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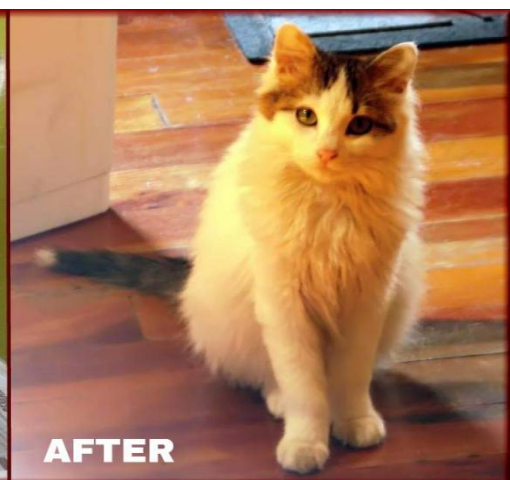
SPECIAL REPORT OF RECENT ACTIVITES



THANK YOU!



TAKE A LOOK AT THE ANIMALS YOU HELPED



These are examples of the 171 successful veterinary treatments during the past year via the FHSTJ veterinary care certificates. Read more below about how the FHSTJ Certificate Program provides rescued animals with immediate care.

VETERINARY CERTIFICATE PROGRAM AND OTHER SERVICES

The certificate program was initiated two years ago in order that rescuers could have immediate resources in hand and be able to immediately take an animal in need to a qualified veterinarian. They do not have to wait until they solicit sufficient funds to cover veterinary expenses. Lead rescuers have certificates that can be shared with people with limited resources as well as other rescuers throughout the city. Sick and injured animals no longer have to wait in pain and fear, sometimes for days or weeks, until they receive treatment. In addition to medical treatments via the FHSTJ Certificate Program, FHSTJ provided resources for **1000+ free spay/neuter surgeries** for pets of people with very limited resources; **1500+ treatments for mange and parasites** at street events; **85+ adoptions in San Diego and Tijuana**; and supported rescuers with an average daily census of 40 animals. The official IRS 990 fiscal year narrative will appear in the December newsletter and after FHSTJ files its report to the IRS which is due in November of 2019. Go to the web site www.friendsofhstj.org for this and other information and see animals you have helped.

How the FHSTJ Certificate Program saved a mother cat and kitten.



A pregnant cat [left] was rescued by a person with limited resources. The cat had severe difficulties giving birth. She had given birth to 4 dead kittens and one was stuck in the birth canal[right]. She was in severe pain and dying as was the kitten. An FHSTJ volunteer was contacted and immediately took her to a veterinarian. The mother cat and kitten were saved. [photos above]. See the video on the web site. Warning- some may find it too graphic or uncomfortable to watch.

SPAY AND NEUTER

FHSTJ currently supports four grassroots rescue groups doing spay and neuter. Information about future events appear on the Activities page of the web site www.friendsofhstj.org.



Surgery



Recovery

A TRIBUTE TO CHARLIE

There are times when we rescue animals that are so damaged physically or psychologically that they are not suitable to be adopted by persons who do not know how to cope with them. We are fortunate to have some rescuers who will take these animals, sometimes for the life of the animal, so that they can live out their life in a secure and loving environment. That was the case with Charlie. He was rescued by FHSTJ in 2008 from a "hoarder" who had him in a small cage for at least two years. He was malnourished, had a lot of muscle atrophy and extremely frightened. The vet estimated his age at that time to be about 4 years old. Since the time of his rescue, he remained with the same loving rescuer. FHSTJ has been providing Charlie and 25 other dogs like him with food, medicine, supplies and veterinary care. Charlie just passed away. He lived to the ripe old age of 15. Here is the last photo we have of Charlie with his care giver. He remained fairly healthy up until the last few days of his life. In spite of his advanced age he still wanted to stand and walk a bit. Charlie will be missed.



Charlie the Dog 2004-2019

Charlie's Companion

IF YOU APPROVE OF THE WORK WE ARE DOING, YOU CAN DONATE BY GOING TO THE WEB SITE www.friendsofhstj.org and clicking on DONATE.

Or

Send a check made payable to FHSTJ to the following address:

Friends of HSTJ

641 E. San Ysidro Blvd. #B3-431

San Ysidro, Ca 92173

Your donations are tax deductible. FHSTJ is an IRS approved charity #77-0704404

Be A Responsible Donor

Before you donate to an animal charity, the minimum you should ask is:

1. Is the organization approved by the IRS as a charity? Do they publish their IRS number so that you can avail yourself of the information if you choose.
2. How much and to whom do they pay salaries?
3. Do they provide donors with periodic reports?

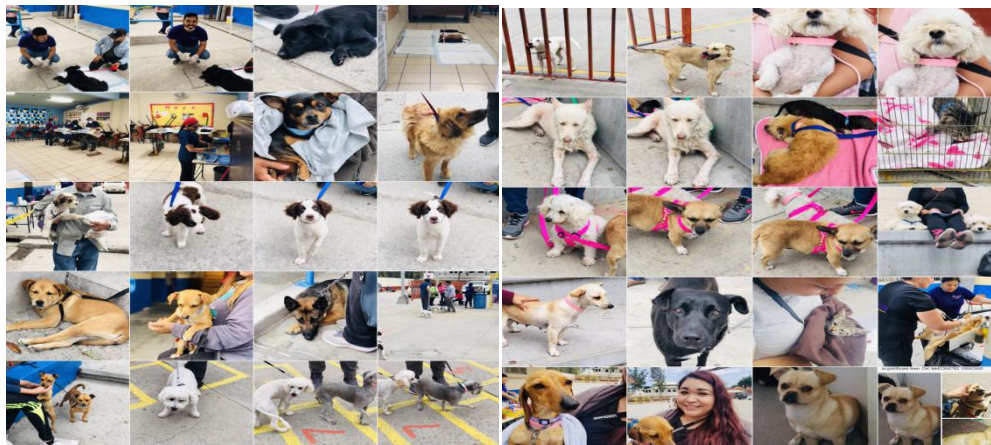
FHSTJ can respond to these questions:

Friends of Humane Services in Tijuana is an IRS approved 501 c 3 charity #77-0704404. Contact information: Direct your questions to the above address or by email to friendsofhstj@gmail.com

FHSTJ has one part-time office employee who monitors and records activity results, donations, and communications to insure that donors' gifts are used in the most efficient way possible. No volunteer, board member or officer of the board receives monetary or in-kind compensation. FHSTJ provides donors with two reports a year. Donors can review FHSTJ's work by visiting the web site: www.friendsofhstj.org

A SPECIAL APPEAL FOR MORE SUPPORT

When Olive Walker, a long time supporter of FHSTJ, passed away she left us an investment endowment that would provide an ongoing donation to equal her annual support. She also allowed it to be used for special circumstances. However, due to our successes, the requests to assist helpless animals has increased far beyond what our current donations support. We have had to liquidate some of the endowment and that means we get even less income. **At the current rate of donations versus expenses, we will have to cut back on the number of animals we serve by approximately 25%. Otherwise, in about three years, we would not be able to function due to having exhausted our resources.** If you want us to continue supporting animals at the current level, please consider an increase in your donation or help us to spread the word about our work so that more people will want to consider helping the FHSTJ animals.



Be An Ambassador

You can be a great help by spreading the word about helping animals in need. Be an ambassador for FHSTJ and send this information on to good people like yourself and who are genuinely concerned about animals.

Thank you for your continued support and for helping us help the animals.

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President, Friends of Humane Services in Tijuana