



# Second Chance Animal Rescue

Second Chance Animal Rescue is a nonprofit, 501(c)(3) all-volunteer organization dedicated to rescuing, caring for and placing homeless dogs and cats into forever, loving homes. We educate the public on respect for all animal life, including the importance of spaying and neutering in order to reduce the number of animals euthanized.

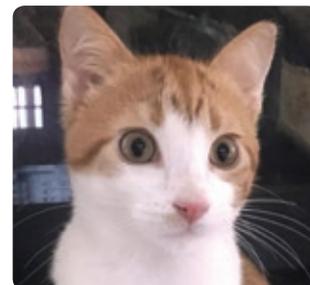
## Piper the Tiny Survivor

Piper is a very lucky kitten. She was found in the middle of a busy road by a kind man who pulled his truck over and scooped up the tiny orange and white 1 lb, 2 ounce kitten. Piper surely would have died. Her eyes were infected, she had round worms, a yeast infection in her ears, an intestinal infection (probably from drinking dirty

water), and she tested positive for FIV. It really was her lucky day because the finder's family is fostering her through all of her little issues, and Second Chance will retest her for FIV when she gets older. There is a good chance she could test negative because kittens can test positive if their mothers are FIV positive. Piper just has to wait another



Before



After

couple months to be retested and then she will be ready to go up for adoption to find her forever home . . . either way

the test goes . . . because FIV positive cats can live long healthy lives. 🐾

## Cully's Journey to Safety

Cully was first spotted last winter living in a culvert on a reservation. It's hard to know how long she had been residing there. The locals would see her when they were driving by and some people would bring her food, finding her to be a friendly and welcoming dog and figuring someone had abandoned her; the locals named her Cully, short for culvert dog. A small restaurant owner would often bring Cully leftovers from the restaurant on her way home from work. It was the end of last April when that heavy blizzard hit and



brought so much snow. The restaurant owner was driving home from work in the blizzard and was going to stop with some food for Cully. She found her at the culvert and went out to give her food, leaving her car door open. We guess Cully knew what a car was because she ran through the snow and jumped into the car, making it clear that she was ready for a better life! The woman could not keep Cully permanently so she reached out to a contact who works with Second Chance and we took her into our program. Cully was a sweet, gentle, loving dog who quickly found a family to call her own. 🐾

*"Animals are the bridge between us and the beauty of all that is natural. They show us what's missing in our lives, and how to love ourselves more completely and unconditionally. They connect us back to who we are, and to the purpose of why we're here."*  
— Trisha McCagh

## Sophie Finally Captured

Sophie had been on the street for months while people in the neighborhood tried to livetrapped her during the coldest MN winter we have had in a while. They finally trapped her and brought her to animal control. Sophie was scared, hungry and her lovely long gold/brown fur was very matted. After her impound holding time was up at animal control, Sophie came into our program. Our vet shaved her down (gave her a lion cut) and provided her other necessary medical care. Sophie went into her foster home and was very scared so she stayed under the bed the first day. After that, she realized she



was safe and warm and came out to cuddle with her foster mom. The foster's 3-year-old granddaughter decided she would take a nap in Sophie's recovery room —Sophie was immediately drawn to her and gave her kisses and slept right on top of her. Sophie was such a sweet and gentle cat and quickly found her new home. 🐾

*"Our task must be to free ourselves... by widening our circle of compassion to embrace all living creatures and the whole of nature and its beauty."*

—Albert Einstein



## Ashton Survives Attack

Ashton, a gray boy who was around 1 year old, was an injured stray whose time was up at animal control. It appeared that some animal had gotten ahold of his backend and clamped down on it. Luckily, Ashton was able to get away but there was quite a bit of damage done that required several stitches. After

recovering at the vet for a few days, it was noticed that the skin around some of the wounds was dead which required another surgery. Finally, Ashton was ready to go into his foster home to recover. He had the most gentle and sweet demeanor even after everything he had gone through. Ashton loved



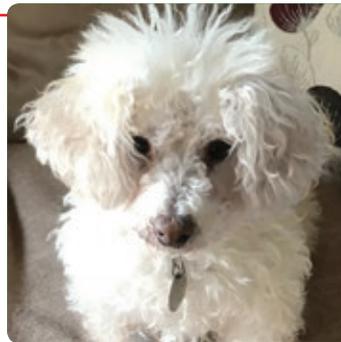
everyone, played with every toy and soon found his forever home. 🐾

