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SAHS Helps Kitten Found Under Car Hood



San Antonio, TX (May 20, 2014) – On Monday, May 19, Checkers, a 1 month old kitten was brought to the SAHS after being found under a car hood. She was meowing excessively as the car was moving and the owners of the vehicle heard her but couldn't quite figure out where the kitten was hiding until they stopped and checked under the hood and searched under the vehicle. As they suspected, there was Checkers near the engine, scared and dehydrated. As soon as they picked her up, they discovered noticeable burns on her paw pads and after being brought into the SAHS, Checkers was quickly aided by our staff. She also received fluids for dehydration and was put on antibiotics for an upper respiratory illness. Checkers will be going into a foster home very soon until she is ready for adoption.

As many cats and kittens are, it is likely that Checkers was curious and simply crawled into the car to explore, hide or maybe keep warm from the chilly evening weather. Nonetheless, it is extremely important to remember to check under the hood of your car for this exact reason. It is assumed that this issue is more prevalent during the colder months, however, as Checkers

modeled, this can happen during the hotter months as well.

At the SAHS, we make every effort to find the best home for the pets in our care. Sadly, many of the dogs and cats that come to us have been abused, neglected, injured or have chronic illnesses. These injured or ill animals are treated based on the funds available at the time of intake or illness. Through the [Michaels Medical Rescue Fund](#), individuals can choose to make a contribution to a special needs animal. This will decrease the costs associated with the provision of necessary medical care they need and deserve. Once these animals are healthy, they will then be available to the public for adoption. We truly appreciate any contribution offered.

For more information regarding our Foster Program, visit SAhumane.org/foster.

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SAHS Info: The San Antonio Humane Society is a non-profit, no-kill organization that has served Bexar County and its surrounding areas since 1952. We are not affiliated with the Humane Society of the United States or the ASPCA. Every year, the San Antonio Humane Society shelters, medically treats, and rehabilitates approximately 5,000 animals that have been injured,



abused, or abandoned until they are ready for adoption. Our mission is to protect and improve the lives of dogs and cats by providing shelter, care, adoption, rescue, spay and neuter programs, and community education.