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KID'S CORNER NEWSLETTER

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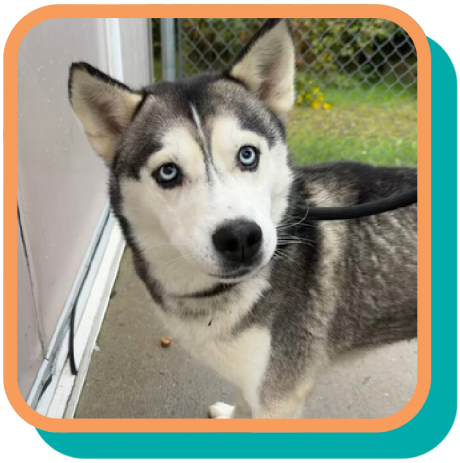
ADOPTABLE ANIMAL SPOTLIGHT!



Name: Lexus
Age: 4 years
Sex: Spayed female
Breed: Husky, Siberian
Likes: People, soft beds, snacks, and snuggles



Name: Mung
Age: 5 months
Sex: Intact Male
Breed: Mouse, Domestic
Likes: Healthy food, seeds and nuts and gentle hands!



Name: Phillip Sherman
Age: 12 years
Sex: Neutered Male
Breed: Shorthair, Domestic
Likes: Gentle humans and his best friend Chum; they are a bonded pair, so they will go home together!



Visit www.rescueleague.org for more information on animals and programming!

October is Adopt A Shelter Dog Month!





Adopt A Shelter Dog Month is a big yearly campaign in the U.S.!

It encourages awareness of the needs of shelter dogs and helps get people to adopt dogs!

Why adopt a shelter dog?





- **Vetcare**
  - Shelter dogs are often spayed/neutered and up-to-date on vaccines and preventatives.
- **Training**
  - Adult shelter dogs often have skills puppies from breeders do not! Shelters can tell you if a dog is potty-trained, leash-trained, or has good manners.
- **Personality**
  - Adult dogs have fully formed personalities! Puppies from breeders have yet to grow and decide what they like/dislike.
- **Socialization**
  - Often, adult dogs have already been socialized with people and other animals! Puppies from breeders still have little exposure to the world.
- **Need**
  - There are many dogs without homes in the U.S., so the more pet owners who adopt, the better!









WAYS TO SUPPORT DOGS IN THE SHELTER!



Adopt A Shelter Dog Month raises awareness about dog adoption! Here are a few ways kids can support dogs at shelters.

1. Gather donations at:
   - school
   - church
   - yard sale
   - lemonade stand
   - your birthday party

   Check out our: wishlist and donation page to see what ARLNH accepts for donations at rescueleague.org

2. Bake (limited-ingredient) dog biscuits for our shelter dogs! Include a list of ingredients, please

3. Make shelter pets fleece blankets or tie blankets (with your parent)

4. Have a wonderful dog from a shelter? Tell people their story so they want to adopt!

5. Spread awareness about shelters and animal adoption!

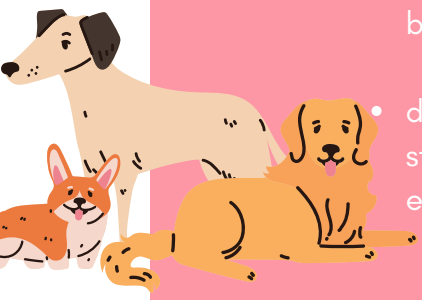


DID YOU KNOW?

Why is Adopt A Shelter Dog Month important?

- it reminds us about the large number of animals in shelters in the U.S. in need of homes
- 2.8 million dogs entered shelters/rescues in 2025, so the need is big!
- dogs in shelters are staying longer, especially large dogs
- not enough dogs are adopted each year to make more space for new dogs coming in to shelters
- adopting a dog from a shelter is an act of kindness, it rescues one dog's life, brings love into your home and makes space for a new dog in need!





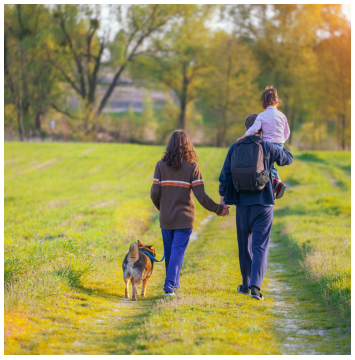
Facts about animal adoption in the U.S. are from the ASPCA







HAVE A DOG FROM A SHELTER? CELEBRATE YOUR DOG THIS MONTH!



How?

1. Draw a picture of you and your dog to hang up in your room!

2. Play with your dog more. Play their favorite games! (Just never take a toy from a dog).

3. Help your parents take them for extra walks or to new places. New places are exciting, with new sights, sounds and scents!!



4. Ask your parents to help you take a few photos with your dog. Post a picture in your room!

5. With the help of your parents, prepare a special snack for your dog. Never feed your dog without your parents' permission, and never take food from a dog.

6. Take your dog trick-or-treating if your dog likes strangers and IF your parents are going along as well, but follow the Halloween pet safety tips on the next page!











HALLOWEEN
Pet Safety Tips

NO SWEETS FOR YOUR SWEETIE

Keep your pets away from candy (especially chocolate); avoid placing bowls on the ground.



KEEP PUMPKINS AWAY FROM YOUR PUMPKIN

Decorative plants can be toxic and candle-lit jack-o-lanterns are fire hazards if tipped over.



COSTUMES ARE OPTIONAL

Do not force unwanted costumes. Most pets prefer not to wear them!



NO TRICK OR TREATER GREETERS

The front door is a high traffic area. Doorbells and knocks can upset even the friendliest pets.





HAVE PETS I.D. READY





Spooked pets can get lost. Microchip and tag them in case they get out. This will help with reunification.

PARTY POOPERS ARE OKAY



Some pets are happier in a quiet room away from the party.



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TALES FOR TAILS READING PROGRAM

Love reading? Come on by and read to our shelter pets as they await adoption day!







Hours available Sunday, Monday, Tuesday, Wednesday, Thursday and Friday



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