



PLACING PAWS

"in the hearts of their Forever Homes"

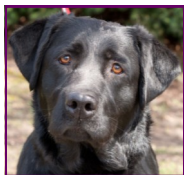
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Each year, as the weather starts turning chilly and most of you begin decorating and planning for the holidays; we can't help but look back at the previous year and all we've done. The challenges we've overcome, the amazing acts of kindness and courage we've seen, the senseless cruelty and neglect we were unable to ignore, and most importantly, the precious lives we've saved.

Because that's what we do— WE SAVE LIVES!

"... I saved one animal and it didn't change the world, but surely the world changed for that one animal..."

We are an all-breed, foster-based, dog and cat rescue based in Libertyville, IL. Our focus is to save dogs and cats that are in danger of being euthanized. You probably already know this but what does it really mean? It means we work with local shelters and vets; it means we work in areas where kill-shelters are in abundance, like Sikeston, Missouri; it also means that when disaster strikes in areas we don't usually rescue from, like Houston or Jacksonville, we help there as well. We help where we are needed, and we have been busy this year:



Lola and her Puppies:

Lola was found dodging traffic on the Southside of Chicago back in March. After some time she was caught, when an owner could not be located the finder took her to the vet. It was determined she was pregnant, that's when we were called in for help! She went into a foster home on April 1st and Lola blessed us with 12 puppies on Easter Sunday; you may remember the contest to name them. The family stayed in their loving foster home together until the babies were ready to be adopted. Lola and all 12 of her puppies have **found their forever homes and are thriving!**

Clooney:

Just look at this stunning boy! This is Clooney; he was found tied to a post (laying on concrete) in Rockford, IL back in August. This poor boy had pressure sores on his elbows; he was starving, and needed three courses of antibiotics to clear up kennel cough. He was a mere 56 pounds at shelter intake. He came to Placing Paws and went into a foster home. Just look at all his loving foster home has done for him! He is about five years old, neutered, fully vetted, is being socialized and *finally* loved. He's ready and **waiting for his forever home!**



Our Alphabet Kittens:

Meet the Alphabet Kittens! We brought these 10 cuties into rescue from deplorable conditions. They were born and living in the attic of a house that used buckets as windows! Yes—buckets instead of glass; not a great situation for these babies. All are about six months old, vaccinated, spayed/neutered and are absolutely thriving!



Featuring Anastasia and Josephine! These girls are very social, playful, and vocal and just love all the attention they can get! Josephine may come asking for attention a little faster, but Anastasia is not far behind! If they aren't purring away and cuddling, they are most likely playing with toys or exploring. These girls are both sweet, loving and affectionate.

All the Alphabet Kittens will do wonderfully with small children, dogs, as well as other cats.

Can you open your heart and home to one (or two!) of these sweet kittens?

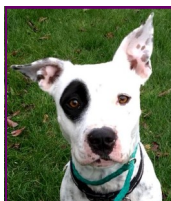
The Disaster Dogs:

In the aftermath of hurricanes Irma and Harvey, we rescued 16 dogs that were in shelters before the storms. That's right, 16 DOGS! These dogs came in all shapes, sizes, and ages! Three of them are heartworm positive and are still looking for foster homes where they can start their treatment!

Featuring ...



Decker - This sweet boy was a hunting dog in Texas. Apparently, they have a lot of wild boars in that area! He was saved by a disaster rescue team and when they asked if his owner wanted him back he said, "no, he's going to die soon anyway." This sweet, gentle senior is so grateful for his second chance. He has quickly learned the comforts of living inside with warm beds and blankets. He has been **adopted by his foster family** after he successfully melted their hearts.



