

Paws *for* Thought

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Cobra's healing
journey inside.





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now accepting reservations

Our Doggie Day Care & Boarding services have opened; completing Phase II development at The Center!

Bringing this new profit center online is **another first in Animal Humane's 54-year history**, as we continue to evolve to meet the needs of our community and to find unique avenues to maintain our mission.

Through The Centers's rich offerings — agility & behavior training, doggie day care and boarding — our Team is strengthening human + pet connections that ultimately sustain our programming for pets & people statewide.

We invite you to come tour the newest destination spot in southeast Albuquerque; as



we are honored to continue our progress with you... our donors... who make every life-saving day possible!

With gratitude,

Donna M. Stumpf
Executive Director

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Mabel learns new skills with mom, Beverly.



“
The first day of class Mabel was too chicken to go through the training building door.
”

— Beverly

THE CENTER: Where Mabel Comes to Train & Play

"Please, please can we go to The Center?" asks Maybelline Storm, a beautiful dog named for her eyeliner markings and one ice blue eye. "I love it there and everyone is so nice to me!"

Mabel, as she's called, was adopted at 11-weeks-old. **As Mabel grew, her family noticed that she was a "wild child."** Learning about the social, behavioral and agility classes offered by The Center at Animal Humane, Mabel's family knew they had to give it a try.

"The first day of class Mabel was too chicken to go through the training building door," Mabel's mom, Beverly, told us. "She ended up sitting outside observing the class."

Even so, The Center Team didn't give up on her. The Center's Operations Director Trevor Driggs, CPDT-KA, and trainer, Jennifer Allen,

KPA CTP, worked with Mabel to build her confidence. Today Mabel can't wait for her next class.

Since that first class, Mabel has grown to love everything about The Center. She and her family have participated in multiple classes, including Middle School Manners and Agility Foundations. "Agility helps her celebrate her athleticism, and the behavior classes really make her think and exercise control," explained her mom.

The Center provides Mabel an outlet to burn off energy, learn new skills and, most importantly, to grow the cherished bond she shares with her parents.

"The Center trainers are dedicated, the other dog parents are helpful & supportive and the facilities are gorgeous," Beverly says. "We all learn so much every time we go."



If your pet would like to train, play or stay at The Center you can enroll in classes or book your next stay at TheCenter.AnimalHumaneNM.org.

To learn more about private stay & train instruction, email TheCenter@AnimalHumaneNM.org or call 505.255.PLAY (7529).

DAY CARE RATES

Full Day Play	\$26
10 Pack Full Day Play	\$234
20 Pack Full Day Play	\$468

Half Day Play	\$16
10 Pack Half Day Play	\$144
20 Pack Half Day Play	\$288

BOARDING RATES

Twin Size Suite	\$25
Full Size Suite	\$32
Queen Size Suite	\$36
King Size Suite	\$45
NM King Size Suite	\$50

Full day care rate for boarding dogs	\$16
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Like every pet who comes to Animal Humane, cats Cobra & Miles found the love and care they needed to become their new families' perfect pets.

THANK YOU to our generous donors who made these happy endings possible.

MILES MEETS HIS NEW FAMILY

Three-year-old Miles came to Animal Humane as a stray. He was all alone and clearly in pain. The orange Tabby's small body was covered with multiple bite wounds and was missing patches of fur. It appeared Miles had survived a cat fight. But, he needed veterinary attention to fully recover.

A visit to our Donor-subsidized Veterinary Clinic, made possible by the love and support of our donors, saved Miles' life. Our Clinic Team cleaned and bandaged all of Miles' wounds. He was also neutered during his stay.

Miles recovered in comfort with ample time to heal, and all of his fur grew back. Now a healthy and once again handsome boy, Miles was adopted into a safe and caring family of his very own.

COBRA JUMPS INTO A LOVING HOME

This past February, one-and-a-half-year-old Cobra, along with four other rescued felines, traveled 136 miles from Taos to our Main Campus.

Cobra and his friends made the long journey thanks to our wonderful donors. **You make it possible for our Project Fetch program to transfer in homeless pets** from overcrowded shelters across New Mexico; giving them the best opportunity to find loving homes.

