for personal responsibility and promoting the right things to do for pet care.

Part of Copiah Animal Shelter's mission is to reduce the number of homeless animals by reducing pet overpopulation with spay/neuter of Shelter animals. CAS provides medical care to get our animals healthy while we work to find them loving, responsible homes through pet adoption. CAS is a nonprofit, volunteer-led organization. We operate solely on donations and fundraisers.

**DONATE • ADOPT • SPAY/NEUTER • VOLUNTEER  
FOSTER • EDUCATE • ADVOCATE • SHARE**

## 2023 CAS TOMATO POOCH & SUPERFAN

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**The Winner of 2023 CAS TOMATO POOCH PAGEANT is . . . BEAU!**

Beau's owners are Caily Keen and Wyatt Richardson He is sponsored by **Richardson Lawn and Materials** in Crystal Springs.



Beau is a Schnauzer mix, just under three years old, and was found as a stray. *Beau will be crowned alongside the 2023 Tomato Queen at Crystal Springs, MS Tomato Festival the last weekend in June* and begin his reign as Copiah Animal Shelter's Third Tomato Pooch!

We love having a representative for CAS in our community. We hope the presence of the Tomato Pooch will remind everyone how many little animals are still in need of a loving home. (continued)

The **2023 SUPERFAN** Category winner is **TAHOE!** This stray kitty hitched a ride down the highway *underneath* a Chevy Tahoe, straight into her owner's heart, Rebecca C., a long-time CAS volunteer.



Thank you to everyone who entered the Pageant and voted! It's fun getting to know you and your pets through their photos and descriptions.

Entries and voting donations benefit Copiah Animal Shelter.

See all the **2023 Tomato Pooch and Superfan Pageant ENTRIES** here:

<https://gogophotocontest.com/copiahanimalshelter>

Look for current **2022 Tomato Pooch, Tank**, around town. Tank is owned by Tucker Jackson and **sponsored by Delta Lumber** in Crystal Springs. Pooch updates are on the CAS website under **Tomato Pooch** Menu Tab: <https://copiahanimalshelter.net/2023-2022-tomato-pooch>



## OTHER WAYS TO HELP

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- See Pages under the CAS website “Get Involved” Menu Tab for multiple ways you can help the animals.

- CAS needs a “Volunteer Coordinator” – a nonpaid position.

- Check out the **Ways To Help Page** for details:

<https://copiahanimalshelter.net/ways-to-help>

- Host a FACEBOOK FUNDRAISER for Copiah Animal Shelter.

Donations go directly to CAS. Currently NO processing fees.

<https://www.facebook.com/fund/copiahanimalshelter/>

- 2/2023 Amazon *ended* AmazonSmile and Charity List Programs.

- 3/2023: NEW! **CAS Walmart Spark Good Profile Page for Round Up and Gift Registry:**

<https://www.walmart.com/nonprofits/c9dad98f-e671-47c9-8865-1868e04554c6/profile>

“Round Up” your change to the nearest dollar at order checkout on Walmart.com or mobile app (not in the store) for CAS animals!



The image is a composite graphic. On the left, there is a blue circle with a white upward-pointing arrow. Below it is the CAS logo (Copiah Animal Shelter) and the Spark Good logo. At the bottom left, text reads: "Round Up your change to the nearest dollar at checkout at walmart.com or the mobile app and Donate to Copiah Animal Shelter!". On the right, a screenshot of the Walmart mobile app shows the Spark Good interface. The top bar says "Done walmart.com AA". Below that is a search bar and a "How do you want your items?" dropdown set to "39059". The main content area is titled "Spark Good - Giving & impact". It shows "Your contributions" as "\$0.00" with a "Round Up" button. Below that, it says "Your preferred charity" and "You are currently contributing to" with the CAS logo and name "COPIAH COUNTY ANIMAL SHELTER INC." highlighted in yellow.

**To set up:** Under your “Account” look for “Giving and Impact”. Select **Copiah County Animal Shelter, Inc.** as your charity. Currently, each time at checkout, you’ll need to toggle button to opt-in to rounding up. CAS should already be showing as your charity.

## WHERE ARE THEY NOW?

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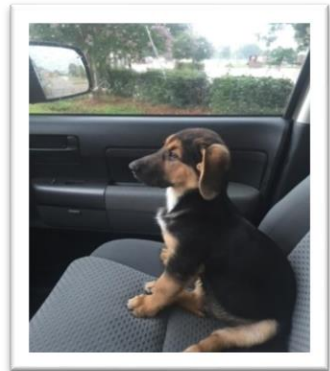
We love to receive “PUPDATES” for our adopted animals!

Copiah Animal Shelter puppy “**BING**” was featured in our Summer 2016 Newsletter, along with his 7 siblings, all given “Hollywood” names. The puppies were found in a box on the roadside, no Mama dog around. Abandoned at only 2 weeks old, several CAS foster families stepped up to bottle-feed the puppies until they were old enough to come into the Shelter to be adopted. Copiah Animal Shelter provided medical care, spay/neuter, age-appropriate vaccinations, etc.



CAS Volunteer Laurie Williams and her Family took several puppies to **Mississippi College for Copiah Animal Shelter’s Pet a Puppy Day**. Created to help relieve student stress before exams, outings like this also provide more socialization for animals and a chance to find a family.

Bing, now named Max, was adopted by the Kackley Family at the MC Event!



< Bing/Max all grown up in 2023! ❤️

*This is what your donations, volunteers, animal caretakers, life-saving fosters, and loving adopters CAN DO!*

# DONATIONS for Copiah Animal Shelter

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See the “DONATE” Page on the CAS website for details on how to make **monetary donations**: <https://copiahanimalshelter.net/donate>

- **ONLINE:** Use debit/credit cards or PayPal.  
A monthly recurring donation option is available, too.  
<https://copiahanimalshelter.net/donate>
- **MAIL:** Please make checks payable to Copiah Animal Shelter and mail to P.O. Box 366, Crystal Springs, MS 39059.
- **IN PERSON:** If no animal managers are in the Shelter building, the veterinary clinic next door, *All About Animals*, can accept checks, debit/credit cards, and provide a cash receipt for Copiah Animal Shelter donations.

Questions? Please email CAS or text/phone.

**Thanks for helping !!**

## **Copiah Animal Shelter**

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Street: 27084 Hwy. 51, Building C, Crystal Springs, MS 39059

On the SE corner of Hwy. 51 at Hwy. 27.

Open Monday-Friday, 9 to 5.

Appointments recommended but not required currently.

Pet Adoption donation fees includes age-appropriate vaccinations at time of adoption and spay/neuter.