

# PBGV Health & Rescue Foundation 2022 Annual Report



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*The mission of the PBGV Health and Rescue Foundation is to promote the welfare of the breed by providing funding for research, education, rescue and breed preservation.*

## HEALTH and RESEARCH

We are fortunate that the PBGV is a very healthy breed. A critical aspect of maintaining the breed's health is to educate breeders and owners on prevention, diagnosis, and treatment of health issues relevant to the PBGV.

We extended the eye exam reimbursement program through 2023. This program encourages owners to have their PBGVs examined by a veterinary ophthalmologist and submit the test results to the open PBGV pedigree database.

As always, the Foundation teamed with PBGVCA to make a contribution to the city that hosts the National Specialty. In 2022, we donated pet oxygen masks to the St. Louis fire department. In 2023, our donation will help to supply equipment for the new K9 unit of the Kerrville police department.

## EDUCATION

In August, the AKC Canine Health Foundation will hold the 2023 National Parent Club Canine Health Conference. Participants will include representatives from AKC parent clubs and foundations, veterinarians, veterinary students from across the US, AKC Board members and staff, and animal health company representatives. This year the conference will be held 'face-to-face' in St. Louis, MO; however, this year there will also be an option for virtual participation.

## RESCUE

Nothing is more important than the work of the PBGVCA Rescue Committee. The Rescue Committee acts quickly when they hear of a PBGV that is endangered due to owner's illness or financial difficulties. The Foundation pays all approved expenses for the rescue, rehabilitation, and placement of purebred PBGVs. Thankfully, in 2022, the Rescue Committee was able to provide care for PBGVs in need without incurring expenses.

## THANK YOU

Your donations allow the Foundation to support its mission. We are very fortunate that the PBGV community is dedicated to the breed and donates to the Foundation to honor them. In addition to monetary donations, we accrue funds through bequests. We thank you for making our goals possible.

*Laura*