



The High Sierra Barker

2020 Spring Newsletter

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Saving lives during a global crisis

High Sierra Animal Rescue has always been an important place for vulnerable dogs in need and we will continue to be throughout this crisis. We are proceeding with every caution and trying our very best to prevent local county shelters from overcrowding which could lead to the euthanasia of perfectly healthy dogs. We are calling upon our supporters for their help throughout this unprecedented and uncertain time. This past month twelve of our rescues found their forever homes and three are currently in foster homes. There are two major ways that you can assist our nonprofit and the dogs who rely on us.

- **Financial support:** Our community has always been there for us and we are asking that you please make a donation to our nonprofit right now. We will be losing \$6,000+ a month in boarding income alone and this has been a huge financial hit for us. Donations can be made online at highsierraanimalrescue.org or over the phone (530) 832-4727.
- **Spreading the word:** Another way that you can help is by getting the word out and speaking with your friends and loved ones over the phone and on social media about our efforts. We encourage those of you who have adopted from us to share photos of your happy rescue dog on [Facebook](https://www.facebook.com) and [Instagram](https://www.instagram.com) as a way of spreading some positivity and awareness.



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Our work here cannot be paused, the dogs at HSAR rely on us to provide them with their daily basic needs and then some, just as your pets at home do. We hope that after this crisis has ended that we will all be able live our lives much like our canine companions; always in the present, not sweating the small stuff, and throwing a party every time a loved one comes home safe and well (even if it's only been a few minutes). Our nonprofit will be here for our county (Plumas) and our region of influence including Lassen County and northern Nevada. Throughout this crisis we would like to encourage you to ask for our help, if needed.

We will try our absolute best to keep you informed and up to date on our operations as time progresses and things change. The return to normal, everyday life is something that we are very much looking forward to. We miss our volunteers dearly and cannot wait to welcome them back with lots of tail wags and smiles. Our hearts go out to you, your family members, friends, and neighbors and we hope that you will stay well, healthy, and hopeful.

Guardians of High Sierra Animal Rescue

Monthly Giving is the easiest and most consistent way to help rescue dogs throughout the year! *Their future is in your hands!*

- \$25 Pays for gas to/from county shelters
- \$50 Provides a dog with a microchip and vaccines
- \$100 Covers the cost of a special needs vet visit
- \$250 Helps spay and neuter two dogs

Please sign up [online](#) with your debit or credit card and your donation will automatically be processed each month. More information can be found at highsierraanimalrescue.org



Calypso and her fight against a Giant Kidney Worm



If you have been keeping up with the local paper, HSAR emails, or our social media posts, then you have probably heard about Calypso! This fun-loving, sweet puppy found her way to us with her three siblings after they were left in the outdoor kennel one night at a county shelter. Just after we took them in we noticed that Calypso had some symptoms that would usually indicate a urinary track infection. We attempted to treat her with normal antibiotics but as she went in for her spay surgery, it became apparent to Dr. Clement at [American Valley Animal Hospital](#), that what Calypso was going through was much more complex than a common infection. Samples were sent off to the lab and showed that she had an extremely rare parasite that tends to reside in one or both kidneys.

This kidney worm had laid thousands of eggs in her intestinal cavity before making its final voyage to her right kidney where it grew to the length of two and a half feet. If left untreated it would have caused her kidney to burst. Dr. Clement had never experienced this before and as we called other vets nearby, we learned that hardly any veterinarians in our region had. We knew that we had to act fast and get her to [Sierra Veterinary Specialists](#) in Reno where they would assess her health and remove the worm, the affected kidney, and the eggs. During this time we called upon our supporters to help us with the cost of her surgery and prescription medicine costs. We were overwhelmed and touched by your response and would like to extend a final “thank you” to you for helping us and this sweet puppy.

Calypso bounced back from her life saving surgery within 24 hours and soon after, she met her adoptive mom who absolutely adores her. She now spends her days alongside her momma as they go on walks and run errands together. We are so grateful and proud to reside in Plumas County and serve not only this community, but Lassen and Washoe Counties as well. This is why our nonprofit exists; to ensure that dogs like her receive the second chance and love that they deserve regardless of the cost and time it requires. If we hadn’t rescued her it’s very likely that she wouldn’t be alive today.



