



THE TAILBEARER

NEWSLETTER OF THE HUMANE SOCIETY OF SAN BERNARDINO VALLEY,
CELEBRATING OVER 50 YEARS OF SERVING ANIMALS.

August 2022

Donations Needed

As all of us know all too well, rising costs, staff shortages and supply chain issues continue to be a challenge to all of us personally and professionally.

We first want to take this moment to again thank you for the support you have showed us since the very start of the pandemic. We will never forget the calls, emails and donations that came in to help support our programs and services while we successfully fought to stay open and avoid interruption of our services. We will also never forget the support that was shown for our virtual fundraisers as well as our mail in donations during such an uncertain time when we could not host “in person” events. We will most certainly never forget the patience our volunteers had and continue to have with changing situations and protocols. We would not be where we are today without each of you! Thank you!!



While society and businesses may be “fully opened,” things have changed. We have to ask again for your support at this time as we did back in 2020. While a lot of the uncertainty is gone and we have slowly one by one returned to in person events, it is not the same. We understand some individuals are still resistant to be in crowds. We have modified our events to fit people more comfortably and we have done our best to be very creative with our fundraising efforts.

As you know, the Humane Society of San Bernardino Valley (HSSBV) is not part of, affiliated with or funded by the Humane Society of the United States, the ASPCA, any county/city/state government or any other organization. We are a privately funded 501(c)3 non-profit generating funding on our own through fundraising events, grant applications and the generosity of the individual donors in our community.

At this time, we are relying on the generosity of you, our donors and supporters, as we charge forward offering our low cost veterinary services, humane education program and cruelty investigation program for the remainder of this year and beyond. We hope that you can support us as generously as you have in the past, Your help is needed now more than ever!
Donation envelopes is enclosed.

Girl Scouts Help Keep Pets Warm & Comfortable!



We would like to thank Girl Scouts, Ashely Do and Jaslynn Tiet, along with their parents, for their generous donation of time and talent, making blankets of varying sizes for the HSSBV surgical recovery department.

These blankets will be used to make pets more comfortable as they await and wake up from surgery.

Thank you so much!

IMPORTANT DATES

Saturday Shot Clinic
August 20

Paint Your Pet
August 27

HSSBV closed
September 3 - September 5

Saturday Shot Clinic
September 17

Saturday Shot Clinic
October 1

Blessing of the Animals
Tuesday, October 4

Casino Night
Saturday, October 15

Saturday Shot Clinic
October 15

Saturday Shot Clinic
November 5

Santa Paws
Saturday, November 19

Saturday Shot Clinic
November 19

HSSBV closed
November 24 - 27

Saturday Shot Clinic
December 3

Saturday Shot Clinic
December 17

HSSBV Closed
Dec 23, 2022 - Jan 2, 2023



HUMANE EDUCATION PROGRAM

The School Year Came to an End with a Tour & Field Trip!

Our Humane Education Teachers concluded the 2021- 2022 school year visiting with Virtual Academy students, their families, and friends. This was the first time these students met their teachers in person all year.



In March, we visited their virtual classroom and brought their research based state test preparation about service animals to life by showing how Lisa trains Maverick to become a service dog. The students read three articles about service dogs and had to answer the question, “What qualities are needed in a service dog?”. We also learned very quickly that this was an animal loving, kind-hearted class. After sharing with the class about the Stars of Hope Organization, we decided, as a class, to set a date to come together and continue spreading kindness to the world together.

Earlier in the day, we learned all about the Stars of Hope, what they represent, and why we make them. The students planned their stars on paper and allowed the creativity to flow as they put their hearts into these creations. All in all, the kids were excited to know that their star would one day be someplace where hope is needed. At the same time, Lisa presented their teacher with a Star of Hope in memory of her dog who recently passed away. He was a big part of their class for most of the year and it was a very special and meaningful way to celebrate his life with the people who loved him most.

Furthermore, the students had the opportunity to learn about therapy dogs and the difference between them and service dogs. The 11 year old therapy dog, Image, made his final appearance as a therapy dog. His presence brought lots of smiles and laughter. Students were able to learn about his story and give him the best send off into retirement with lots of pets, hellos, and love. They asked great questions and furthered their knowledge about the proper care of animals.

Our Humane Education teachers are grateful to have been invited into classrooms and visit with such caring, empathetic, and compassionate students and teachers. And we are looking forward to 2022- 2023!

