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*Animal Friends Alliance is a 501(c)3 nonprofit, rescuing cats and dogs throughout the U.S., and bringing families together in Northern Colorado - and helping keep them together!*



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## PUPPINS' POWERFUL JOURNEY TO ADOPTION

At Animal Friends Alliance, our mission is to provide love, care, and support to animals in need. Now and then, we come across heartwarming stories that truly exemplify the power of compassion, collaboration, and dedication. One such story revolves around Puppins, a puppy who, thanks to the efforts of our dedicated BizPAW (Business Partner in Animal Welfare) Autumn Parry Photography, found his way to a brighter future.

We featured this adorable puppy in September, but he's had

some big changes since then.

Puppins' journey began in Arizona, where he was found by Autumn in a pitiful state - covered in ticks and severely dehydrated. Autumn and her husband came to his rescue and reached out to the Alliance for help. They fostered Puppins, nursing him back to health and providing him with a safe and loving environment.

After weeks of tender care and nurturing, Puppins was ready for the next chapter of his story, his adoption day. Autumn's connection with him had grown so strong that she decided to make him a part of her family.



**See PUPPINS Cont. Pg. 2**

## PUPPINS Cont. from Pg. 1

In a recent update, she shared the joy of having him in her life: "He is a super happy and healthy pup! We have named him Oliver (or, as we like to call him, Oliver Puppins), and we couldn't be happier with the newest addition to our family! We are enjoying warm fall afternoons with him, walking on trails, dipping our toes into the Poudre River, and playing at the park."

Oliver's transformation from a distressed puppy to a joyful and adventurous companion highlights the power of fostering and adoption, but his journey doesn't stop here. He is now taking puppy socialization classes at our shelter with our skilled Canine Behavior Veterinarian, Dr. Amanda Payne, to continue his growth and development. This experience will help him become an even better companion and an ambassador for the love and care that every animal deserves.

At Animal Friends Alliance, we celebrate stories like Oliver's as they embody our commitment to helping animals in need and the importance of partnership, fostering, and training to provide our furry friends with a brighter future. It showcases the incredible bonds that can form when individuals and organizations like Animal Friends Alliance, BizPAWs, and compassionate foster homes unite to change lives. We invite you to join us in this mission, and together, we can create more heartwarming tales of resilience and love.



## FILL YOUR LEGACY WITH LOVE

**Animal Friends Alliance Legacy of Love Society not only secures the future of our organization and the lives of animals and community members in need, it is a powerful way to establish your personal legacy.**

As we reach the end of 2023, it is a special time to consider your personal legacy to help homeless and at-risk animals for years to come. We currently have over 70 committed, generous members in our Legacy of Love Society. Designating Animal Friends Alliance as your beneficiary usually costs nothing during your lifetime and can easily be revoked

if your circumstances change! The generosity of our network of supporters, combined with the expertise of our staff and volunteers, has had a profound impact in our community, saving countless animals' lives and keeping pets with families who love them. As always, our planned giving team is happy to provide information on giving strategies to help you maximize your support and accomplish your philanthropic goals. Please know how incredibly grateful we are for your unwavering support, and know that, together, we can and will provide

comprehensive companion animal resources, services, and education to the community to prevent homelessness and promote the human-animal bond. Thank you for your continued generosity and consideration of partnership in our lifesaving mission.



Board Member Julie Piepho with her beloved cat, Joey. Julie is a proud member of our Legacy of Love Society.

## HOW ARE WE DOING?

Total Animal Adoptions:

**41,481**

Total Spays/Neuters

**93,166**



## STAY IN TOUCH



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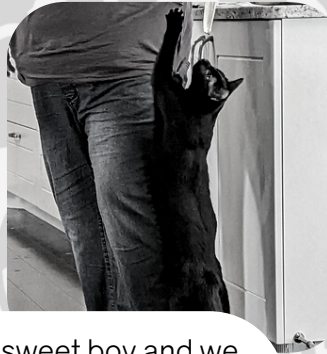


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# HAPPY TAILS



Owen: "He's a sweet boy and we love him...at least when he's not stealing food off of our plates!"



Aang: "Aengus has seamlessly fit in with our family, helping us to heal from the loss of our senior dog last winter."



Milo & Otis: "Thank you again for helping these little hooligans find our family. We just love them!"



Sugar: "She's been the best little sister to her dog and human brother."

