

You Healed Penny With Love

The frightened stray came to us with a broken leg and a broken heart. You healed both!

When Penny arrived, she was trembling, frightened, and suffering from a broken leg. While we'll never know all that this tiny dog endured in her young life, we knew she was now safe and loved — thanks to you.

"With care and time we could fix her broken bones," says Dr. Mónica Ramírez, SPCA Shelter Veterinarian. "But it would be much harder to help her overcome whatever someone had done to her to make her so terrified of people."

But we wouldn't give up on Penny — and neither would you! At first, Penny spent her time in a quiet office at the SPCA, getting gentle comfort from Dawn Fenton, SPCA Education and Content Manager, who worked on her laptop on the floor so Penny could feel safe. Soon, a foster family willing to help with Penny's intensive socialization needs opened their hearts and home to the tiny dog.

We wouldn't give up on Penny — and neither would you!

Penny returned to the shelter once a week for bandage changes, and each time we noticed a change in her demeanor. Her



Your donations give pets like Penny a second chance.

shaking slowed and her tail began to wag as she learned to trust the kindness of strangers.

Two months after she arrived, radiographs showed her bones were fully healed. We removed her cast and she returned to spend more time with her beloved fosters to ensure she had full use of her repaired leg.

"It felt great knowing that her foster family cared so deeply for her and was so worried about her," says Dr. Ramírez. "It took the weight off knowing she was in such good hands, as we watched her heal and saw her behavior get better week by week."

Penny was soon adopted into a loving home. Every time you give, you make another story like hers possible. Thank you! 🐾



**ALSO
INSIDE!**

Meet a Poodle named Perry and see his amazing transformation.
Read Happy Tails you made possible!

How You Helped an Orphaned Fawn Grow Healthy and Strong



An orphaned fawn needed emergency care — and friends like you.

This dehydrated, thin, and very hungry orphaned fawn needed emergency care. You, through your generous support, came to his rescue!

Thanks to you, our Wildlife Center team could provide vitamin supplements and fluids and nurse him on a deer-specific formula. Once weaned, he ate leafy greens that he would find in the wild, like blackberry brambles, poison oak and willow. Our team stayed as hands-off as possible to prevent him from habituating to humans.

Our expert team fed him leafy greens like those he'd find in the wild.

After 128 days, he was released back into the wild. We're so grateful for your love that makes our rescues possible! 🐾

Your Support Saves Ray

When a badly injured, homeless cat found himself stuck in a fence, you were there for him!

Thanks to your support, we could rush him into lifesaving surgery to amputate his injured leg.

With compassionate love and tender care, he healed quickly. He was soon adopted by a loving family who named him Dr. Watson Jiggle.

"He is seriously the sweetest," says his adopter Nicole. "All our friends love him and he's so great with our children. He brings so much joy every day."

"His injury could have been the end of his life. But now, thanks to the SPCA, he is such a sweet addition to our lives."

Your love makes these stories possible. Thank you for your kindness!



"I Thought He Was a Different Dog!"

With love and care, you made Perry's total transformation possible.

When Perry, a 9-year-old poodle mix, came to the SPCA, he was suffering from a painful skin infection that caused his hair to fall out and his skin to become red and irritated.

Thanks to you, we knew we could help.

"Perry was suffering from a skin infection that had gotten out of hand," says Dr. Kate Riley, SPCA Medical Director. "With infections like this, it can take six to eight weeks for dogs to feel and look better."

We gave Perry oral antibiotics and antifungals along with gentle medicated baths and lots of love.

Our donors provided everything Perry needed to make a full recovery.

"The medications he needed to recover are more expensive than the routine products we use in the shelter," says Dr. Riley. "Thank you to our donors for giving us access to everything he needed to make a full recovery."

Perry was quiet, still, and stoic when he arrived, rarely moving off his bed or even standing to scratch his painful skin. But as he started to feel better, he became more outgoing.



The Ruff Start program was perfect for Perry. Thank you for giving him the opportunity to heal and thrive.

"Our Ruff Start Program at Salinas Valley State Prison was perfect for Perry," says Dr. Riley. "We could give him the two months he needed to recover with 24-hour attention, companionship, and socialization."

Perry spent his weeks with inmate trainers Ricardo and Leon, who continued his medication and baths and gave him the chance to come out of his shell.

"I relate to the dogs, having a Ruff Start in my life also," says Perry's trainer, Ricardo. "They deserve a second chance just like us humans. I felt good and happy helping Perry, he taught me age don't matter!"

