



Homeless Pet Placement League

A NON-PROFIT ORGANIZATION DEDICATED TO THE RESCUE AND REHABILITATION OF STRAY AND ABANDONED ANIMALS

October 2008 eNewsletter

HPPL Mission

Dear «First Name»,

We hope that you are well and quickly recovering after the visit of Hurricane Ike. Unfortunately, Ike impeded HPPL activities, keeping us out of our adoption locations and our clinic for 2 weeks. Now, we are working hard to make up for lost time.

The next few months are going to be busy ones for HPPL. We worked all summer to provide medical care and then forever homes for many dogs and cats. You are going to read about a few of our foster animals in this newsletter, but remember there are so many more that you can help by supporting HPPL. Maybe, in the next month, you can spread the word that HPPL and its dogs and cats need you. It may be that you or a friend, family member, or co-worker can step up and volunteer some time, foster a dog from the kennel, or even make a monetary donation. All of this help and support will assist HPPL and make life better for a rescued animal.

Please feel free to take a look at our website <http://www.hppl.org> to find out more about our animals and upcoming events.

Donations

HPPL costs are primarily medical ones and just as your health care costs have increased, so have HPPL costs to provide basic and critical care for the cats and dogs enrolled in our program.

Making a donation to HPPL is easy! You can make a secure donation through PayPal by clicking [here](#) and underwriting a service for an animal. If you are more comfortable making a donation by check, you can send it directly to HPPL at the following address: **P.O. Box 273027, Houston, TX. 77277.**

Remember all amounts matter and all donations are tax deductible!

Your Donations at Work!

Winsome is a prime example of how HPPL uses your donations to treat and rehabilitate animals that might just lose their lives otherwise. When first spotted, this charming and handsome boy was walking around with a dangling leg. A nice lady scooped him up and took him to her vet where the X-rays of that leg showed what looked like the old kids "Pick Up Sticks!" Bones were going in every direction and none of them were connected! This vet believed amputation was the best protocol, so the lady called HPPL for a second opinion. A few days later, Winsome was delivered to our vet, and the surgery to mend the leg was scheduled.

All sorts of reattachments of muscle, and bones straightened and pinned was completed. At least now, all the "Pick Up Sticks" were back in the right places, but Winsome had to stay sedated and immobile for days afterwards. That was hard to do because when he woke up from surgery, he opened his eyes and started purring. Everyone wanted to just hold him and pet him!

In his foster home, Winsome immediately proved that he is a trooper. Each month, Winsome had gone back for a check up but it was not until month four that the doctor pronounced him 90% healed and removed the pin. Winsome will always limp and he will need to be watched so he doesn't try to do anything crazy like jump too high or run too fast, but one thing is now guaranteed; he will never stop purring.

Winsome will be adopted for the same fee as every other HPPL foster animal, but finding that loving forever home for this charming and handsome boy will be PRICELESS!

THANK YOU FOR YOUR DONATIONS!

Volunteer Events



October 19—Bayou City Art Festival

We need your help at the Bayou City Art Festival which takes place in the downtown Houston area, close to City Hall and the Sam Houston Park area. HPPL will staff a beverage booth and benefit by receiving a portion of the beverage sales as well as any tips. To volunteer, email us at IWantToVolunteer@hppl.org.

Fall Auction

This fall, HPPL is planning to conduct an online auction. We need **some very special** donated items to present for bids. Remember the nicer the item, the higher the bid. Contact us at hppl@hppl.org, if you have a unique offering.

December 5—Ten Thousand Villages Shopping Night

You can help HPPL and get some of your Christmas shopping done at this great fair trade store. HPPL benefits by receiving a percentage of the sales. The shop is located at 2424A Rice Blvd.

Also coming in December—HPPL Gift Wrapping at Barnes and Noble & Santa Photos at PetsMart...Stay tuned for details.

Other Ways to Help

Shop at Kroger's for HPPL

The previous Neighbor to Neighbor program has changed so now you need to "reenroll." All you have to do is click [here](#), print the letter from our website and take it to your nearest Kroger's. Hand the letter with the HPPL barcode to the cashier when you checkout. After they have scanned your KrogerPlus Card and this barcode, you will be enrolled for the rest of the year in this donation program. Your shopping helps our animals since we receive a percentage of the purchase costs.

How easy is this! Remember you can pass the word to all your coworkers, friends, family, and neighbors.

Adoption Highlights

Rosemarie

This pretty girl is about three years old and just hates coming to adoption day. As a result, she growls and hisses and then purrs when she is in the car going back to her foster home. She is a cat who wants total and complete adoration from people. Other cats are just not for her! She is perfectly mannered and she will follow you around to let you know how much she likes you. While playtime is fine with her, she would really rather be just a good old fashioned lover girl.



Rosemarie is a 3 year old beautiful female. If you are interested in finding more about her, please call us!

Tina

Tina came to her foster home along with Ike. She was in good condition but had no means of identification. The woman who found her tried all the ways possible to return her to the place she had come from but had no luck. Now, Tina is medically ready for her final forever home. This is one sweet and smart dog. She is only about a year old and so loves to play with other dogs and youngsters. By the way, Tina is now microchipped and wearing a collar and tags!



Tina is about 1 year old and needs a home. Call us to get more details!

For other wonderful dogs and cats needing homes, please call us at **713-862-7387**, or view them on our website at www.hppl.org or go to www.petfinder.com and search for HPPL.



Luckye and Roxie

Happy Endings

Read on to learn about one of our recent success stories!

Luckye and Roxie

Look at these smiling faces (along with mom Marianne). Roxie was adopted first in the spring and then settled in but really missed having a dog companion. In July, Luckye and Roxie had a meet and greet at the adoption site and they hit it off immediately. They went to several play dates at the adoption site and Roxie decided Luckye was the perfect brother for her. What is a really great part of the story is that adoption mom and foster mom stay in touch and take all their dogs to spend afternoons at the dog park. At the end of one of those days, you will see five worn out dogs and two happy people.

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Buttercup - is about 2 years old and as sweet as can be. She loves belly pets and other dogs. Would you like to foster her? Call us at **713-862-7387** and ask to meet her.

eNewsletter Spotlight

In September, Hurricane Ike slowed us down a little. Still, HPPL was able to accomplish the following:

Heartworms Treatments

4 dogs

Spay/Neuter & Vaccinations

24 dogs and cats

Adoptions

6 dogs and cats

[Donate](#) to help us find more forever homes for pets!



Winsome's first night in foster care!

Winsome's Vet Bill

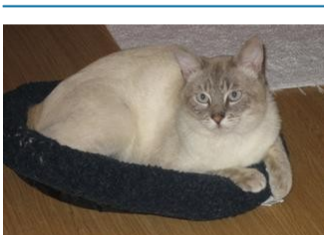
X-rays: \$175

Surgery: \$1,500

Medicines: \$185

Rehab and Boarding: \$140

TOTAL : \$2,000



Winsome today!