

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.

A Heartfelt Thank You to our Donors

We want to thank our donors for their generosity! You have allowed Second Chance to rescue some of the most desperate, urgent and expensive medical cases this year. You have helped save these animals and make them whole again. Below are just a few of the dogs that ended up in various animal control facilities and were listed as "urgent-rescue only" due to being sick, injured or hit by cars. No one came to claim them. These animals can't linger in the facilities untreated because they may die or their broken bones will begin to heal wrong which would lead to lifelong pain and suffering.



Troy is a 4 year old Blue Heeler mix who was picked up as a stray with an old injury, a serious lateral luxation of his front right elbow and he was

non-weight bearing on that leg. He had been in pain for a long time and so much arthritis and scar tissue had formed in and around the injury that it could not be repaired so the leg had to be amputated.

Joey is a Yorkie mix who was hit by a car and brought to animal control with injuries to both rear legs and a seriously luxated left hip. He was not able to put weight on his hind



legs. We had Joey transferred to a vet hospital and x-rays showed his rear legs were injured but not broken. He had orthopedic surgery to put his hip back in place.

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Tiny Rose Survived Being Hit by a Car

Rose was a 12 week old dilute calico kitten who was hit by a car. Some good samaritans who saw her get hit called animal control who then took her to a vet and back to animal control hoping a rescue could help her. Animal control reached out to their rescue partners

and Second Chance stepped up to get her the expensive veterinary care she needed. The only reason we could take Rose into our program was because of our amazing fosters who agreed to do whatever Rose needed to recover. She went straight from



animal control to an emergency vet who got her stabilized, took x-rays and contacted us with the bad news. Rose's right hind femur was broken and required surgery; she had multiple pelvic fractures which would

require her to keep quiet in a large kennel in the hope that those would heal; and her left hip was broken. This tiny kitten was a fighter and wanted to live. Not only was she a fighter but she was the sweetest kitten who didn't stop cuddling and purring. Her



leg required three pins, her hip required an FHO surgery and the pelvic fractures needed to heal along with the other broken bones. (An FHO surgery is a femoral head ostectomy which is a surgical procedure that aims to restore pain-free mobility to a damaged hip by

removing the head and neck of the femur.)

The fosters and Rose were troopers and made it through the most difficult first six weeks of recovery. After that, Rose was allowed 5 minutes out of the cage daily for exercise, then 10 minutes the following week. Imagine how hard it is to keep an active kitten from running and jumping when she is out of the cage. Six weeks after the surgery, Rose had her follow up

x-rays, and everyone was thrilled that her bones had healed and she could start spending



more time outside of the cage playing like a kitten and start building up her muscles.

The Effects of the Covid Pandemic are Long Lasting for Animals

The year 2021 continued to be difficult for Second Chance. It was difficult to get our rescued animals in to veterinary clinics because of the long-lasting effects and extra demands that Covid-19 has put on them. Because of this, the animals wait in their foster homes longer for spaying or neutering, dentals, and various other surgeries and procedures. And as a result, we have been

unable to take in as many animals as in previous years. We understand how hard this is on the veterinarians and staff and we appreciate all of their hard work as they try to get back to normal. We continue to follow our careful health practices when showing and adopting out animals and continue to find loving, forever homes for them.

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Ralphie is a Bichon mix who was surrendered to animal control because he tested positive for parvo virus, a highly contagious virus affecting



the gastrointestinal system, often deadly. Animal control needed a rescue to get him out asap for his sake and to not risk spread of the disease. We got Ralphie transferred out to a specialty hospital where he was given the standard protocol treatment and observation.



Gigi is a Doxi/Pug who was hit by a car and brought to animal control with injuries to her right side. The vet hospital we had her

transferred to took x-rays which revealed a broken upper right pelvis, involving the right acetabulum (hip joint). Gigi underwent an FHO surgery (femoral head and neck ostectomy) and needed extended cage rest for her pelvis to heal.

