

# AC ARF - Anderson County Animal Rescue Foundation saving lives, serving community

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# Donations "In Memory Of..."

As a special tribute, we have received several donations "In Memory Of" someone special who has passed away. In lieu of flowers, many generous people chose to donate to a cause which they believe will honor their loved one who has passed. We are grateful to receive these honorable donations on behalf of loved ones and dear friends who loved and cherished the animals in their community. We would like to show our respect for those who have passed and those who have donated in their memory.



2021 was a very busy year and we are proud of what we have accomplished! Thanks to supporters and partners over 500 animals **received help they needed and deserved.** This is what you helped make possible. Thank you!

#### For the Love of Pets

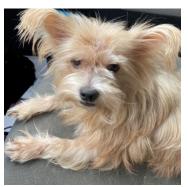


This is AC ARF's signature program that serves low income Anderson County senior citizens with pets. For 2021, in partnership with SARG, we supported over 300 dogs and cats belonging to low income senior citizens in Anderson County through our For the Love of Pets Pantry program. Through this program, we distributed approximately 17,000 lbs of dry pet food in 2021, excluding canned foods and treats also distributed each month. Our pet pantry program has become a staple of our community and is appreciated by so many who just need a little help

to ensure that their loving pets are healthy, happy and at home where they belong! These pets are family to their owners and, for so many, the only family they have.

## Adopt/Rehome/Rescue/Vet Care

We have helped low income families pay for vet care and medical treatment for their pets. In 2021, we paid over \$5700 to help with medical treatment for 52 dogs and cats in our community. Many of these animals would not have survived without our help and the help of Clinton Animal Hospital! In fact, we couldn't do what we



do without the help and support of Clinton Animal Hospital! **Thank you!** We also found new homes for 12 dogs and 14 cats so that they did not have to be surrendered to the shelter.

## Trap/Neuter/Return



We spayed/neutered/vaccinated a total of 161 cats/kittens through our TNR Initiative with SARG. And, as part of this program, we rescued and rehomed 94 kittens/cats! These numbers continue to increase each month, and we appreciate our partnerships with SARG and HSTV to be able to continue our progress to help community cats in our area.

Paws up to our TNR partners and caretakers!

#### **Outreach/Education**

The pandemic in 2021 reduced our ability for outreach last year, but we will make up for it in 2022! There will be lots of educational demonstrations and experiences as part of our April 30 "Paws for a Cause" event at Carden Dog Park in South Clinton! More details to come!

# **COMMUNITY NEEDS - MEDICAL TREATMENTS**

### Several of our low income citizens needed a little help to make sure their pets stayed healthy and at home!



Roxy is a is a sweet little chihuahua belonging to a low income citizen in Anderson County. Roxy gave birth to 3 live puppies and 1 dead puppy, but had another stillborn puppy stuck in her uterus. She was taken to Clinton Animal Hospital where

they safely removed the stillborn puppy, and spayed Roxy so no more worries!

Stella was a very sick stray dog who was dumped in the front yard of a kind soul. She was immediately brought to CAH and was diagnosed with pyrometra



and required emergency surgery to remove her uterus. Since the surgery, she and her new mom are loving their new lease on life!



Lucky was rescued from an abandoned home where he was

living. His rescuer noticed his injured leg so he was taken to Clinton Animal Hospital where he was treated for his injured leg as well as a URI. He was also neutered and vaccinated. He is now living the good life! Way to go Lucky!

# **WAYS YOU CAN HELP**

We realize there are many wonderful organizations asking for financial support, but hope there is room in your heart for the dogs and cats AC ARF helps. These pets need us, and we need you. There are many ways to help.

**Donate Funds** Monetary donations are essential to AC ARF. Donations are tax deductible and every dollar helps make our work possible. Donations can be made on our website or Facebook pages, or a personal check payable to AC ARF can be mailed to PO Box 181, Clinton, TN 37717.

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Loki was a stray cat who unfortunately tested positive for FIV. So, the family who had planned to keep him decided to surrender him to us instead. We had a wonderful foster step up to take care of him until we could find his perfect home. He was neutered, vaccinated and microchipped while waiting on his forever family. It wasn't long before Loki's new family found him! They live in SC and have another cat living with FIV who needed a brother to keep him company! Sometimes, if we have patience, everything works out just like it should! Have a great life Loki!

Smoky is a precious little girl who was attacked by a bigger dog. Her eye popped out of the socket and she couldn't close her eyelid. Fortunately, the vets at Clinton Animal Hospital were able to push the eyeball back into the socket, sewed her eyelid shut for a week and provided antibiotics to treat infection. After a week, the stiches were removed and the eyeball stayed in perfectly! Smoky is doing great now!





Thug's and Spike's mom is disabled with a cognitive brain injury. She was at her wits end as she was not able to control the dogs and, not knowing what to do, was looking to rehome them. We provided neuter and vaccinations and worked with HSTV to provide crates

and dog food so that all dogs could have their own space and food is no longer a worry. Life is much calmer and they are now working on leash training!

We also provided Vet Care for 4 additional dogs (Bella, Dixie, Rex and Fred) and helped to rehome 2 dogs (Jasper and Allie) and 1 cat (Pepper)



We're proud to be an official DDAF grantee!

For 2022, AC ARF will be awarded a \$5000 grant from The Doris Day Animal Foundation for our pet food pantry and vet care program for low-income seniors in our community! Many thanks to all who worked with us to make this grant possible! We're excited for 2022!

The Doris Day Animal Foundation (DDAF) is a national, nonprofit 501(c)(3) Public Charity founded in 1978 as the Doris Day Pet Foundation by legendary performer, Doris Day, with a straightforward mission that continues to this day; to help animal and the people who love them. As a grant-giving charity, DDAF funds other 501(c)(3) organizations across the US that directly care for and protect animals.



April 30, 2022 at CARDEN FARMS DOG PARK in Clinton, TN (10am-3pm)

Come and enjoy local vendors, food trucks, K9 demonstrations, adoptions on site through East TN shelters & rescues and low-cost vaccines and microchips!

Help us raise funds to help our community pets & their people!