*"The soul is the same in all living creatures . . . although the body of each is different." —Hippocrates*

## Mandy Receives Needed Care

Mandy, a white Toy Poodle, came into Second Chance in June from an animal control facility. She was surrendered with nine other small dogs who had all been used for breeding. The owner said they were about 8-10 years old and no longer wanted. All of the dogs were very frightened as they had likely never been out in the world to get any socialization. The impound was full and owner surrender dogs were immediately placed on the euthanasia list. Second Chance took two of the dogs (happily the others were taken in by other rescue groups) and they started on their way to a

new world and life. Mandy was badly matted so first she was treated for fleas, then shaved down and bathed. Bloodwork was done and, except for a high white cell count (most likely from so many rotten and infected teeth), her bloodwork came back normal. Her veterinary exam revealed bilateral mammary masses from having been bred so many times, a severe ear infection in both ears, grade 2 luxating patellas and cataracts in both eyes which caused her to be essentially blind. Next, Mandy underwent surgery – she was spayed, had mammary masses removed, and had a



dental which resulted in 13 extractions. She then went into her foster home to recover. In Sept, Mandy had cataract surgery in both eyes. Finally, Mandy was out of pain and could see again. With a loving foster home, she blossomed into a sweet, affectionate little lap dog. She is still waiting for her forever home. 🐾

## Second Chance Helps Low-Income and More

In 2018, we continued to provide grants to Minnesota Spay Neuter Assistance Program (MN SNAP) to help spay/neuter more animals of low-income people in Minnesota and to help with stray cat and barn cat colonies. And, we sponsored spay/neuter and wellness clinics at Red Lake Rosie's Rescue and Leech Lake Reservation.

We also provided financial assistance to many people whose dog or cat needed veterinary care that the owners could not afford. By helping people with financial assistance, we help their animals so they can stay in their homes and also receive the vet care they need. 🐾



Howie



Miki

## Saving More Dogs' Lives

Second Chance again took in and treated some wonderful heartworm positive dogs from the south — those who people don't adopt due to the cost of treatment. We have taken in 20+ dogs this year who have been successfully treated and have found their forever homes. Here are the faces of a few of them. Thank you to our contributors who make this possible.



Penny



Annie



Madison



Mattie

# Memorials & Honorariums

Donations were made to Second Chance in memory of or in honor of the following human and animal friends:

## In Loving Memory

**Sister Julie Boo** by Barbara Baber  
**Linda Jacobson** by Erin Jordahl  
**Joan Hilton** by David Duling, Laurie Cylkowski  
**Mark Stabenow** by Tim & Linda Conely  
**Arlene Coopman** by Karen & Ben Seppman  
**Josephine Kinney** by Jane Martz  
**Gary Moran & 'Cosmo'** by Stan Marinoff  
**Ken Wright** by Ann Erickson  
**Doug Claggett** by Sharilyn Claggett, Craig Cullen, Diane & Robert Dufresne, Kathleen & Gene Miller, Priscilla Gunderson, Terry Oakes, Leah Abdella, Lynn Olson, Annette Stuhlfaut, Candace Petersen, Nancy Soete, Deborah Huberty, Kelli Orbell, Shelley Hauck, Pamela Sundsmo, Robert Hathaway, Kim Durkee, Becky Drusch Dibble, Yvette DuFresne, Sean Edstrom, Margo Rose, Gregory & Pamela Stene

**Mary Menturweck** by Windy Ridge Riders Horse Club  
**Kay Blekeberg** by the Blekeberg Family  
**Myron Haugen** by Susan & David Sumner  
**Sue & Rand Kluegel's mother** by Jane Martz  
**Alice O'Connor** by Robert Hathaway  
**'Copper'** by Ann & Mark Paparella  
**'Darby'** by Larry & Sue Hibbs  
**'Rasca'** by Anna Ojczyk  
**'Jingle'** by James Mihalek  
**'Sherman' & 'Ellie'** by Carol Horn  
**'Taz'** by Shirley Seubert & Family  
**'Daisy'** by Alana Willroth  
**'Maggi'** by Kate Mura & James Neher  
**'Rocky' & 'Theodore'** by John & Kathy Kincaid  
**'Gladys'** by Nancy Powers  
**'Lucy'** by John Westerman & Sue Gustad  
**'Shelby' & 'Luke'** by Mary Beth & Joseph Judkins  
**'Dexter'** by Daniel Walker  
**'Chase' Stumm** by Lisa Richardson