Purdy - is a gorgeous girl who looks like a Dalmatian at first glance. When you look closer though, you'll notice she is actually a white dog with black spotted skin! She is also deaf, likely born that way. Upon an exam at the vet, we discovered that she is full of buckshot from a shotgun. It doesn't seem to be causing her any trouble though. Purdy is a very sweet dog, and absolutely LOVES kids. As fate would have it, the foster mom's nephew was looking for a dog just like Purdy. After a long trip to Arkansas with the foster mom, Purdy is **now in her loving forever home.**



All of our Disaster Dogs have been fully vetted, spayed/neutered, and **7 of them are still looking for their forever homes!**

Bubs and Snook:

These little brothers abandoned at the vet to be euthanized because their owner was moving ... without them. They were in horrible shape—terribly matted, and one had 18 teeth pulled and the other had 20 teeth pulled (adult dogs have about 42 teeth). They are doing great now, thanks to their foster home; are sweet, loving, dog and cat friendly, easy to handle and wonderful with kids! They are fully vetted and neutered. These brothers are about eight years old and are a bonded pair **looking for their forever family!**



Once a Placing Paws Pup, Always a Placing Paws Pup



Sweet Remy:

Back in the Spring of 2010, we rescued a litter of shepherd mixes. They were being given away for free and someone reached out to us to see if we could help. We transported them; they went into a foster home together, and were adopted one by one. One of those puppies was named Remy. Seven years later, in July, we were contacted by a shelter telling us they had Remy. She was an owner-surrender and would be put up for adoption if they didn't hear back from us within 24 hours. Of course, we called to tell them we wanted her. The problem was she was in a shelter over 400 miles away and not knowing her current temperament, could not place her in foster care. Lucky for us, one of our volunteers happened to be

traveling to the area the following weekend and offered to pick her up for us.

We never could have anticipated the sheltered, broken, ignored, and forgotten dog we were getting. Remy was not socialized with other dogs, or exposed to many life experiences. Saying she was an introvert is putting it lightly. Remy stayed at Care Animal Hospital and the amazing staff there, along with our loving volunteers started working with her daily. She slowly but surely began to come out of her shell. It took a lot of patience and love, but Remy is a completely different dog now! She is in a loving foster home, continuing to work on her social skills and building her confidence every day. She is spayed, and is **ready and waiting for her forever home.**

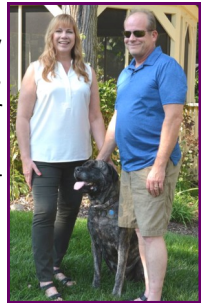


Soulful Kota

We took this gorgeous girl into our family for the first time in 2013, when she was given up by her family because they couldn't afford the care she needed for her allergies. We treated her allergies, got her healthy, and found her a new, loving home. A year later, we just happened to see her being given away for free on Craigslist. We were lucky to get her back ... again ... and she came to us in terrible condition ... again.

We got her healthy, and adopted to a new family in the Fall of 2014. In May of this year, that family reached out to us because they wanted her to find a new home ... again. Her allergies were just too much for them to manage.

Well, guess what? She had not found the right home, *not yet*. Well—look at Kota now! This sweet soul is living it up with her new parents, finally getting back the love she's been giving out all these years. Thank you, Kota, for trusting us, and for letting us help you find your TRUE Forever Home at long last! Third time's the charm!



We Can't do it Without Your Help

Placing Paws saves lives one adoption at a time. Each animal that comes to our rescue represents a life we have saved. We rely on your donations and our foster volunteers to save these precious lives! Please consider a donation this Holiday Season to help us continue to do what we do—SAVE LIVES.

Every dollar helps us continue our work; no amount is too small!

**We ask for your continued support so that we
can strive to save even more in 2018!**

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and make a donation***

Happy Holidays from your Placing Paws Family!

Christie, Cindy, and Becky

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on Facebook.***



In loving memory of Chance, Marley, Conan, Ebony, Gracie Mae, Lotto, Bo, Molly, Lucky, Otis, Dorrie, Cookie, Murphy, Kiera, Archie, Jax, Gabe and all of those who have crossed over the rainbow bridge.

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