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Roger was so happy when we brought Neily home again and they quickly became a part of our family.

After I graduated from the police academy and began working in the field, I became exposed to some of the stressors of law enforcement. After a long day, I noticed that Neily would jump up on the couch next to me and would just lean in for snuggles. Having him near me would help to relieve some of that stress that I was feeling.

I realized then, that Neily had a purpose and could help make a positive impact in other people's lives. A lot like my work as a Police Officer. I found PAWS For Service online and after weeks of training, Neily graduated and we were certified as a Therapy Team.

Through PAWS for Service, Neily makes visits to Assisted Living Facilities. Recently, we've started visiting other officers and employees at SAPD, along with our Wellness Unit, to help spread happiness within our department.

Neily is amazing as a Therapy Dog. He's kind, loves meeting new people, and you can just see the empathy in his eyes when he greets you. He definitely lives up to our motto at PAWS of "Spreading Doggie Joy".

Thank you all at SA Humane for your help with Neily becoming a loving member of our family!

I stopped by the other day to drop off some stickers of Neily (formerly named Vision). I adopted him from SA Humane a few years back and wanted to share his backstory with you and provide an update. We're now a Certified Therapy Team with Paws For Service.

Neily showed up at the SAPD Police Academy, as a stray, while I was in training a few years ago. He was a little hesitant to approach, so I started placing food and water out for him. After a few weeks, I worked with Animal Care Services to secure him and we decided to foster.

Neily actually had a friend on the grounds with him, another dog that we named Roger. We secured both dogs over that weekend and fostered both through ACS.

We already had two dogs so we weren't sure if we just wanted to foster at that point or adopt. Neily was eventually adopted from foster and my wife was sad to see him leave, so we decided that we would keep Roger.

A short time later, in December, I just happened to be scrolling through Instagram and there was Neily at SA Humane. His name was Vision at that time. We're not sure how Neily ended up back in a shelter again. But, after reuniting with him a second time, my wife and I decided fate was bringing us back together with him.