**'Madison'** by Lisa Richardson, Chris & Sarah Gauron  
**'Jake' Christianson** by Sara Hartzheim  
**'Zoe' Armstrong** by Mary Gentry-Bartko  
**'Billy'** by Gail Stremel  
**'Chelsea'** by Mike & Marilyn Agin  
**'Riley'** by Patrice Nordstrom  
**'Thor' Haugen** by Nancy Haugen, Pat & Paul Gust, Linda & Tim Conely, Susan & Dave Sumner  
**'Oliver'** by Mary Erpelding, Peg Erpelding  
**'Rodeo' Tighe** by Gail Stremel  
**'Sadie' Minor** by Jane Martz  
**'Annie'** by Anna & Michael Howitz  
**'Bicko', 'Sammy' & 'Baby'** by Michelle Basham  
**'Hazel' Fuller** by Ann Herrmann  
**'Moose'** by Tom Plunkett  
**'Josie' Brey** by Gail Stremel  
**'Goldie' Haugen** by Irmay Haugen, Carol Stabenow, Patricia Gust, Nancy Haugen, Wayne & Shawn Spidahl, Susan & Dave Sumner

**'Buddy' Stabenow** by Carol Stabenow, Susan & David Sumner  
**'Toby' Spalding Kofuji** by Gail & Chris Frethem  
**'Belle'** by James Mihalek  
**'Miles'** by Ann & Jim Gosack  
**'Bella' Mathison** by Donna Westerling  
**'Cassius' Wattles** by Donna Westerling  
**'Stella' Erpelding/Stoecker** by Peg Erpelding, Martha Erpelding  
**'Sophie' Nyquist** by Donna Westerling  
**'Izzy' Glasbrenner** by Nancy Minion

## In Honor Of

**Ann Hagestad** by Ray Rasmussen  
**Irmay Haugen & 'Goldie'** by Carol Stabenow  
**Gail Stremel** by Judy Reuss  
**Peg Erpelding for Christmas** by Martha Erpelding, Amy Stoecker  
**Carolyn Fletcher** by Judith Fletcher  
**Ashlee Olds** by Gail Stremel  
**Allison Tighe** by Gail Stremel  
**Gail Stremel** by Don Gemberling, Samantha Gemberling, Jane Kotewa  
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**Carol Stabenow & Family** by Paul & Patricia Gust  
**Nancy Haugen & Family** by Paul & Patricia Gust  
**Carol, Matt & Nate Stabenow** by Paul & Patricia Gust  
**Chris Bodell** by Paul & Patricia Gust  
**Claude Benavides & Dace Trenc** by Don Gemberling  
**Dick & Jane Kotewa** by Don Gemberling

**Nancy Haugen & 'Thor'** by Susan & David Sumner  
**Chris Bodell & 'Jade'** by Susan & David Sumner  
**Jesse & Jena Bodell & 'Jayda' & 'Bear'** by Susan & David Sumner  
**Mary Lou Rasmussen** by Ann Hagestad  
**Mary Minion** by Jill Rudnitski  
**Nancy Minion** by Earl & Margie VanBerkom  
**Lynda Ahlgren** by Earl & Margie VanBerkom  
**Second Chance volunteers** by Earl & Margie VanBerkom  
**Anoushka Balaji** by Subramanian Balaji  
**Bonnie** by Judith Fletcher  
**Katina Peterson** by Michael Haase  
**Gail Stremel's birthday** by Dace Trenc & Claude Benavides, Sharon Lovo, Jane Kotewa  
**Don Gemberling's birthday** by Jane Kotewa, Dace Trenc & Claude Benavides  
**Peg Erpelding's birthday** by Martha Erpelding, Amy Stoecker, Mary Erpelding

