



# Caring Hearts Dog and Cat Rescue

*The Little Rescue with a Big Heart*

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Summer 2018

## This is Community

Because of you, more than 300 dogs and cats in need received assistance with veterinary care expenses this year; a third of which received low to no cost spay/neuter services. You also fed hundreds of hungry animals and covered transportation and boarding costs for lost and abandoned pets.

You took in strays and nursed them back to health and trapped feral cats so they could be spayed. You shared posts from our Facebook page to help reunite lost pets with their owners and became a voice for animals others had given up on.

Our goal at the beginning of the year was to improve the lives of 500 dogs and cats in 2018. Thanks to you, we are on our way to surpass this goal. None of us can do it alone, but we are seeing what's possible when we all work together – we are creating a better life and future through simple acts of kindness and compassion every day.

### Our Mission

To make a positive difference in the lives of dogs and cats by promoting health and well-being through community outreach, animal welfare education, and low-cost spay/neuter assistance.

### Vision

To make the world a better place one life at a time.

## How You Can Help

**Shop at the Caring Hearts Thrift Store** at 113 North Main Street in Laurie, Missouri.

### Consider donating:

- Gently used items to the Caring Hearts Thrift Store
- Pull tabs from aluminum cans
- Best Choice labels
- Dry or canned dog and cat food
- Your time – be a volunteer!
- Financial contributions
  - Shop AmazonSmile.com and select Caring Hearts Dog and Cat Rescue as your charity of choice
  - Click the DONATE button on the Caring Hearts Facebook page
  - DONATE through the Caring Hearts website at [www.caringheartsanimalrescue.org](http://www.caringheartsanimalrescue.org)
  - Make checks payable to **Caring Hearts** and mail to: PO Box 1684, Laurie, MO 65038



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## Jo-Jo's Journey



Jo-Jo Visiting the Caring Hearts Thrift Store

Hello! My name is Jo-Jo. I know I don't look it, but I am 15 years old. My mom adopted me when I was only 8 weeks old, so we've been together a long time. Mama calls me her "kid" and takes such good care of me. My life was wonderful, full of fun adventures, long walks and lots of play and snuggle time.

Then a couple years ago, a lump showed up on the back of my leg. It wasn't bothering me, but mama wasn't taking any chances. She took me to the vet straight away. The doc said it wasn't anything to be concerned about, but told mama to keep an eye on it.

Over the next couple of years, the lump continued to grow, and it inevitably started to hurt – I felt sick and didn't want to play anymore. That night I felt the lump burst and my mom rushed me to the vet. The lump had ruptured and we were told I needed surgery right away.

Mama has always taken such good care of me, but she didn't have money for an expensive surgery. She started to cry which made me feel even worse. Then the nice folks at Lake of the Ozark Animal Hospital told her to call Caring Hearts. She did, and she started to cry again, only this time it was different.

I was able to get the surgery I needed and I can't tell you how much better I feel! After I had time to recover, mama took me to meet the nice people at Caring Hearts. I don't usually warm up to strangers, but I could tell right away these humans were different. They gave me treats and made me feel so special – it was wonderful.

Thank you to everyone that helped me get the surgery I needed, but especially for helping my mama. She can't imagine life without me, and now she doesn't have to.



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**Looking for a companion? Consider adopting a new family member from our friends at *Stover Animal Rescue*. To meet your new family member contact Stover Animal Rescue at (573) 377-4355 or [stoveranimalrescue@gmail.com](mailto:stoveranimalrescue@gmail.com)**



**Dakota** is a beautiful 6 year old German Shephard mix that has been selected to take part in Caring Heart's first sponsored training program! Dakota is a sweet boy who just needs a little help learning to trust. Thanks to the kindness of a local dog trainer, Dakota will gain the confidence he needs to embrace the world and enjoy a happy life. We are so excited to see what the future holds for this beautiful boy!

**\*Buddy** is a super sweet kitty who gets along well with children and other cats. He was abandoned by his owner and left to fend for himself for months. You would think he would be distrustful of humans, but he just continues to show love and affection to everyone he meets. Buddy is looking for a forever family that can give him the life he's always deserved.

**Ellie** is a precious 6 year old black lab with the kindest eyes. She has been at the shelter since May 15<sup>th</sup>, is house trained and gets along great with children and other dogs. She was surrendered by her owner and doesn't understand why she is in a shelter. If you are looking for a great family dog, look no further – Ellie's your girl!

**Jack** is an adorable 6 year old beagle mix. He is house trained and gets along great with children and other dogs. Everyone who meets Jack falls in love with him. He is very gentle and well-mannered, and would make an ideal companion animal for a less active household.

**\*Eva** is a 3 year old super affectionate kitty. She came from a hoarding situation so it took her some time to adjust and trust people. Eva will need a less active home and a patient family that can continue to show her that not all humans are bad. Eva is a favorite at the shelter, but she is finally ready to find her forever home.

**Tucker** is a spunky 1 year old chocolate lab. He is very friendly and LOVES to play in the water. He gets along well with other dogs and has patiently been waiting for his forever home since May 31<sup>st</sup>. Tucker would fit in well with an active family where he can run, play and go on adventures.

*\*Adoption fees have been sponsored by friends of Stover Animal Rescue*

### Contact Caring Hearts

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