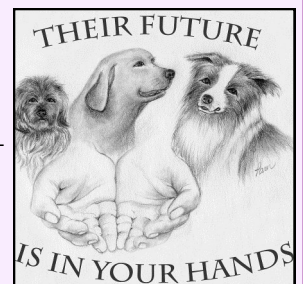
Please consider becoming a monthly guardian to help us with unexpected life saving surgeries like the one that Calypso had to undergo.



Yes, I want to help High Sierra Animal Rescue save lives!

*Please consider becoming a Guardian of HSAR through our online giving page!
Information can be found at highsierraanimalrescue.org*

Name _____ \$15 ___ \$25 ___ \$50 ___ \$75 ___ \$100 ___ other
 Address _____ Check/Money Order Credit Card
 Phone _____ Card Number _____
 City _____ State _____ Zip _____ Exp. Date _____ CVC Security Code _____



Thank you for your life-saving support! Their future is in your hands!

Your donation is tax deductible. For assistance or questions, please call us at (530) 832-4727

Will you be their Guardian Angel?



When you become a Guardian of High Sierra Animal Rescue by making monthly donations, you're providing homeless dogs with the care they need as they await their forever homes. Our Guardians are highly valued and precious to us because of the consistent, reliable income they provide to our nonprofit. Your monthly gift would be a great way to support our pups throughout the year. If you are unable to support us with a recurring donation please consider making a one time donation.

You may sign up online today at highsierraanimalrescue.org .

Your credit or debit card donation will automatically be processed each month, it's that easy!

Memorial or Tribute Donation:

To make a donation in memory of a person or pet, please check the "In Memory of" or "In Honor of" selections on the online donation page. Or mail your donation to HSAR with a special note or letter.

Planned Gifts:

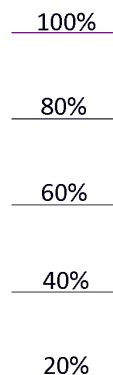
You can also support homeless pets at High Sierra Animal Rescue with a planned gift and you might benefit from income and capital gains tax savings when you establish a planned gift. Donors can also direct their insurance plans, retirement funds and IRAs in support of HSAR. This designation often allows the donor to make a considerable legacy gift. Careful planning is necessary in the use of IRAs and other retirement plans to fund charitable gifts, so please contact your tax advisor.



Our generous monthly givers make our mission possible. Right now we have achieved 36% of our goal. Can you help push us past the 50% mark? Sign up today!



Guardian Goal



Upcoming Events

Due to the current state of the world, we are unsure as to whether or not we will be able to hold our annual life-saving events. We rely on these fundraisers to bring in necessary income and spread awareness for the dogs we love so dearly. Event sponsorships from businesses and individuals are a great way to show your support for the homeless dogs in our community. If an event is cancelled, sponsorships will be honored and provide much needed income to keep our doors open! For more information about event sponsorships please give our rescue a call!

Paws on Parade

June 20th 10-3

This wonderful festival is held in Graeagle Park every year as a way of celebrating our community and the love we share for the dogs that make our lives complete. Multiple activities for kids and dogs, vendors, Boomerang food truck, Marlee and Friends Mobile Grooming, Hot Rod Hounds Flyball, agility demonstrations, wonderful raffle prizes to be won, and adoptable dogs!



Pints for Pups

July 11th 3-7

Pints is held at the Brewing Lair every year! There will be fantastic beer, live music from 86 Proof, adoptable dogs, incredible raffle prizes, face painting, corn hole, and disc golf!

Duffers for Dogs

September 20th 9:30-4

This beautiful, blue sky golf event is held at Whitehawk Ranch Golf Club. The entry fee is \$135 per player. This includes green fees, cart, practice facility, range balls and dinner.



Did you know that High Sierra Animal Rescue has a Facebook and Instagram? Follow along to see our available dogs and keep up with our most recent news!