Humane Education Starts Early- Even in Preschool!

The HSSBV Humane Education team and partners brought smiles and laughter to students attending First Congregational Church Las Familias Preschool in San Bernardino!

Image, an eleven year old Pug, enjoyed demonstrating how to be safe around dogs. The children took him for a walk on a leash around the inside of their classroom, brushed and combed him, filled his water dish, offered him a treat, and best of all he felt their love as they gently pet him.



Image and our Humane Education teachers are very grateful to have been invited to spend such a fun day with FCC Las Familias Preschool students and their teachers!

Par-Tee for Paws Presented by Nexgard a Big Hit!



Thank you so much to the awesome staff at Topgolf for such a great experience during our Par-Tee for Paws Topgolf Tournament! Thank all of YOU for attending and supporting this event.

Together, we raised over \$20,000 for our programs and services.

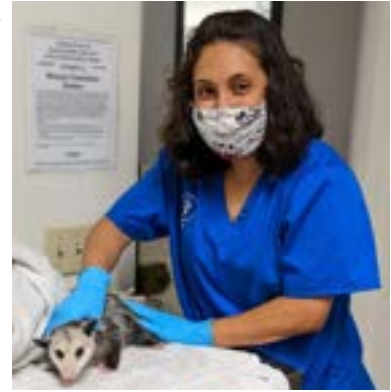


CRUELTY INVESTIGATION PROGRAM

Opossum Rescue!

Sometimes animals get themselves into unusual and potentially dangerous situations. This happened a few weeks ago to a young opossum who thought the engine of a Camaro would be a neat hiding place. Fortunately for the opossum, the car owner realized the critter was in her engine and thought it would be too dangerous to drive the car. The car owner contacted us at the HSSBV and our staff headed out to help!

Upon arrival on the very hot summer afternoon, we located the opossum in the Camaro engine bay. Thankfully, we found the opossum was okay, just refusing to leave the engine. Our staff explained to the car owner that we could not take apart anything on the car due to liability issues, but the owner was concerned for the safety of the animal. After several attempts to access the opossum, we were able to encourage it into an accessible area by gently squirting it with water and safely remove it without any damage to the car, our staff, or the now damp opossum.



The opossum was transported to the HSSBV clinic and examined by our veterinarians. It was determined that the animal was slightly dehydrated and hot, but otherwise healthy. The opossum spent the next few hours at the HSSBV getting rehydrated and cooling off. By the end of the day, the opossum was ready for release and was relocated.

While HSSBV does not employ mechanics or contractors who can take apart cars or buildings to get to a trapped animal, you can always call us to see if we can assist. We help where we can and advise people to critter proof their property. This situation ended happily due to the car owner caring for an unlucky animal and realizing it needed help. Fortunately we were able to rescue and relocate the opossum! As always, be a voice for those that don't have one.

Save the Date for Santa Paws Pet Photos & Holiday Boutique!

Santa is stopping by to pose for photos with all the good boys and girls (human and four-legged) on Saturday, November 19th!

You won't want to miss your photo with Santa (pets, children and the entire family are all welcome), shop our unique vendors for pets and people to kick off your holiday shopping, grab a snack and enter to win FABULOUS prizes!

Photo Pricing

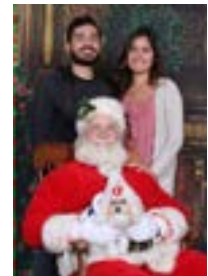
*Cash encouraged. Card payments available. No checks.

5x7 printed ON SITE during the event: \$10 Each

Digital images emailed to you within one week: \$15 PER POSE

(multiple shots of the same pose/group are included.

If you would like the digital file of just your pets, and then your pets and human family members, this would be two separate \$15 charges).



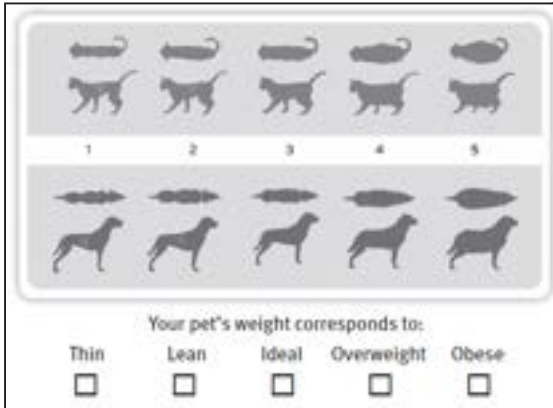
**Please note additional fees will apply to larger groups who may need additional editing on their photos.*

NEW THIS YEAR- Join Dances with Dogs Training Center on the back grass for a Pooch Play Area! This is a fun way to spend time while you wait your turn for your photo or when waiting for your photos to print!