Candy is a 7 year old mini Dachshund who was surrendered to animal control due to failing



health of her owner. Candy was listed as urgent due to the condition of her teeth. All of her teeth were rotten and many were infected. Imagine the pain she was in. She was missing 11 teeth which likely fell out due to decay. She was started on antibiotics and two weeks later all 29 of her remaining teeth needed to be extracted. Her foster said she could tell Candy felt better right away and the awful smell in her mouth was gone.



Mickey is an 8 year old Standard Schnauzer mix who was picked up as a stray and brought to animal control. Mickey had an old injury that had not

been fixed. He had a severe dislocation of his left taurus accompanied by a raging infection in the same leg. Too much damage had been done over time and his leg could not be repaired so he unfortunately needed an amputation.

Jenna is a Corgi/ Shepherd who was found injured, presumed to have been hit by a car, and was brought to animal control. She could not



stand at all. We had her transferred to an animal hospital where many x-rays were taken. Both the ulna and radius bones were broken in her left front leg. Jenna's other legs were injured but not broken. Orthopedic surgery was performed to repair both broken leg bones and a plate was inserted in her left leg.



Pretty Girl is a Chihuahua mix who was brought to animal control after being hit by a car. X-rays showed a fractured left rear femur and a severely luxated left

femoral head (hip joint) along with some pelvic injuries. Orthopedic surgery was performed, a plate inserted in her left leg and an FHO was done on her left hip.

Second Chance Helps Low-Income and More

In 2021, we continued to provide grants to Minnesota Spay Neuter Assistance Program (MN SNAP) to help spay/neuter more animals of low-income residents in Minnesota and to help with stray cat colonies and barn cats. And, we sponsored spay/neuter and wellness clinics for Red Lake Rosie's Rescue and for Leech Lake Reservation.

We also provided more financial assistance through our Community Outreach Program to people whose dog or cat needed veterinary care that the owners could not afford. More and more people are having financial difficulties since the pandemic. By helping people financially, we help their animals stay in their homes and receive the veterinary care they need.

"An animal's eyes have the power to speak a great language."

— Martin Buber

Second Chance is in need of:

- Foster care volunteers
- Gift cards for Petco, Petsmart, Target, Office Depot, Fleet Farm, Chuck & Don's
- Gas gift cards
- · Copy paper
- · Cat treats

- Dog treats (American made)
- Dog rawhides (American made)
- Kongs
- Small dog collars
- Monetary donations

Brothers are Live Trapped and Saved



Nicholas, a medium hair orange and white kitten, came into our program as an injured stray. He and his brother (who we named Thomas) were living outside

trying to survive. Some kind people live trapped them both and knew Nicholas had a badly injured hind leg. He was brought to a veterinarian who took x-rays, and they determined that an orthopedic specialist should operate. Nicholas had two pins put in the right hind leg that helped the

broken bone heal. He recovered very well because of the wonderful care his foster mom gave him and the necessary cage rest (which is hard for a little kitten whose

brother didn't need to be quiet or caged). These boys are sweet, affectionate and playful kittens who got their Second Chance at life. Whether stray cats and kittens are shy, antisocial or injured.



we rehabilitate them and find them their forever homes.

Memorials & Honorariums 2021
Donations were made to Second Chance in memory of or in honor of the following human and animal friends:

In Loving Memory of

Mary Lou Moran by Mary Moran

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'Rodman' by Patty Carlin

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'Lily' Secord Coyne by Gail Stremel

> "Animal lovers are a special breed of humans, generous of spirit, full of empathy, perhaps a little prone to sentimentality, and with hearts as big as a cloudless sky."

> > John Grogan

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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."

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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.

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, South Shore 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
- Target for food and supplies and a local pet food warehouse for Science Diet and Nutro food
- 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
- Max & Neo for dog collars and leashes

Dogs and Cats Available for Adoption

Go to our website under the "Pet List" tab to view our animals available for adoption. And, to see some of our animals who have found their forever homes, click on the "Happy Endings" tab.

www.secondchancerescue.org



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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 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