Our Paws’ Cause Thrift Shop Has Moved

We are so excited to announce that we have moved the Our Paws’ Cause Thrift Shop to a new and bigger location. The new address is 703 N Bullard, our hours will stay the same but we now have 8000 square feet to fill up with great deals for everyone in the family. Come on down and see for yourself. All proceeds go to the society’s H.A.L.T. spay and neuter program.

We want to thank the members of WMNU football team under the direction of coach Frank Tristan for all their help moving. Thank you Tytus Timoeo, Derrick Smith, Casey Courtney, Oly Taase, Isaac Iasona Crichton, Isley Moana, Sean North, Dimitri Akenten. Many thanks to Ace Hardware, J&J Signs, Jay Scott of Kiss My Glass Window cleaning, James Hamilton Construction Co., Dominoes Pizza and all the volunteers who came out to help clean, paint and make repairs to the building, merchandise, and set up the new store. Special thanks to all the OPCTS volunteers for the long hours of work to make this move a success. The building looks great!

Check out these before and after pictures !!!!

We even have room in our brand new store to have an area dedicated to pet supplies. Donations are welcome during regular business hour Tues to Sat. 10 am to 2 pm.
With Appreciation: Thank you for your monetary and in-kind donations to the High Desert Humane Society. With your support we can continue to feed, house and care for the animals in our shelter. Thanks also to the many volunteers who give of their time to help support events, socialize animals, work around the shelter and at Our Paws’ Cause Thrift Shop as well as assist with public awareness and education. Dog walkers, we are grateful for your continuing to help exercise and socialize our furry friends. Thanks also to the volunteers who come to play with our feline friends, you brighten their days in so many ways! Thank you, the little things you do mean a great deal to our facility. We appreciate that you think of us throughout the year. And a very special thanks to those folks who come to the shelter to search for and adopt a furry friend to share in their life.


BAKE SALE and FOOD DRIVE

Kiwanis Kids from Stout headed by Mr Duran held their annual food drive and bake sale during the March Vaccination Clinic. Each year this group sells homemade baked goodies, bottled water and also brings in pet food and supplies that have been donated. Parents volunteer to help so that students can take some of our adoptable dogs for walks. This year they made almost $200.00. Awesome job everyone and thanks.
Dear Friend & Supporter,

Join us on May 11, 2019 for Give Grandly: 24 hours of giving to make our region stronger and create a thriving community for all. Give Grandly brings the region together as one community, raising money and awareness for our local nonprofits during the 24-hour online giving challenge.

Your generous donations, whether large or small, help us to carry out our mission of providing community education and shelter care. It may also help us fulfill our dream of building a new adoption facility.

We need you to help us with four things:
1. Mark Give Grandly! on your calendar for Saturday May 11
2. Bookmark this giving link: https://givegrandly.civicore.com/humanesociety and on May 11th please make a donation to support us.
3. Spread the word! Follow us on Facebook at “Silver City High Desert Humane Society”. Follow the hashtags #GiveGrandly #GiveLocal to see the buzz.
4. Come down to the Silver City Farmers’ Market at 7th and Bullard Streets on opening day – May 11 from 8:30 am – 2:30 pm -- to meet us, other nonprofits, and learn about the great work we’re doing in this community

Give a little. Give a lot. Give Local. Give Grandly!

Thank you for your support!

Sincerely,

[Signature]

Heidi Ogas
Board President
Americorps NCCC

Members of Americorps are in town volunteering their time and muscles to help out around the Humane Society. Today the team moved some base course in our backyard to help with some on going drainage problems. Then they walked dogs and bathed some of the puppies. Next week they plan to come help repair some of our walking paths to make it easier for our dog walkers to get around. Many thanks for helping out, you did a great job!

Our Paws’ Cause Thrift Shop Needs Volunteers

We have so much more space at the new shop at 703 N Bullard that we need more volunteers. Thanks to the donated items from the community the shop has become a substantial fundraiser. Net profits support the High Desert Humane Society’s HALT spay and neuter program.

Volunteers can set their own schedule. We are open for business four days a week, Wednesday through Saturday from 10 am to 2 pm.

