

**HELP US
SAVE A LIFE!**





Mission Statement

Paws 4 You Rescue, Inc. is a non-profit, donor subsidized, volunteer 501 (c)3 animal rescue organization based in Miami, Florida. Our top priority is to save animals from euthanasia at Miami-Dade Animal Services. On average one hundred animals are destroyed every day at this county shelter!

Rescued animals vary from being sick, injured, homeless and surrendered to simply lost. We give these animals a safe environment, professional medical care, training, support, hope and lots of love. Our animals are sterilized, vaccinated and ID micro-chipped to prevent future loss. Some require major surgery from a specialist to repair broken limbs while others may need additional rehabilitation time and specific medical care - ranging from respiratory illnesses and skin infections to cherry eyes and heartworm treatments.

Once **Paws 4 You Rescue** commits to helping an animal, we seek the best quality treatment available - taking no shortcuts. Our dogs often stay at veterinary clinics or boarding facilities when foster homes are not available. In order to increase our

animals' visibility, we spend time taking our new friends to different events across South Florida in search of their forever home. Our team is compassionate and passionate in reaching these goals. We are a group of professional people with various backgrounds, who together commit to saving as many animals as possible.

Additionally, we believe in the value of education pertaining to the importance of spaying and neutering. Pet overpopulation is a serious problem in our county and by sterilizing your pet, you help relieve the strain on Miami-Dade Animal Services and our community.

Please support us. We depend on your expertise, time, temporary foster homes and donations to reach our goal of saving these animals.



Please join us every weekend at PetSmart and Petco to get to get to know our organization. Adoptable dogs will be available to walk, brush and play!

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Adopt!



Why adopt? If you have room in your heart and home for a new family member, adopting a rescue makes sense for many reasons. First of all, you will be giving that dog a deserving second chance at life and happiness. Every week, hundreds of wonderful mixed and pure bred dogs are euthanized in Miami-Dade County alone, simply because there are not enough loving homes.

animal, you free up kennel space for another one in need. Number four is remembering that volunteers who spend time around the rescues can help match the perfect dog for your personality and lifestyle.



There are plenty of other great reasons to adopt a rescue. The very best one of all is the unconditional love you will receive from an appreciative and devoted best friend every day!

Secondly, by adopting a rescue rather than buying one from a pet shop or unlicensed breeder, you can help reduce the demand that drives the commercial breeding of dogs. Third reason is that by rescuing an

Current dogs that are up for adoption are listed on our website as well as an adoption application that can be filled out online (or printed and faxed).



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Those who can't adopt, foster!

Foster



A look at how fostering animals can **save lives!**



A foster home serves as a temporary shelter for an animal that is up for adoption until Paws 4 You Rescue can permanently place the animal in another home.

The foster home cares for the rescued animal just as it would any other - ensuring meals, exercise, socialization, training and grooming. The cost involved for fostering an animal is normally limited to food and other essentials with the rescue organization incurring medical costs.

Additionally, since foster families often times spend as much time or more with an animal than Paws 4 You Rescue, they are often called upon to report on the behavioral tendencies and personalities of the pet to potential adopters.

An ideal foster candidate is anyone who is willing to take on the responsibilities of caretaking for an animal for a short period of time. Foster homes will have to be up to the challenge of caring for an animal that is acclimating to a new environment and will need to have patience during the getting-to-know-you period.

A good foster family doesn't necessarily have to be pet-free since most animal lovers have at least one other pet at home. Same as the normal adoption process, Paws 4 You Rescue will work to match rescue animals with a person's lifestyle.

A foster should also be prepared for the potential feeling of sadness when the animal is placed in a forever home. However, it is bittersweet knowing that a life was saved!

Interested foster home participants can contact foster@paws4you.org





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SENIORS 4 SENIORS PROGRAM

Interested in participating in our Seniors 4 Seniors dog adoption program? This Program places senior dogs (typically over 8 years) with qualified senior citizens. Dogs can provide friendship and security for lonely individuals. The opportunity for companionship, care taking and interaction may fill an older person's void if family is not nearby.

Contact Carol, the Program Director, if interested in participating at seniors@paws4you.org



Donate

Paws 4 You Rescue is a volunteer organization that exists based on gifts and contributions from the local community.

As you can imagine, there are many ways to donate and **HELP US SAVE A LIFE!** One way is to give time in the form of volunteering to help walk, run, wash, train and show the dogs. Second is to foster, or sponsor a dog to help alleviate some of the boarding costs. Third is to donate crates, red leashes and collars, Kuranda beds, toys, blankets and treats. Another key way to donate is to sponsor or help organize a fundraising event to not only raise funds and awareness of our group but most

importantly, to educate as many people possible on the reason why an average of one hundred animals are euthanized a day at Miami-Dade Animal Services. Lastly, your financial support is always a great way to help the Rescue defray medical costs.

If you would like to contribute to the ongoing efforts of Paws 4 You Rescue, please visit the Donate page within www.paws4you.org. With your donations as well as the adoption fees, we are able to continue to give as many dogs as possible a second chance at life.



Volunteers are the heart of Paws 4 You Rescue as everyone who serves in the organization is a volunteer.

Volunteer



Volunteers have their choice of various activities in which to participate - being part of the adoption team during the weekends at PetSmart or Petco, getting bubbly with dogs at bath time, fostering puppies and dogs during the week, participating in special events throughout the year, and sponsoring or taking part in fundraising activities such as our Annual Putt 4 Paws Golf Tournament, Casino Night and Pawtini Pawty.

Volunteering with an animal rescue organization is a gratifying experience that is difficult to match! It warms our hearts to see homeless and neglected pets become beloved members of families. We know that the dogs appreciate their new homes. Letters, emails, visits and phone calls from adoptive families are constant reminders of the good will spread by pet rescue groups such as **Paws 4 You Rescue.**

If you are interested in volunteering, please contact chris@paws4you.org for additional information or visit the Volunteer page on www.paws4you.org



Please visit our website for more information on our weekly adoption events at PetSmart & Petco and our monthly events at PetSupermarket.