When Cobra appeared to be limping, he was rushed to our Donor-subsidized Veterinary Clinic. X-rays revealed that Cobra had broken his paw.

To heal the fracture, Cobra wore a splint for



Cobra's X-ray revealing a fracture.

three weeks. During his recovery, he enjoyed his own private patient room with toys, food, a cozy bed, lots of extra affection and no high perching points to tempt him.

Cobra was a real trouper, nuzzling our Veterinary Team through regular bandage and splint changes. When his fracture had fully healed, Cobra jumped into life with his new adoptive family.



Miles posing for the camera.

EQUIPPING THE NEXT GENERATION OF Humane Citizens

Wide-eyed students watch in awe as Rey, a Golden Retriever, walks into their classroom.

It's rare to see a dog in school, making Rey the star of the show. Rey, an Animal Humane alum, visits schools with her mom Gina Sena, our Humane Educator. Together they teach empathy and compassion for pets and people through our Learn Humane program.

Though Rey may receive all of the attention, it's donors like you who are the real stars. You make it possible for our Learn Humane Team to visit classrooms across the Albuquerque metro area and to teach children kindness to pets and others.

In 2018, the Learn Humane Team made 240 presentations, reaching more than 5,900 students!

"Learn Humane lessons help our students understand the importance of caring for animals," said Ms. Armijo, Counselor at Barcelona Elementary School. "My students have talked about how they are using the pet care advice they learned from Gina with their own pets."

But the impact of our Learn Humane programs doesn't stop there.

These committed students are sharing this important information with their peers as well. One stellar example of concern for pets in action: fifth-grade students at Hawthorne

Elementary School shared the importance of spaying and neutering pets with their entire student body. The class created posters and broadcast information on their school's morning television program.



Rey, a Learn Humane ambassa-dog visits schools across Albuquerque.

"We focused on pet spay and neuter because we want our school families to be responsible pet owners," said Ms. Schuler, Fifth Grade Teacher at Hawthorne Elementary.

Students are also choosing to give back to support homeless pets they are learning about.

"My students come from modest backgrounds, yet they saved Pennies for Pups money to give to Animal Humane," shares Ms. Lendino Conlin, Counselor at Eugene Field Elementary School. **"It was**

a simple donation, but since these kids have so little already, it warmed my heart to see their generosity."

It warms the hearts, of all the pets at Animal Humane too! Thanks to you, New Mexico students are growing into compassionate, responsible citizens.

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— Ms. Armijo

Securing the Future for our furry friends

We have had several cats and one dog over the nearly 36 years that we have been married. Our pets have been our best friends, and we believe they provide us with just as much love and attention as we do for them.

We made the decision to set up a bequest to Animal Humane New Mexico after updating our will with our attorney. We realized that we had pretty much worked out final details for everything regarding our passing, except for what would happen to our two cats, Dixie and Brisco.

With us for nearly 13 years, our cats are siblings, and they spend

much of their days playing and sleeping together. They have brought us a great deal of joy over the years.

Our meeting with Stephanie Miller at **Animal Humane New Mexico has given us the peace of mind we were searching for.**

We have been financial supporters of Animal Humane New Mexico for several years. We want to thank this remarkable organization for giving us this opportunity to offer one final gift, and for ensuring that our pets will be given a loving, caring home after we're gone.

*- Patrice & Bill Armstrong
Albuquerque*



KAREN GRIFFIN 2018 Volunteer of the Year

We're honored to showcase our 2018 Volunteer of the Year, Karen Griffin! Five years ago, as a new volunteer, Karen wanted to spoil our felines as a Cat Cuddler and assist with our Thrift Shop. Nearly 2,500 volunteer hours later, cuddling cats and serving as Lead Clothing Specialist at Thrift are just two of the small yet important ways Karen makes a difference for homeless pets each week.

Karen's volunteer jobs have evolved to include co-leading our Cat Profile Writing Team and scheduling our cat volunteers — a job that can be similar to, well, herding cats. She also leads our Gardening Team, and she gives campus tours for new volunteers.