Volunteers may commit to work a few hours a month, one day a month, or one day a week or more. No minimum hours are required. So, if you're agreeable to sorting and pricing our donated items or running the register, then you're ready to volunteer toward a common goal.

Please call and leave your contact information at the High Desert Humane Society 575-538-9261..... Send us an email to: hdhs@gilanet.com or stop by the shop during business hours and pick up an application. It's a great way to meet friendly customers and get involved with our great community.

Americorps NCCC

This fine group lead by Naome Clancy with Stephanie Jacobs, Sarah Camallo, came all the way from Arizona to help out around the shelter. They worked on trails, trimmed bushes and then gathered up the limbs for removal before they spent some time with the dogs and cats. Good job folks! Thank you Brian Ellington, Deagan Jacobs, Clayton Jacobs, Max Clancy, Gabe Clancy, Ben Clancy, Wylie St. Clair, Mia Camallo, Antonio Caltaneda and Laren Camallo for all your hard work. It was great having you here and we hope you come back soon.

Mighty Mountain 4-H Club

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Class from Aldo Leopold

We had a group from Aldo Leopold come for a field trip. Students took a tour of the facility, visited with animals and had a question and answer session with shelter staff. Shown above, are Maria Chaney teacher, Cedar, Olivia, Zev, Victoria, Jofdyn, Phini, Mqkiah, Perisha, James, Pranay, Isabellal, Seth, Cassidy Illimani, and Emma. Thank you for coming out we had a great time.

Volunteer of the Year

The High Desert Humane Society is pleased to announce that Alice Boyden has been named as Volunteer of the Year. She was nominated by Barbara Ashby who wished to recognize her for her dedication as a dog walker, dog whisperer and cat cuddler. She also volunteers at the Our Paws' Cause Thrift Shop, the monthly shot clinic and is a board member. Thank you, Alice, for all your hard work.

It Was Party Time.

Ryley Quimbly recently had a birthday and instead of asking for presents she asked for pet food donations for the Humane Society. What a great way to celebrate a special day! Thank you Ryley and Callum Quimbly, Adalia Arzate and Leo Arzate for thinking about the animals in our care.
Europe’s First Dogs Disappeared After Neolithic Farmers Arrived With Their Own Pups.

Around 9,000 years ago, farmers from the Near East, where agriculture first began, loaded up their domesticated sheep and pigs, collected some barley and lentils and began heading into Europe and Asia, spreading the new agrarian lifestyle to new parts of the world and they brought something else with them, too: their dogs. Over the course of several thousand years, those farm dogs eventually genetically replaced the dogs already living in Europe.

The history of the bond between humankind and dog kind is surprisingly long and complex. Evidence suggests dogs were domesticated 20,000 to 40,000 years ago and we know that early farmers in the Near East, including in Iraq, Syria, Lebanon, Jordan, Israel and Egypt, lived with domesticated dogs and Neolithic hunter-gatherers in Europe also had domestic dogs. What we didn’t know is whether those farming groups brought their dogs with them when they set off into the wider world. To find out, researchers examined the remains of 99 sets of dog remains from 37 archaeological sites around Europe and the Near East, stretching from the Mesolithic to the Bronze Age confirming that they did indeed bring them with.

Looking at the mitochondrial DNA of the dogs, which can be used to track a common ancestor, the researchers found that all the dogs in Europe came from lineage called haplogroup C. But as that farming culture spread across Europe between 9,000 and 6,000 years ago, those C-group dogs were slowly replaced by dogs from haplogroup D, which originated in the Near East, until the C-group genetics more or less vanished.

It’s not quite clear why the genetics of the farm dogs were more dominant than the indigenous dogs. It’s possible that they had some adaptations that made them more suited for living among human agrarianists. It is also possible the indigenous dogs became infected by diseases they had no resistance to, decimating their numbers.

Anyone who has lived with a dog should not be surprised that Fertile Crescent farmers brought their puppers with them as they journeyed into the unknown. While the dogs probably served a purpose like guarding livestock, it’s possible they were seen like dogs are today: as part of the family.

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