

Contact Us!

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Your monthly news & updates!

COMMUNITY CORONAVIRUS (COVID-19) UPDATE

With the news about coronavirus (COVID-19) changing rapidly, SHS is taking precautions to help prevent the spread of COVID-19 in our community.

All animal adoptions will be by appointment only.

Animal viewing areas will be closed to the public.

All owner surrenders and non-emergency animal intakes will also be suspended.

Numerous activities are being canceled or suspended through at least April 10.

These include tours, volunteers, after-school clubs and school age children visits.

These actions are in response to the recommendations from the NACA (National

Animal Care and control Association) and local health authorities to implement social distancing measures where possible.

If you are interested in adopting an animal, all pet meet and greets will be done by appointment only by calling 530-926-4052. Please allow 24 hours for a return call.

We thank you for your continued support during this time!

View All Adoptable Animals



Adoptable DOG of the Month

Introducing **Twix**!

This girl is as sweet as her name suggests and is ready for her forever family to come along and take her home! Twix is a wellmannered dog looking for a home as gentle as she is. Twix has lived with and enjoys older children, cats and other polite dogs who can take it slow and respect her space. She has plenty of zip when it's time for walks and play, but also settles calmly and lazes in the sun. If decaf is your cup of tea, Twix might just be the perfect match for you!



Adoptable CAT of the Month

Meet Loretta!

Though it may take some patience and love to get her warmed up, once she has Loretta is as sweet as pie and loves giving out affectionate head-butts! She can be so loving and may get talkative once she's settled in. Previously her favorite past-time has been to chase moths and bugs around. She has lived with dogs and children before, and may do well with an appropriate companion. Loretta just needs a little patience and love, do you have what she needs to help her bloom?

Siskiyou Humane Society is changing up operations as we attempt to serve the public and pets with emergency needs, all while practicing social distancing in order to keep everyone safe. Last kitten season SHS took in over 130 kittens, so the shelter is preparing now for the kitty and puppy season ahead.

"This is an unprecedented event, and we need the community to come together to help us save lives," says Director of Siskiyou Humane Society, Kim Latos. "We are getting a lot of questions about the biggest needs and we've identified seven key ways people can help now."

- **1. Stay home and prepare to foster:** People can contact the shelter at 530-926-4052 and sign up to be on deck to foster for kittens. The shelter will review their information and will call once they find a good match. Potential fosters can complete the application and counseling by phone. Then the shelter will schedule a curbside pick-up of the foster pets.
- **2. Leave kittens alone:** Unless the kittens are sick or in immediate danger, the shelter is asking people to leave them with their mothers, where they have

the best chance of survival.

- **3. Hold stray pets at home:** For friendly, healthy stray pets, the shelter is asking finders to hold onto them, call 530-926-4052 to file a "Found" Report with our shelter, also notify appropriate animal agencies according to the location the pet was found. Get the pet scanned at a veterinarian's office (call first) or the shelter (call for appointment) to see if there is a microchip, and hold the pet until the owner has a chance to pick it up. SHS is accepting emergency-only intake and is trying to keep the number of pets in the shelter as low as possible to prepare for the coming weeks of higher-than-usual intake. The shelter is asking pet owners who would like to surrender their pets, to hold onto their pets during this outbreak, unless it is a true emergency.
- **4. Plan ahead:** Pet owners should make a plan for their pets in case they get sick and need to be hospitalized. The safest place for pets is in their own home, so people should be asking family members, neighbors or friends if they could care for their pets if they happen to be hospitalized. Pet owners should write down their pet's diet and feeding schedule, any medications they need, and other special instructions.
- **5. Donate to SHS:** SHS is completely dependent on private donations, sales from our Thrift Stores and small grants. We receive no government or national agency funding, such as The Humane Society of the U.S. Our stores are our largest source of funding and have unfortunately had to close due to Covid-19. We are still providing care and shelter to many animals, purchasing foster supplies, providing emergency medical funding for sick and injured animals, and providing pet food support to vulnerable pet owners. Donations can be made at www.siskiyouhumane.org.
- **6. Adopt:** Help SHS create a cushion of space by adopting a pet today. SHS is open for adoption by appointment only. The shelter has modified operations so people can complete all or most of the adoption process without ever entering the building. Please call 530-926-4052 for more information. **The shelter needs adoptions to continue to avoid critical overcrowding during the upcoming kitten and puppy season, which will start in the next month.** Please see our available pets atwww.siskiyouhumane.org.
- **7. Spread the word:** People should tell their friends, family, coworkers, and more that SHS needs adopters, fosters and donations to continue to sustain the lifesaving efforts. People can share our posts on Facebook and Instagram, reminding others that "social distancing doesn't have to be lonely". Forward this newsletter with your email contacts!