## CATS, CATS & MORE CATS!

With kitten season 2023 coming to an end, our Community Cat Program reflects on a wild year! So far, we have assisted 940 cats through our TNR (trap-neuter-release) efforts combined with our adoption program. This is a 24% increase from our efforts in 2022. We can't thank you enough for your support, but our needs are still growing. We desperately need canned cat food to keep our community cats healthy this winter. Consider making a canned cat food donation today! Your gift will make a positive difference in the lives of our feline friends.



*Maximillion and Junipero were two cats trapped in our community this summer. They arrived very sick and lethargic. They have both found loving homes thanks to the efforts from our Community Cat Program!*



# FOSTERING SAVES LIVES

## Start your foster journey today!

Email your questions to:

[Foster@SavingAnimalsToday.org](mailto:Foster@SavingAnimalsToday.org)



Share your "Happy Tail" by sending your stories and photos to [Development@SavingAnimalsToday.org](mailto:Development@SavingAnimalsToday.org) or sharing to our page, [Facebook.com/AnimalFriendsAlliance!](https://www.facebook.com/AnimalFriendsAlliance/)

# THANK YOU FOR 'RUNNING FUR THEIR LIVES!'



Our Run Fur Fun Spooktacular 5k the weekend of Halloween was fantastic! We're howling with gratitude for everyone who joined us and faced the chilly challenge head-on. A special shoutout to our presenting sponsor, Hank's Pet Food Market LLC, for making this event possible! With almost 500 runners, we conjured up nearly \$40,000 to support our life-saving pet resources and programs. It's a real treat to operate in a community of givers!



## LOOKING FOR A LOVING HOME

### BRICK

Brick is a seven-month-old Maltese miracle! This happy-go-lucky pup arrived to us needing our resources. This poor pup was parvo positive, but with help from our incredible shelter vet team, his treatment was a success! Brick is a bit shy, but after some extra love he is blossoming into a confident canine. The way to his heart is through treats and play. Brick would make a wonderful addition to any home. Consider meeting this handsome dude today!



### JERRY LEE



This handsome fella is Jerry Lee! He's been with the Alliance longer than any other animal currently awaiting their loving family, 220 days. He is FeLV+, meaning he must be the only cat in his home or live with other FeLV+ cats. His adoption is sponsored, and we know his loving humans are out there!

## ORDER YOUR 2024 CALENDAR NOW!

The holiday season is fast approaching, and if you're on the hunt for a heartwarming and meaningful gift, look no further than the 2024 Alliance calendar. This year, our calendar is not just a collection of adorable photos; it's a testament to the love and companionship our furry friends provide. With 309 entries for our annual calendar contest, we've had an incredible journey selecting the best of the best, and we can't wait to share it with you!

When you purchase a 2024 Animal Friends Alliance calendar, you're not only giving the gift of joy to a loved one but also supporting our mission to promote the welfare of animals in need. Thank you to our calendar's presenting sponsor Poudre Pet & Feed Supply!

Order your  
2024 Alliance  
calendar today!



This year's cover winner is Matthew Fugate's adorable pup, Solana!



# WAYS TO GIVE BACK THIS HOLIDAY SEASON

Check out the amazing ways you can give back this holiday season! From joining our Animal Advocate Club for a monthly recurring donation to signing up for the King Soopers Community Rewards Program, there are endless ways you can make a difference in the lives of thousands of animals we assist every year!



Join our Animal Advocate Club today and make a gift that keeps on giving! There are several levels of giving available and each donation goes to our life-saving resources and programs!



Scan here to join our club today!



Sign up for King Soopers Community Rewards Program! You can link your King Soopers rewards card to the Alliance, and each time you shop, you will benefit our organization at no additional cost.



Scan here to sign up for King Soopers Community Rewards!



As our organization grows and it's impact grows, so do our needs! We are frequently updating our essential items on our Amazon Wishlist. Send a gift to the animals this holiday season!



Scan here to see our shelter's wish list!



Set up a recurring gift through Chewy! You can select from several different pet items to send directly to the Alliance shelter animals. Keep us in stock with essentials like treats, litter, and toys!



Scan here to give back through Chewy!