As if that weren't enough, Karen helps at our Community Pet Health Fairs, and Doggie Dash & Dawdle volunteer tent! It's no wonder her colleagues say, "Karen is EVERYWHERE all the time." We are so proud that Karen is a part of our volunteer pack.

*Thank you,
Karen!*

Patrice & Bill Armstrong with their cats Dixie & Brisco.



To learn about planning for your pets, or about including Animal Humane New Mexico in your will, please contact Stephanie Miller at StephanieM@AnimalHumaneNM.org or 505.938.7919.

Serving Pets & People

Around the State

Our amazing Animal Humane Team has successfully hosted two community Pet Health Fairs in New Mexico this spring.

You may remember reading about our partnerships with rural shelters to offer free and low-cost Pet Health Fairs in select communities. We are delighted to report that **these health fairs are not only provide life-saving vaccinations and microchips for New Mexico's cats and dogs, they also allow people like Marsden to rescue and keep a homeless dog he found wandering the mesa near Belen.**

It didn't take long for Marsden to discover that his new pup had a sassy personality. She

earned herself the name Sassy Jo. We met Sassy Jo and her human Marsden at our Pet Health Fair at the Valencia County Animal Shelter in March, where Sassy Jo was visiting the vet for the very first time.

"The Pet Health Fair is great," Marsden said. "I'm not able to afford Sassy Jo's vaccinations and microchip right now, but this allows me to take the first step in ensuring Sassy Jo's wellness."

Your generosity has saved Sassy Jo's life, and it will continue to save countless more through our upcoming Pet Health Fairs!

So far this year, Animal Humane has served over 330 pets and 180 families at our Pet Health Fairs. And we aren't finished yet! In the second half of 2019, you'll find us in Las Vegas and in multiple locations around Albuquerque reaching out to many more pets and people.

Our Pet Health Fairs are made possible by the support of thoughtful donors and selfless volunteers, like you. If you are interested in giving to or serving at an upcoming Pet Health Fair, **please contact Leah Remkes at LeahR@AnimalHumaneNM.org** or 505.938.7872.



Marsden with his rescue dog Sassy Jo, who received her first-ever checkup from volunteer veterinarian, Dr. Packebush.



Animal Humane New Mexico has fabulous community partners that serve our pets in unique ways. The University of New Mexico Hospital donates bags of saline they can no longer use to Animal Humane. Our Donor-subsidized Veterinary Clinic Team injects these bags with dye and warms them to use as heating pads to comfort pets coming out of surgery.

EX-PURR-T ADVICE:

Hiking with your pet

Hiking in New Mexico is extraordinary, and bringing your furry friends along only makes it that much better. Operations Director at The Center, **Trevor Driggs, CPDT-KA**, shares five tips to ensure your hike is enjoyable, and safe, for everyone!

Be Prepared

Between New Mexico's elevation and dry air, bringing enough water for you and your pets to stay hydrated is critical. Avoid allowing your dog to drink from streams and standing water, as they often contain harmful bacteria.

Take (and USE) a Leash

Allowing your dog to wander freely in the wild is dangerous. If you want to give your pet more freedom to explore, use a longer leash, such as the 15-foot leashes sold at The Center.

Practice Recall

Practice obedience cues, like recall, with your pet prior to hiking. Using special, high-value treats for recalls on hikes can be motivating. Other important cues include "Drop It" or "Look at Me."

Ask Before Meeting

Your pet may be friendly, but not every human or canine will want to socialize. If you approach another hiker with a dog, before you interact ask "Do you mind if my dog says 'Hello'?" It's always safe and important to respect others' space.



Trevor & Nacho can't wait to see you on the trail!

Have Fun!

Pay attention to how your pet feels and any struggles they face during your hike. If your pet gets startled by other hikers, consider extra training to prepare them for the next adventure. Likewise, if your pet has trouble keeping up, adjust the time and length of your hike until they build up stamina. Hiking should be fun for all involved. Make sure your pets are enjoying it too!



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