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"we speak for those who cann<mark>ot speak fo</mark>r themselves"

We thank you for your donations!



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VOLUNTEERS—We are fueled by the tireless dedication of our volunteers. If you don't have the \$s to help us fund our Fur-Ever Home, yet have the skills to assist our fundraising efforts, we need you! Grant writing, fund-raising events, and getting the word out will bring in the donations. Every little thing helps. Every single bit of time, money, food, effort and items donated helps our efforts to speak for those who cannot speak for themselves.

We can always use...

- Pet Food
- Adult-sized bed pads
- Masking & Duct tape
- Cleaning supplies (paper towels, cleaning spray)
- Plastic table coverings

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Miss S saved by Volunteers

My name is Miss S and they call me a wired-haired terrier. I'm an old girl and so was my previous owner. She died. I was abandoned, scared, and handed off to strangers. When I was taken to a shelter I heard stories from the other dogs that I didn't like. I didn't want to die, too.



HOTLINE: 505 325-3366 L

After a few days, a volunteer started walking me and he liked my sweet calm nature. He brought me home to meet a person he called "the missus." They told me they were adopting me! Then, when they went on a long trip, I got nervous and scared again, but he told me that a friend, another volunteer from the San Juan Animal League, was coming to be with me while they were gone. I calmed down when I saw her—Lady. Lady is a talker. She tells me when she leaves when she'll be back, and tells me to guard the house while she's gone. She told me she'd be busy doing SJAL business off and on during the day, but not to worry, she'd run and walk with me three times a day, keep feeding me, and even sleep over because I was now in what she called my "Fur-Ever Home." I liked the sound of that. It sounded solid and permanent.

Every day, she keeps talking about my new owners and how dedicated they are to animals and the community. Lady says all of San Juan Animal League's efforts are getting more important now that they also want to have a stable and permanent presence in the community. She says they have already raised over \$25,000 toward their own "Fur-Ever Home" yet they have a long way to go to make it a reality. They have a three-year goal (I have no idea what that is) to raise \$300,000 for this new home they want. She says they have lots of plans for some FUNdraising events and that all of their Volunteers are the ones who make everything happen for all of us animals in need. We get vaccines, and spayed and neutered, and a whole lot of other words I really don't know the meaning of. I just know they are doing GOOD in this community and it would be great if they could have their permanent home, too. Oh, and she says whatever size donation is given to them, there will be a gift given in return, that every dollar counts! I hope my new people help them...I need something to chew on.



Kathy Hogan, President

Hello 2018! I am very excited for this year and what we have planned.

By the time you receive this Newsletter we will have had our first Vaccine Clinic, have spayed or neutered 134 owned animals and 201 feral cats! We also are starting up the 'Kitten Train' again so that socialized kittens and friendly ferals can be taken to Durango and adopted out. What a fantastic start to a busy year. We also have kicked off our Build Our Furever Home fund drive and are a quarter of the way to our first year goal! A big thank you goes out to the SICHBA for making us a big part of their Home Show. On our WebPage you will now be able to designate where your donations go.

I am so grateful and amazed that this is accomplished because **VOLUNTEERS MAKE THIS** HAPPEN. If you are already a volunteer THANK YOU! If you have interest in volunteering please contact us. We have many areas you can help from our traditional clinics, TNR and transporting for the Kitten Train. If you prefer a less direct role with the animals but still want to help we need volunteers to input data, help us plan and man fundraising events and or grant writing. We now have a FB page that is dedicated to volunteers where we will get the word out on events coming up and you can jump in where it makes sense to you and your schedule.

I am so proud that we are a 100% volunteer run organization and that 100% of donations go directly to the programs or building fund.

Please like and share our FB Page so that we may keep you up to date on all the wonderful happenings we will be up to this year. Our next public event is Bark in the Park on April 28th and we will be at Riverfest again this year.

