Our Volunteers Rock!

After three months, we were finally able to re-open our doors to established volunteers! It was an uplifting and emotional time for the humans and dogs alike! Happy tears were shed by many, and tails wagged with much excitement!

Due to COVID-19 and so much uncertainty, many of our established volunteers are still unable to return to their volunteer duties at the sanctuary. However, just because they are not physically here, does not mean they are not still supporting and helping Mackenzie's! Our volunteers are sharing our social media posts, buying much needed supplies for the kennel, sewing and donating masks,

bringing our dedicated staff food/goodies, and sending us supportive and encouraging words during these trying times.

From the bottom of our hearts, we want to THANK all of our wonderful volunteers for everything you do to support our efforts of caring for rescue dogs in need!

Ways you can help...



CHOW HOUND has stepped in to help us in a HUGE way! We are excited to announce that the Grand Rapids area Chow Hounds are going to be asking their customers to donate a \$1 to Mackenzie's during check out! PRETTY AMAZING! We are so grateful for Chow Hound's continued support in our efforts of helping rescue dogs in need!

Help Mackenzie's by shopping at one of your favorite Grand Rapids Chow Hound locations.



Visit mackenzies.info to learn more about Donating, Sponsoring & Adopting! Together, we are making a HUGE difference in the lives of so many rescue dogs.

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, business, foundations and caring people like YOU! Thank you for





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The Gift of Health

Thanks to your continued support, the residents at Mackenzie's are given the *gift of time* to find their forever homes, along with high quality medical care. Your donations help dogs like Neuman, Guss, Emma, Theo, Joplin, and so many others receive medical treatments not only to improve their quality of life, but to extend it!

During a routine dental cleaning for **Neuman**, medical staff found an oral mass. The mass was removed and

came back as oral melanoma. Fortunately (and miraculously!), his chest x-rays and lymph node samples came back clear of cancer, and so far, he remains cancer free!

Guss came to us in August 2020 with several broken and missing teeth. With our dental x-ray, it was discovered that the teeth that appeared missing from the outside where actually broken beneath the gum line. Guss underwent extensive oral surgery and had 7 teeth removed. He is healed from his surgery and his mouth is no longer horribly painful from his broken teeth and is ready to find his forever home!

Emma and **Theo** came to us in July 2020. During routine heartworm testing, we learned that they were both infected with heartworms. **Joplin** tested positive for heartworms during routine heartworm testing in April 2020. Adult heartworms live in the heart and the pulmonary artery of dogs which results in long-term, irreversible damage to the heart/lungs if not treated. Heartworm treatment is a long process that lasts roughly 4 months. Although treatable, heartworm disease is 100% preventable with a once a month pill. Treatment is very costly, and the dogs who undergo treatment are required to be on strict activity restrictions for 5 months.







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HAPPY TAILS Olive's forever home story!

Olive arrived at Mackenzie's on September 24, 2013. She quickly became a staff and volunteer favorite due to her loving disposition with everyone she met. Like so many dogs in shelters, Olive was overlooked by potential adopters who were more interested in adopting younger dogs. As time went on, and sweet Olive aged, she inevitably acquired a few medical issues, which unfortunately caused even more potential adopters to bypass this sweet senior. Olive's luck took a turn for the better on June 28th when she was introduced to a mom and son who were looking to add a four-legged member to their family. Finally- after 2,469 days of waiting patiently, Olive met her forever family. It was love at first sight, for the humans and Olive alike!



Thanks to you, Mackenzie's has the resources to give dogs like Olive, and so many others, the gift of time and the second chance they desperately deserve to find their perfect match!

Ponate today to continue helping rescue dogs find their 'Forever Families'!