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To protect and improve the lives of dogs and cats by providing shelter, care, adoption, rescue, spay/neuter programs, and community education.

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Injured Kitten Receives Laser Therapy

This tiny 3-month-old kitten, Frogger, came to the SAHS after he was accidentally bumped by a car. After examining this adorable little guy, our vets found that he surprisingly ended up mostly injury-free besides some scraped paws.

With some extra love and care in our Leeu Naylor Medical Building, including laser therapy and healing ointment for his paws, Frogger made a speedy recovery. He is now the happiest cat napping and playing with toys in his forever home!



From Our President/CEO

Hello Friends,

Summer is the season of fun and that means barbecuing, trips to the beach, enjoying a raspa (or two!), but for many homeless cats and dogs, it's not so much fun. As temperatures rise, the SAHS prepares itself for increasing numbers of pets brought to our shelter suffering from dehydration and overheating, heartworm disease, and parasite infestations.

Your kindness and generosity ensure that we can help meet the sometimes overwhelming demands for providing shelter, medical treatments, foster care, and adoption services to so many pets. With amazing donors like YOU, we know that we are able to provide the best possible care. Thank you for all your support.

Supporting our community's pets is more important than ever, and we can't do it without your help! Stay updated and follow us on social media, join us for an event, become a volunteer, or foster a pet in need - your support is always appreciated.

For the pets,

Nancy F. May,
President/CEO



BEFORE & AFTER



Malnourished Twin Pit Bulls Make Triumphant Transformation

We first met Adonis and Aphrodite last December when they were brought to the San Antonio Humane Society (SAHS) as a transfer from Animal Care Services. Both came in weighing only 25 pounds, about 30 pounds less than a healthy dog their age and size should be, with protruding ribs, hips and spines.

“They were showing signs of extreme malnutrition and starvation, to the point where Adonis could barely sit up or walk,” says SAHS Chief Veterinarian Dr. Kristine Hawkins. “They received supplemental fluids and supportive acupuncture to help them maintain their hydration and well-being.”

Despite surviving a heartbreaking life of abuse and neglect, their tails were still wagging and showed affection to everyone who stepped in to help them. They knew they had received a second chance at life.

After receiving a warm bath and cozy blankets, they were slowly reintroduced to food with a strict refeeding plan,

consisting of four small meals a day, to help them get to their healthy weight goal.

“This was important to prevent shock to their systems, which could include vomiting, diarrhea, and even organ failure,” explains Dr. Hawkins.

After six weeks of receiving around-the-clock care and endless love, Adonis and Aphrodite made a triumphant recovery and met their healthy weight goal — over 50 pounds!

When this story went to print, Adonis and Aphrodite had filled out their coats and even showed new colors. Both were extremely beloved and brought smiles to everyone as they frolicked through the halls and play yards.

“We cannot wait for them to find the perfect home where they will never have to be hungry or want for anything again,” concludes Dr. Hawkins. We are happy to share that both Adonis and Aphrodite have recently found their forever homes.

This couple has been pampered by the medical staff and volunteers, and their journey has been nothing short of miraculous. They have gone from depressed and lethargic to bounding with energy!

Celebrating Twenty Years of Fiesta Tradition



The 2022 ERF Royal Court receiving their official Grr-robes. Canine royalty, from L to R: Rusty (El Rey Fido XX), Spanky (Knight of the Royal Court), Chula (Duchess of the Fire Hydrant), Zora (Princess of the Food Bowl), and Sterling (Duke of the Chew Toy).

The 2022 El Rey Fido Royal Court has arrived!

It was Friday, March 4th and the royal court had officially been announced. After months of fundraising, the amazing contestants raised crucial funds for the SAHS's shelter pets, and with the sponsorships from VCA Animal Hospitals and Cavender Auto Group, the event was a huge success!

This year's El Rey Fido XX is Rusty, followed by Zora (Princess of the Food Bowl), Sterling (Duke of the Chew Toy), Chula (Duchess of the Fire Hydrant), and Spanky (Knight of

the Royal Court). On April 2nd at Hops & Hounds, venue sponsor, during the El Rey Fido XX Coronation, an official Fiesta event, Rusty received his crown in addition to the rest of the royal court receiving their official grr-robes! We wouldn't be able to do this lifesaving work without the support of the San Antonio community and we're so thankful.

Our El Rey Fido XXI competition is fast approaching, and we'd love to have you and your dog sign up to become a fundraiser! Learn more at SAhumane.org/ERF.



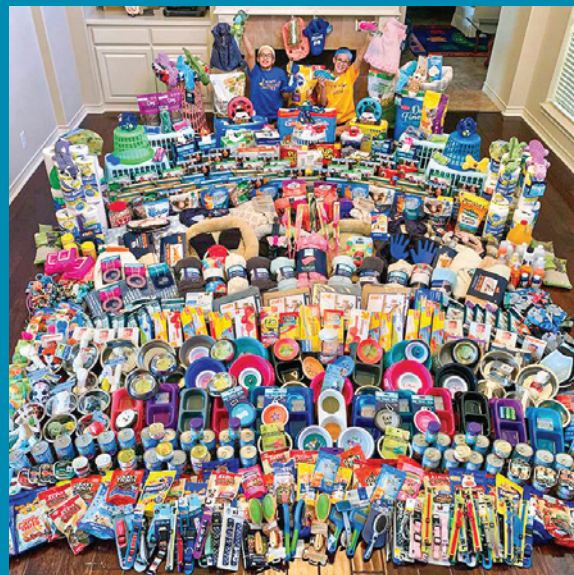
El Rey Fido XX, Rusty, with his royal crown.

Sisters Celebrating a Birthday by Giving Back

For the last six years, twins Jadyn and Justyce have found an amazing way to give back to the SAHS. The girls ask for donations to benefit pets at the shelter instead of receiving presents on their birthday — a tradition that began when they were five years old.

As the twins have grown over the years, so have the size of their donations. This year, Jadyn and Justyce brought in their largest load of donations yet! These included items such as treats, pet beds, blankets, toys, towels, and much more. Essential items like these go a long way in assisting SAHS staff to provide care and comfort to the pets awaiting their forever homes.

We cannot thank Jadyn and Justyce enough for their generosity!



Jadyn and Justyce with donations from their birthday fundraiser.