—Kathy

Recent Events



At our Annual Meeting in January, we had two featured speakers–Kristin Langenfeld and Dr. Shayna Whitaker, DVM. Kristin updated us on the San Juan Country drive to have our NM legislature pass the bipartisan Spay/Neuter bill

HB64—which recently passed both the House and Senate only to have Governor Martinez veto it. Thank you all for the concerted effort that will continue until it is passed. Dr. Shayna Whitaker came with a travelogue slide show about her South American trip to find Saki Monkeys that had been considered extinct. Her enthusiasm was just as great when she talked about her TNR efforts in partnership with SJAL. Our President, Kathy Hogan also announced our 3-year Goal of a Fur-Ever Home of our own which we rolled out to the public at the Home Show.

Help Us Fund Our

15 New Fur-Ever Home

Volunteers
Signed Up
at the
Home
Show!!!







Dog House Raffle Winner: Melissa Salyers





We are moving into our busy seasons of animal care—spay/ neutering, vaccinations, microchipping and it all takes a tremendous team effort by volunteers! Volunteering is food for the soul—and PRICELESS for the animals that benefit from our heroes. We make it easy for anyone to sign up:

- Website SanJuanAnimalLeague.Org
- Facebook Page https://www.facebook.com/sanjuananimalleague/
- Hotlline, 505-325-3366

If you volunteer on Facebook, we will add you to our recently created SJAL Volunteer Group which is where we post specific upcoming events and needs. Fast and easy!

See our list of needs below, and whatever comes easily and effortlessly to you on this list is the right spot for us too! Give us the number/s of your special talent/s and we'll put you in exactly the right situation for you to shine. Anyone can build community service skills that can enhance resumes (including high school and college students)!

- 1. Hands on Vaccine Clinics
- 2. Hands on Trap Neuter Return of Feral Cats
- 3. Data Input
- 4. Fundraising / Events
- 5. Administrative / Tracking of Records
- 6. Hotline
- 7. Scheduling Spay Neuter Appointments
- 8. Advertising

- 9. Social Media
- 10.Grant Writing
- 11.Distribution of Posters and Other Media
- 12.Donation Canisters— Distribution & Collection
- 13. Emergency Pet Food Program
- 14.Community Outreach / Education
- 15. Graphics / Desktop Design
- 16. Mentor Teenage Volunteers

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Volunteers Make It happen

March 11th Vaccine Clinic Stats-Volunteers making it happen:

Animals vaccinated - 422

Vaccine & microchip tags count - 867 Liability forms (1 per family) signed - 272

Total count of people includes volunteers, adults & kids - 617

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Thank you!

VOLUNTEERS & 2018 Clinic SPONSORS

Your support helps bring vaccinations to **thousands** of pets.

- Citizens Bank
- Canine-Castle
- 7-2-11 Food Stores
- Ben Mortensen, State Farm
- Linda & Louis Fogleman
- Porters Restaurant and the Blue Moon Diner
- Ziems Ford Corners
- Doggie Day Spa

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Your donations go directly to the care of local animals!

VET PARTNERS

- Dr. Nowicki, DVM (vac. clinics)
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- Dogsters (spay & neuter)
- Dr. Bauer (spay & neuter)
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Membership Categories

\$20 Individual \$35 Family \$50 Business/Professional \$100 Corporate ____Friend of SJAL

Donations are always welcomed.



2018r=\$100K | 2019=\$200K | 2020=\$300K



2018 UPCOMING **Vaccination Clinics**

Apr 8, 12-4pm Bloomfield MultiCulCtr333 S. First St. Apr 29, 12-3pm Kirtland Engineers Hall4250 Highway 64 Jun 3, 12-3pm Farmington Rec Center 1101 Fairgrounds Rd. **Jul 8,** 12-4pm Aztec Senior Center101 S. Park **Aug 12,** 12-4pm Farmington Sycamore Ctr1051 Sycamore Bloomfield MultiCultCtr333 S. First St. Oct 7, 12-3pm Nov 11, 12-4pm McGee Park FairgroundsBloomfield Hwy

Did You Know?

Beloved Pets need an end-of-life plan in place?

Unfortunately, sick or aged animals rarely simply pass away peacefully and comfortably in their sleep. It is up to us humans to make sure our pets are as comfortable, free of pain, and as well loved as possible. This includes a plan for our own end-of-life that gives instructions for a God-parent (or other life ensuring plan) for our pets, or they may just end up in a kill-shelter like Miss S in our cover story did. Thankfully, hers is a happy ending!