When Perry returned to the shelter, his curly hair and healthy skin surprised Dr. Riley, who didn't recognize him at first. "I thought he was a new white poodle in our shelter!" she exclaimed.

Perry was soon adopted into a loving forever home. Your love makes all the difference for Perry and all the animals who rely on the SPCA. 🐾

Happy Tails You Made Possible!



Bunny the Goat Thanks You

When the SPCA Barn team received an after-hours call about a seriously injured stray goat, we stayed late to help. The tiny goat, who we named Bunny, had three painful claw marks on her neck and two deep punctures. All her wounds were infected and covered in maggots.

We provided pain and anti-inflammatory medication, antibiotics, antiparasitics, and special vitamins to help her heal. Our veterinary team carefully cleaned her infected wounds under anesthesia.

Bunny was a perfect patient for her daily bandage changes. Once she healed, she became best friends with another SPCA goat, Piano. The two friends were adopted together into a loving home.



A Kitten's Love

When Travis adopted a tiny kitten named Spader, he didn't know how much his life would change for the better.

Spader immediately delighted Travis with his playful antics, but soon the family noticed something extraordinary. Spader began working to save Travis' life.

"Travis is deaf and a type 1 diabetic, and Spader has already caught on to his needs," says Travis' mother Kathleen. "He never leaves Travis' side."

Without any training, Spader now wakes Travis when the pump on his insulin sounds an alarm. He also alerts Travis when there are visitors at the door.

"He also does silly stuff to make Travis laugh all day long and he loves to snuggle," says Kathleen. "Thank you so much for putting the happy back in my son with his adopted best buddy, Spader." 🐾



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Dear Friend,

Please pardon our dust! No other four words could be as exciting and meaningful to the animals and our community.

The capital project that we've long envisioned to meet growing needs has become a reality. We're remodeling and modernizing our Education Center, creating a new home for public dog training classes, and adding a special facility for shelter dogs who need months of one-on-one behavior training to recover from neglect, abuse, and severe lack of socialization.

The spaces will accommodate our highly trained Humane Investigations team, our Facilities staff who keep our 218-acre property safe for the animals in our care and Behavior Department staff who've been working out of a modular unit for nearly seven years.

We're so thankful to friends like you who enthusiastically and generously answered our call for support of our lifechanging project. We're eyeing the finish line for our fundraising efforts, while watching buildings take shape.

The Education Center will be renamed the Claire Jacobson Learning Center in honor of our special supporter and former Salinas area school teacher. The home for shelter dogs in need of specialized care will be the Sally Lucas TLC Center. A number of naming opportunities in and around these three buildings are still available. Please contact Kimberly Willison at 831/264-5421 or kwillison@spcamc.org.

With this project, we're being excellent stewards of the incredible property given to the SPCA nearly five decades ago, and making changes that will touch and change countless lives – animals and people – for the next several decades. Thank you for being part of this.

With gratitude,

Scott Delucchi
President and CEO

Many people like to remember the SPCA in their wills, life insurance or retirement plan. Your generous actions today will ensure the rescue, safety and well-being of homeless, neglected and abused animals far into the future.

IMPACT REPORT

How your donations make a difference for pets, people, and wild animals in need

July 1, 2021 - June 30, 2022

2,223

PETS ADOPTED

Cats, dogs, horses, rabbits, barn pets, exotic animals, and more lovingly rehomed



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TURNED AWAY

Thanks to you, we never turned away any pet due to breed, species, age, health, or behavior

2,395

WILDLIFE RESCUED

Your support enabled us to rescue injured, sick, and orphaned wild animals



803

CRUELTY CASES

Our officers worked to stop animal abuse and neglect in Monterey County

2,717

KIDS EDUCATED

Children educated about humane and compassionate treatment of animals and each other



969

PETS SAVED WITH TLC

We mended broken bones and healed broken spirits through our Treatment, Learning & Compassion Program

6,204

SPAY/NEUTERS

Low- and no-cost surgeries in our clinic, our mobile clinic, and with other providers and partners we've funded.



1,603

PETS TRAINED

Pets kept in homes thanks to training classes for all abilities. We also helped 1,036 people with our free behavior helpline!

23,856

POUNDS OF FREE PET FOOD

Your support kept families together with our free Pet Food Bank



710

PETS FOSTERED

Compassionate SPCA fosters raised underage puppies and kittens in loving homes

YOU MAKE THIS POSSIBLE

Your SPCA is not a chapter of any other agency, we don't have a parent organization, and we receive no funding from the ASPCA or HSUS. Everything we do is only made possible by you!