**December 5**

**COLORADO GIVES DAY**  
Presented by 1STBANK

**ColoradoGivesDay.org**

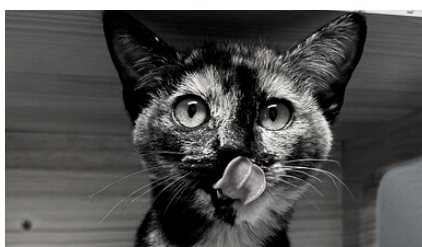
## PRESCCHEDULE YOUR GIFT THIS COLORADO GIVES DAY: DEC 5

Colorado Gives Day is an annual statewide movement to celebrate and increase philanthropy in Colorado through online giving. Every dollar donated in this 24-hour period helps to make an additional impact through an incentive matching program.

This means that every gift made to Animal Friends Alliance on Colorado Gives Day online increases our portion of the \$1M+ incentive fund! Your donation towards our goal of \$105,000 will help to sustain the services that we offer to animals and their people in our efforts to ensure that all companion animals

experience a healthy home where they are wanted, cared for, and loved.

Get ahead of the game this year and preschedule your Colorado Gives Day gift by scanning the QR code below. Together, we are saving animals today!



# NEW FACES AT THE ALLIANCE



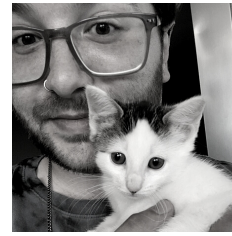
Bailey Payton is the new Director of Community Engagement at Animal Friends Alliance.

She has Bachelors of Arts in both English and Communication from the University of Wyoming, and a background in nonprofit event planning, volunteer management and fundraising. She is passionate about leadership and philanthropy, and is excited to be in a role where she can make a difference! In her free time she is an active volunteer and a part-time dance instructor. She is most excited about connecting with the community and supporting her team to thrive in 2024!



Rachel is the new Fundraising & Events Administrator! She is from Colorado and

loves skiing in the winter and paddleboarding in the summer. She has a Tuxedo cat named Mozzie who loves playing fetch and cuddling. Rachel is excited to bring her background in marketing, communications, project management, and event coordination to her role and help Animal Friends Alliance continue the amazing work we do to help our community through events such as the Gala for Animals, Run Fur Fun, February Fix Fest, Saving Pets Challenge, and more.



As the new Major Gifts Administrator at Animal Friends Alliance, Will maintains relations

with our Alliance donors, writes grants, and grows our Legacy of Love Society. William has an adept and diverse business professional background specializing in event coordination and client relations. He has produced philanthropic events for various non-profit foundations. Will's passion for maintaining long-lasting connections with the community will bring new ideas and opportunities to the Alliance's Development Team.

## SAVE THE DATE: GALA FOR ANIMALS



# VIVA PAWS

# VEGAS

## May 4 | The Hilton Fort Collins



## NEED DOG BEHAVIOR SERVICES?



We are now offering affordable canine behavior support services to the public through consultations with Amanda M. Payne, DVM. Learn more about this amazing resource and how we can help you strengthen the bond between you and your canine family member by scanning the QR code below.





Bailey R., Giving Program Administrator

Animal Friends Alliance has an exciting opportunity for our friends in the business community: Become a Business Partner in Animal Welfare (or BizPAW) and help animals while increasing your visibility to animal welfare supporters.

As a BizPAW Partner, you help sustain our work by committing a monetary gift or in-kind donation of professional service. We then

publicly thank you for your and generosity to animals in need, including in our print and e-newsletters, on the televisions in our shelter and clinic, with social media recognition - and MORE!

If you love animals and are a business owner or manager, please contact Bailey Rutter, our Giving Program Administrator, at Bailey.Rutter@SavingAnimalsToday.org to learn all the benefits of becoming a BizPAW.

Our Reach: Facebook 31.7K Follows Instagram 11K Follows Tiktok 9.7K Follows E-newsletter 31K Subscribers

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## BizPAW HERO



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**Brick needs  
 a home!  
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## HELP YOUR COMMUNITY CATS & DOGS BY GIVING

*Here are just a few examples of what your donation will make possible:*

- \$35 Vaccinate Eight Shelter Pets
- \$65 Spay or Neuter One Shelter Pet
- \$100 Help an At-Risk Dog in Our PAL+ Program
- \$250 Provide All Pre-Adoption Care for One Cat or Dog
- \$500 Replace Important Medical Equipment



**How much hope can you give? Enclosed is my donation of \$ \_\_\_\_\_**

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Yes, I want to join and make this recurring!

An Animal Advocate Club membership is a wonderful way to help cats and dogs, with levels starting as low as \$5 a month.

Learn more at [SavingAnimalsToday.org](http://SavingAnimalsToday.org)

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