Photo registration is open from 8:00 am – 12:00 pm. Raffle winners will be pulled at 12:30 pm, with the event coming to a close at 1:00 pm.

Have questions or need more information? Call us at 909-386-1400 ext 224!

FROM THE VET'S DESK- DR. JOYCE & DOGTOR APOLLO



Over 25% of cats and dogs seen by a veterinarian are overweight. This statistic should prompt every pet owner to be vigilant and monitor their dog's or cat's weight. Any excess weight is harmful to the pet's health.

Why is my pet no longer at an ideal weight?

Excess weight occurs gradually when the pet takes in more energy than it expends. Any unused calories ingested are stored in the form of fat. This results in an accumulation of excess fat in the body. Some breeds (such as the Labrador) are known to be prone to weight gain. However, a good healthy diet will enable them to maintain their ideal weight.

A neutered pet's metabolism is lower. But the pet will not necessarily gain weight if its diet and daily feeding amount are adapted to its life style and it has a sufficient amount of exercise.

Causes of excess weight

Excessive Calorie Intake

- Food high in fat
- Constant access to highly palatable foods
- Excess food consumption (snacks, left-overs)

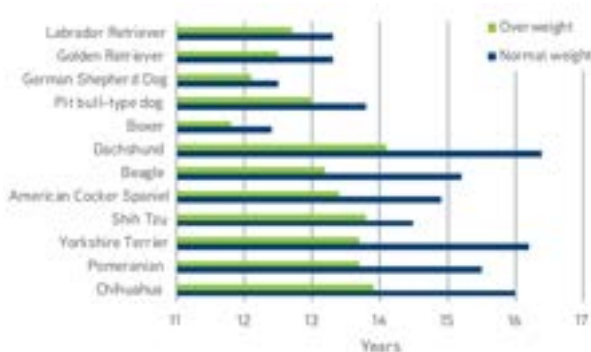
Insufficient Calorie Expenditure

- Low metabolism (depending on breed, sex, age)
- Low level of physical activity

What are the effects of excess weight on my pet's health?

Dogs and cats who are overweight or obese are more vulnerable and more prone to develop certain diseases.

A shorter life expectancy – It has been proven that overweight dogs have shorter lives than those of a normal body weight. Below is a chart of average life expectancy of overweight and normal pets, separated by breed. As you can see, overweight pets have a much shorter lifespan!



Joint diseases (such as osteoarthritis) – In large breeds, excess weight can lead to joint disorders that are often irreversible. A vicious circle develops in an overweight pet suffering from joint disease: the heavier it is, the less it will move about.

Cardiac and respiratory diseases

Diabetes mellitus – Overweight cats are six times more likely to develop diabetes mellitus compared to cats with an ideal body weight.

Poor coat and skin quality

Increased surgical and/or anesthetic risks

What are the keys to success?

1. Your motivation – Your own personal involvement is a key factor in the success of your dog's or cat's diet. You are responsible for controlling his/her diet, treats, snacks and level of exercise. Without your determination to succeed, weight loss is impossible.

2. Diet – It is important to limit the amount of calories that your pet is getting. We recommend switching your pet's food to a:

1. Prescription diet food: Prescription diet foods are designed to be lower in calories, and have the best chance of achieving weight loss. These diets often contain a fiber blend from fruits and vegetables to help your pet feel full and satisfied between meals. This is the best option for your pet to lose weight. Please contact our office if you want to switch your pet to a prescription diet food.

2. Over the counter (OTC) weight loss formulas: These foods are labeled as "light", "weight loss", or "diet" dog foods. They are lower in calories per kibble than regular kibble. They are often slightly calorie restricted, so they can help your pet lose weight. If your pet is not successful on an OTC diet food, it is recommended to switch to a prescription diet food.

3. Feed an appropriate amount of food – It doesn't matter what your pet eats if they consume too much of it. Look at the side of the bag of dog food. Look at how much it says to feed for your pet's ideal body weight (not current weight). Measure out the exact amount of food required each day, using a standard measuring cup. This simple gesture is vital in controlling the amount of food your pet consumes. You can divide up this amount and spread it over two (or even three) meals throughout the day.

