#### SAN ANTONIO HUMANE SOCIETY

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#### **OUR MISSION**

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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## Volunteer Service Awards 2021

The SAHS would like to recognize Toni, Paloma, Stacy, John, Greg, Sonja, Joy, Melinda, Eliana, Cindy, Caitlin, Michelle, Elsa, Deborah K., Deborah B., Karen, William, Anna Marie, Martha, Connie, Mike, Karoline, Kate, and Linda, recipients of the President's Volunteer Service Award honoring individuals demonstrating a sustained commitment to volunteer service over 12 months.



We would also like to congratulate **Diane and Barbara**, recipients of the President's Lifetime Achievement

Award honoring those who contribute more than 4,000 hours in their lifetime.

## From Our President/CEO

Hello Friends,

We are thrilled to celebrate 70 years of serving Bexar County and surrounding areas in 2022! The SAHS continues making strides towards ending pet overpopulation and working to create a community where every animal is treated with respect, compassion, and has a loving home.

In 2021, we met the challenge of rescuing over 150 dogs and cats from the path of Hurricane Ida and celebrated the 1-year anniversary of the Leeu Naylor Medical Building, where thousands of pets have received lifesaving medical treatments — like Jazzy!

Sweet Jazzy was having trouble breathing when brought in, and after further evaluation, our medical team found a tear in her abdomen. Surgical staff prepped Jazzy for surgery and successfully repaired the damage inside her stomach. Jazzy really is a miracle kitten surviving injury and complications and coming out on the other side.

None of this would have been possible without the support of donors like YOU. Your dedication to our shelter is nothing short of amazing.

For the pets,

Tajacy Z. May

Nancy F. May, President/CEO

Jazzy post surgery and feeling much better



Denali Before

Denali After

## Neglected Puppy Found With No Fur Makes Remarkable Recovery

At just 6 months old, Denali was found with a severe case of sarcoptic mange before arriving at the San Antonio Humane Society (SAHS).

Our medical team kept her warm and comfortable as they quickly began treatment to get rid of the mite infestation and itchiness all over her tiny pink-skinned body.

"She was nearly bald and covered in scabs due to her mange," SAHS Associate Veterinarian Dr. Leslie Hopes said. "She was provided a little sweater to keep her warm and lots of towels and blankets to snuggle."

Thanks to our Leeu Naylor Medical Building, we are now able to take in special medical cases like Denali. Our dermatology ward allows us to keep pets with contagious diseases, like sarcoptic mange or ringworm, secluded until they are ready for adoption.

After several weeks of care and lots of TLC, Denali made a full recovery. She slowly gained weight, her fur grew back,

and the mange left her body. She was finally a playful puppy full of energy!

Her story gained national media attention, including an article in People Magazine. A couple in California read that article and instantly fell in love with Denali. They decided to fly out to San Antonio and adopt her. It was a perfect match! When they met, it was as if Denali already knew they were her new family and greeted them with kisses! The couple was overjoyed with excitement to give her the loving home she deserved. Denali is now living her best life in California filled with hiking adventures, doggy play dates, and her favorite — early morning snuggles!

"She's adorable and loving life," Denali's parents said. "It's so awesome to know that the SAHS was able to give her a second chance. We are so grateful to have found her."

## Paws & Pals: Shelter Soiree Success



It was almost one year ago when the San Antonio Humane Society (SAHS) opened its doors to the new state-of-theart medical building, and on October 26, 2021, we hosted our annual fundraising event to celebrate in a big way.

The evening began with a reception for donors who supported the construction of the Leeu Naylor Medical Building. During behind-the-scenes tours given to sponsors and guests, which highlighted expanded surgery suites, new rehabilitation equipment, and other shelter services, everyone witnessed King Antonio XCVIII, Phillip Peacock Bakke, crowning Leeu Naylor, El Rey Fido XIX



the lifesaving work at the SAHS that would not be possible without the generosity of our amazing donors and sponsors.

In addition to seeing all the services at the SAHS, guests got to experience a little bit of Fiesta during our 2020 & 2021 El Rey Fido Coronation, an official Fiesta event! So many of our Fiesta friends, like Rey Feo LXXIII and King Antonio XCVIII, helped with crowning our top fundraising pooches who were truly regal in royal attire. Interested in having your pup compete for the title in 2022? Visit SAhumane.org/ERF!

### Camp Humane Returns to SAHS

The SAHS reinstated its popular Camp Humane program after a hiatus in 2020. The SAHS temporarily suspended its original program as a result of the COVID-19 pandemic.

To ensure camper safety, the SAHS implemented a new two-day "mini" version of the program with reduced group sizes. These mini sessions allowed us to maximize the number of campers while also reducing the risk of transmission and allowing breaks for the disinfection of materials and facilities. Mini Camp Humane was able to reach campers of all grade levels and offered a variety of themes, including animal training, career exploration, and service work.

The SAHS received rave reviews for the program, with one camper calling it, "...better than Disney World." Camp Humane will return for summer 2022.

If you are interested in learning more about Camp Humane, please reach out to education@SAhumane.org.





Our campers visiting with dogs