**Gail Stremel** by Bob & Judy Reuss, Illie Young  
**Gary Johnson's birthday** by Vicky Rehak  
**Lynda Ahlgren** by Carol Stabenow  
**Nancy Minion** by Carol Stabenow  
**Second Chance volunteers** by Carol Stabenow  
**Myron & Irmay's 70<sup>th</sup> anniversary** by Nancy Haugen  
**'Jack'** by Brian Sundstrom & Judy Olausen  
**'Teddy'** by Elizabeth Stockton  
**'Thor' Haugen** by Carol Stabenow, Paul & Patricia Gust  
**'Charlie'** by Debi Drake  
**'Buddy' & 'Max' Stabenow** by Paul & Patricia Gust  
**'Jesse', 'Jena' & 'Jayda' Bodell** by Paul & Patricia Gust  
**'Jade' Bodell & her 2 kittens** by Paul & Patricia Gust  
**'Bear' Bodell** by Paul & Patricia Gust  
**'Max' Stabenow** by Irmay Haugen  
**'Thor' Haugen** by Irmay Haugen

## Second Chance is in need of:

- Foster care volunteers
- Gift cards for Petco, Petsmart, Target, Office Max/Depot, Fleet Farm, Chuck & Don's
- Gas cards
- Copy paper
- Dog and cat treats (American made)
- Dog rawhides (American made), knuckle bones, Kongs
- Dog nylon buckle collars and strong clasp collars 8"-16"
- Monetary donations

**'Gemma' & 'Oliver' Gust** by Irmay Haugen  
**'Zoey'** by Judith Johannessen  
**'Buck'** by John & Kathy Kincaid  
**'Ben' & 'Heidi'** by Erin Jordahl  
**'Mason'** by Emily Seddon  
**'Buddy'** by Doris & Clarence Williams  
**'Cubby' & 'Gus'** by Catherine Watson  
**'Madison' & 'Crosby'** by Earl & Margie VanBerkom  
**'Mabel'** by Lawrence Peterson  
**'Sterling'** by Del Erickson  
**'Goldie'** by Karen & Ben Seppman  
**'Hannah'** by Bobbie Rudnick  
**'Mabel'** by Lawrence Peterson  
**'Trixie', 'Phoebe' & 'Little Bear'** by Patti Fastner



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## Fostering Saves Lives

Are you on the fence about fostering? “I would rather cry watching them leave our home to live a life of happiness and joy in a loving home rather than cry because no one stepped up to help them and they died alone, frightened and sad in a shelter.” Fostering Saves Lives.

Second Chance provides training and the supplies you need to care for your foster dog or cat. The animals will be vetted prior to you taking them into your home. Please call us if you are interested in helping us save more lives.

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## A Big Thank You To:

- Our **adopters** who saved a life!
- All of our **contributors**
- All of our **volunteers** who foster, transport, solicit supplies, work at events, and more
- The **veterinarians** who work with our program: Forest Lake Veterinary Hospital, Hudson Road Animal Hospital, Life Care Animal Hospital, Mendakota Animal Hospital, Oak Grove Animal Hospital, Parkview Cat Clinic, Skadron Animal Hospital
- The **First Impression Group** for generously donating the printing of our newsletter
- The **impound facilities** that allow us to rescue animals who otherwise would be euthanized
- **Petco** for donations and hosting our monthly adoption events
- **Shakopee Mdewakanton Sioux Community** for the generous donation for Adopt-A-Cat Month
- **Target** and **Science Diet** for food and supplies
  - All the adults, children, groups and businesses that have made dog and cat toys and beds, raised money for the animals, and held food drives

### Dog and Cat Meet & Greet

Go to our website under the ‘Events’ tab for the dates and location of our adoption/meet & greet days.

View animals available for adoption at:  
[www.secondchancerescue.org](http://www.secondchancerescue.org)



Become a "FAN" of Second Chance Animal Rescue on Facebook

*Planning on Moving? Please send us a note with your new address so we can update our records.*

### Employer Giving Campaigns

Did you know that you can designate Second Chance Animal Rescue as a recipient of your donations if your employer has a giving campaign? Just write in “Second Chance Animal Rescue” along with our address “P.O. Box 10533, White Bear Lake, MN 55110” as a designated organization, and your payroll deductions will come to us through that foundation. The majority of the foundations have places to write in your preferred nonprofit.

### Matching Gifts

If your employer has a matching gift program, you can designate Second Chance as the recipient if you make a donation (either monetary or hours of service) and they will match it.

### Amazon Smile

Shop at [www.smile.amazon.com](http://www.smile.amazon.com) and Amazon will donate a percentage of your purchase to Second Chance! Be sure to select Second Chance Animal Rescue, White Bear Lake, as the nonprofit.

**Thanks for considering Second Chance**