



Donors like you save senior dogs like Harmony and Melody! You are giving them the precious gift of time.

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# A Place to Call Home This Holiday Season

In a perfect world, every senior pet would spend its twilight years surrounded by a loving family. Sadly, many people are quick to adopt puppies and younger dogs, often overlooking dogs who are 5 years and older. Just like puppies and younger adoptable dogs, senior dogs can also make great, loyal, loving companions. Love truly has no age limit! Consider adopting or sponsoring a senior dog like Allie or one of the sweethearts featured on this page. You would be giving them the best gift of all, a forever home!





Your continued support ensures Mackenzie's is 'a home along the way' for many dogs and a life-long sanctuary to those who are unable to find a home outside of Mackenzie's. As resident dogs reach their golden years, our veterinary clinic is a vital component to assist in keeping these aging patients comfortable while addressing chronic diseases and ailments.



Mackenzie's efforts include not only finding loving forever homes for rescued dogs, but also maintaining the highest standards of care for all dogs during their stay.

Our on-site veterinary clinic allows us to offer high quality veterinary interventions in a timely manner and regular preventive medicine. Mackenzie's medical team performs spay/neuters, x-rays, routine vaccinations and exams. Along with annual monitoring and blood work, dental cleanings with extractions, chemotherapy, mass removals, minor inpatient hospitalization, and other minor surgeries when and if necessary. Please help continue our efforts of giving the very best to the dogs in our care.

Your support is vital! Not only are you helping our dogs get the medical care they deserve, you are giving them a second chance at life. Thank you!

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## What HOME Looks Like

#### REMEMBER BLIZZARD?

She arrived at Mackenzie's in 2016, she was 6 years old. Her owners no longer wanted her because she was unable to have any more litters. Mackenzie's helped her adjust, lose some weight, had her spayed and gave her a full medical workup. After all of that, she was medically cleared for adoption. She had much interest, but something always changed their minds; age, size, strength, potential medical needs and so on, until Aug. 2018. A Dane-loving family found her online profile and the match was made. Blizzard finally found her forever family! Your support helps Mackenzie's be a home along the way for dogs like Blizzard and so many others for as long as it takes to find a forever family. Mackenzie's never gives up on the dogs in our care. We hope you will continue to support our ongoing efforts in helping dogs in need, truly giving them a second chance at life.



## A Second Chance

THANK YOU to everyone who helped save this wonderful guy and let us be his parents."





Your support makes it possible for Mackenzie's to take in dogs like Wally and sadly, many others that end up being relinquished by their owners. Wally had Heartworm Disease and because of supporters like you we were able to bring him to Mackenzie's and give him the treatments he desperately needed to live a long healthy life. Mackenzie's is their home

along the way for as long as it takes, and because of you Wally and so many others are given a second chance in a 'FOREVER HOME'.

"Hi Mackenzie's Team! I just wanted to give you a Wally pupdate. He is doing AMAZING!!!! When we lost our previous Shepherd, I thought we were never going to find another dog like him, but Wally sure challenges that theory. He gets along well with the cats, though the newest cat is still unsure of him; he could care less about them, though. He's super loyal and follows us around constantly. Typically, I'm singing "My buddy, my buddy, my buddy and me ..." as he follows me around the house. We have been frequenting the local dog parks and he goes to doggy day care once or twice a week just to socialize. He's been to our family cabin twice already and loves it up there and enjoys hanging out in the screened in front porch. There hasn't been an accident or any destructive behavior in the house (besides an exploding orthopedic bed the first week, which he claims he had nothing to do with). He has full access while we're at work, though he still thinks the basement is too spooky to brave the steps. He's down to the high 70 pound range, which is where our vet wants him so no more dieting, which he's appreciative of. We will be starting obedience classes next week just to round out his training.

We also got his DNA test results back ... 100% German Shepherd! He does have both copies for DM (Degenerative Myelopathy), but we've already started him on joint supplements and turmeric golden paste so hopefully we can avoid it or delay its onset.

THANK YOU to everyone who helped save this wonderful guy and let us be his parents."

### Fall Open House Recap

What a GREAT event, because of you we were able to raise \$6,500! WOW! It was wonderful to see over 300 hundred people, with around 81 four legged friends attend this year's Fall Open House. We met new faces – human and canine – saw old friends and enjoyed showing off the current adoptable dogs of Mackenzie's. Every contribution from financial support, donation of dog-related items and sharing the story of Mackenzie's with friends and family is invaluable.

Not to mention, you filled our Escape to the roof with our 'Wish List' items – Just incredible! The dogs, staff and volunteers of Mackenzie's are so grateful for your generous support.

The adopted Mackenzie's dogs that were able to come back to see us that day, were given a second chance because of supporters like you. We could never thank you enough for the lives you have helped us save.

The dogs, staff & volunteers at Mackenzie's are so grateful for your love and support of our great cause.















## **Volunteers are the BEST!**

Volunteers are extremely important to fulfill Mackenzie's mission. The more volunteers the MORE: Love, walks, training, socialization & play time! More of everything these dogs need to succeed and find loving forever homes.

#### THE DOGS NEED YOU, WE NEED YOU!

#### Want to become a volunteer?

No better time than today! To get signed up for orientation, please visit our website to fill out our volunteer application!



Mackenzie's is dedicated to finding forever homes for abused, abandoned and neglected dogs. Up to 115 dogs receive daily care, food, training, medical care and the affection of staff and hundreds of volunteers. Our nonprofit is supported entirely through the charitable donations of individuals, businesses, foundations and caring people like YOU! Thank you for all you make possible!