D.R.E.A.M. update

Rescue - Rehabilitate - Rehome

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What and where is DREAM?

This is a very common question... We have no facility - but we do have a few foster homes. Part of our vision is to establish a "long term and quality care" animal sanctuary in our county (because county shelters are responsible for short term capture, control and short term caretaking.) Role models already exist in other states, and there are some great animal resource facilities in our neighboring counties. DREAM tries to pull dogs in need from county shelters when there is space available in a foster home. If there is no foster home available we try to share their information on FB because we know SHARING their picture and need to be rescued can SAVE their life.

Community support is AWESOME!

The support from individuals and families in our community has resulted in MANY dogs (now over 350) and cats being neutered, spayed, and vaccinated (at our LOW COST clinics)....and over 400 pets being vaccinated at our LOW COST vaccine clinic. Happy to report over 50 pooches (from shelters and owner surrenders) have been re-homed to either a new family or a rescue group in the past 4 years. THANK YOU community for your trust and support in the tremendous efforts from our DREAM volunteers motivated by their passion for pets to make a difference and save lives!

Help wanted, Help needed to TRANSPORT!

Every week requests are emailed to us for HELP with transport dogs <u>OUT of county kill shelters and into a new home or no kill rescue group</u>. You can help save the life of a dog by committing to transporting a dog (or 2 or 3) to a new location - usually about a 1 - 2 hour drive time. We drive North, South, East and West. No experience is necessary, but must love dogs, Gas cards available to help, <u>Details available on the HOW2HELP page at www.Dream4pets.org</u>

Fostering SAVES lives.... Help wanted!

OHIO county shelters are routinely FULL due to: lack of regulations on puppy mills, backyard breeders, and few spay/neuter requirements. County shelters only hold once owned family pets and strays for a very short time (requirement is 3 days). Living in this environment quickly causes high levels of stress and health issues to many dogs in combination with their lack of vaccines. DREAM can step up to help if/when FOSTER families are available. Many folks have contacted us about re-homing their dog, foster parents are a resource that is much needed by DREAM. Applications to foster are on the FOSTER page at www.Dream4pets.org

OTHER WAYS to HELP (and not foster)

"LIKING" our Facebook page and SHARING the information posted is one simple way to help rescue pets in need. AND, VOLUNTEERS are always needed to help with the many different activities and events throughout the year: festivals, clinics, dog training, fundraising, promoting our events, Transporting, donating financially OR from our WISH list, Sponsoring, OR participating in our fundraising event. Important NOTE: We are an official "501c3" organization which means your financial donation is tax deductible! MORE details on the HOW2HELP page of www.Dream4pets.org.

EVENTS COMING soon

LOW COST Spay / Neuter clinic JUNE 17th..... REGISTER NOW!

"Meet & Greet" our adoptables JUNE 21st PETCO, Troy, OH (next to Kohls)

PETFEST and RESCUE REUNION SEPT 17th, Waco airfield, County Rd 25A, Troy, OH

LOW COST Vaccines only OCTOBER date to be determined

MORE details on the EVENT page at www.Dream4pets.org

RESOURCES to HELP YOU

DREAM is constantly searching and reviewing resources about spay, neuters, vaccines, rescue groups, and literature about pets, pet behavior, healthy pets, and more! Here are some recommendations:

- WHOLE DOG Journal: http://www.whole-dog-journal.com/
- Learn more about breeds (before you adopt): http://www.dogsindepth.com/dog_breed_size_chart.html
- Short video on healthy cats and dogs: http://pets.webmd.com/
- Adopting a rescue dog: http://www.dream4pets.org/Adopting_Rescue_Dog.pdf
- Ohio pet legislation (bills, cases, laws): https://www.facebook.com/pages/Ohio-Voters-for-Companion-Animals-OVCA/476497349080766

MORE details on the RESOURCE page at www.Dream4pets.org

READY for Adoption

Toby, Gunner, Marty, Holly, Brutus, JR, Roman ... Our list changes monthly MORE details on the ADOPT ME page at <u>www.Dream4pets.org</u>

"When I LOOK into the EYES of an animal, I do not see an animal.
I SEE a LIVING BEING, I SEE a FRIEND, I FEEL a SOUL."

Anthony Douglas William