"If we all work together, and do things a little differently, we can keep pets, whether owned or homeless, safe during this pandemic," Latos said. "We are committed and with your help, we can get through this." Latos said adopting a pet right now is truly lifesaving. "We are preparing for the ongoing impact of increased intakes due to COVID-19 and the busy puppy and kitten season which is just a month away," Latos said. "If the community acts now, we can prevent overcrowding in the near future. We're keeping the numbers of people in any given area small, and we're cleaning and sanitizing several times each day to prevent the spread of disease." All pets adopted will come spayed or neutered, with age-appropriate vaccinations, a microchip and post adoption counseling. SHS is located at 1208 N. Mt Shasta Blvd., Mt Shasta, CA., open by appointment only, 530-926-4052.

For information about local impacts of coronavirus on humans and guidance for keeping yourself and others healthy, please follow the dedicated page on the Siskiyou County Health Department website:

https://www.co.siskiyou.ca.us/publichealth

Exciting News!

Our website is currently under construction and we will be unveiling the new site SOON!





The Siskiyou Humane Society is taking precautions to help prevent the spread of COVID-19 in our community. For the safety of our staff, volunteers and community members, we are temporarily suspending operations at our Mt. Shasta and Yreka Thrift Stores, until further notice.

This includes the accepting and processing of donations. We are so grateful to the community members who support our thrift stores.

Please clean and store your spring donations. We will happily accept them when we resume operations. Until then, be safe and stay informed.

Donate today to help us assist more of our community's companion animals!

Donate Today!



As a non profit organization, we receive no funds from local, state, federal government or national humane organizations.

We rely solely on private donations and proceeds from our thrift stores.

Other Ways You Can Help!

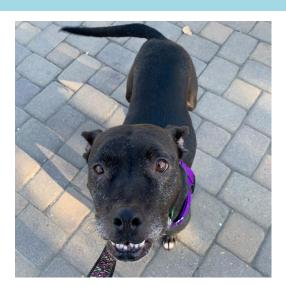
- Planned Giving
- Auto Debit Program
- Rays Rewards
- Amazon Smile
- Facebook Fundraisers
- Employer Matching Donations

Contact us for more information on these programs!



Happy Tails Adoption Updates"Senior Dog Success Stories"





Lilly and **Missy** are both senior ladies who have proven that they still have plenty of love to give a new family! Sometimes older dogs find themselves looking for a new home and are often passed over in shelters for younger dogs. We are grateful for the adopters who stepped up to give these greymuzzled darlings a second chance at happy homes to spend their golden years in!

Our Mission Statement

"The Siskiyou Humane Society exists to improve the lives of companion animals by sheltering, rehabilitating, reducing pet overpopulation and finding permanent homes. We promote responsible pet ownership, kindness to animals and enhancement of human-animal relationships through education and outreach."



Coronavirus in Dogs: What You Need to Know



As COVID-19 dominates the news, some pet parents have begun to worry about coronavirus in dogs.

Can your dog get infected? Can animals infect humans? What should you do to keep both your pup and yourself safe and healthy? Our friends at Wisdom Panel share this helpful information found **HERE**.

Thank you to the following businesses for their continued support with donations, time and services!

- Raven Tree
- Ramshaw's ACE Hardware
- Erickson's Trucking
- Mt Shasta Super Market
- Grocery Outlet
- Say Cheese Pizza



Shelter Wish List





- Large dog toys
- Enrichment toys
- Puzzle toys
- Pigs Ears
- Canned dog food
- Canned cat food
- Cat toys
- Blankets/bedding (please no sheets, pillows or torn material)
- Gerbers Chicken
 Baby Food for kittens
- Commercial copier/printer