4. No snacks – Give your pet nothing to eat other than his daily health food ration. No snacks, no left-overs. Reward him by taking him for a walk or playing games, or even save a few of his kibbles from each meal and use those as treats.

5. Exercise – Encourage your pet to take some exercise: play with your dog or cat, take him out for regular walks and play games throughout the day.

6. Rechecks – It is important to monitor your pet's progress by weighing every 2-4 weeks. If weight loss is not successful by 3 months, call to schedule an exam for your pet so that we can discuss next steps.

THANK YOU TO ALL OF OUR VOLUNTEERS!

Volunteer of the 1st Quarter- Marianne Dodds

Marianne joined our reception team as a volunteer in 2021 and has donated over 100 hours of her time and talent since then! She is always checking in on what our needs are to make sure she can adjust her schedule to come in when we need help the most.

Originally she wanted to volunteer with the HSSBV because it gave her an opportunity to help animals and their people. "I strongly believe in the motto displayed in the reception area that states that everyone at the HSSBV is dedicated to the compassionate care of animals. I have seen first hand that compassion extends to the people who want the best for their pets," she says.



Marianne enjoys all the new people and animals she gets to meet, as well as learning a new skill as she volunteers.

Marianne's life has been blessed by many four legged friends including: B-2 (stealth bomber), a cat; Dunkin, a Golden Retriever; Kelsey, a black Labrado; Noelle, a Pit Bull; and Remy, a terrier mix. She is looking forward to the new "kids" that will join her family soon!

In her spare time, Marianne enjoys walks, reading, traveling, shopping and gardening.

Thank you for all you do, Marianne! Congratulations!

Volunteer of the 2nd Quarter- Victoria Salazar



Victoria's relationship with the HSSBV started several years ago when she was ten! "My cousin and I would collect newspapers, towels, blankets and recyclables from our families. We would then put the money earned towards items on the HSSBV wish list," she says. "In middle school and high school (up until I left for college), my grandpa and I would bring newspapers and items I purchased to the HSSBV. We continued this tradition as I came home from breaks."

When Victoria returned to the area she started volunteering in the surgical recovery department, eventually transitioning to a volunteer role in our fund development department and has been invaluable to us, especially as we prepared for the 50th Anniversary Gala!

Victoria has a gray tabby cat named Gracie she brought home with her from school in Texas. When he is not volunteering, she enjoys spending time with family, going to the beach with her cousins, cooking dinner with her grandma, and watching movies with her mom. She is also an avid reader.

Victoria's creativity, organizational skills and determination to complete projects is appreciated by all of us at the HSSBV!

Congratulations, Victoria!



Interested in dog training?

Contact our friends at Dances with Dogs Training Center!

They use humane training techniques and classes are held at our facility.
For more information visit danceswithdogstc.com or call 909-496-5356.

CASINO NIGHT IS FINALLY BACK!



CASINO NIGHT IS BACK! We know you are as excited as we are!

Join us on Saturday, October 15th for all the fun, games and costumes you remember, with a few new surprises!

Tickets are on sale now (www.hssbv.org or in person at our office!) and are \$50 each. Your ticket includes: entry to the event, dinner, dessert, one drink ticket, one raffle ticket and \$100 casino cash to get things started.

As you enjoy the casino games you can work towards earning more casino cash to turn in for raffle tickets! Don't feel like playing? Turn your \$100 cash in for raffle tickets when you arrive and/or purchase more raffle tickets or casino cash at any time! Our raffle packages never disappoint, so you will want as many chances to win as possible. We will also award best costume certificates at the end of the night!!

Enjoy dancing to all the hits played by DJ Greg Holla, take your chance at our prize wheel for \$5 each spin, and come ready to bid on unique and gorgeous dog houses, bird houses and bird feeders!

NEW THIS YEAR!

Stop and have your caricature done by Darlene Douthit from 4:30 -8:30 starting at just \$20. Want a caricature of your pet drawn as well? Just bring a well-lit photo on your phone to show!

As you know, this is a costumes encouraged party!! However, if you are coming "as is" or just need a little boost to your costume look, Tammie Face Art So Sweet will be here from 4:30 – 6:30 with face paint, glitter and more to help you out with options starting at just \$2!

The best part? When you have a caricature or face painting done, you are also donating to the HSSBV!

We cannot wait to celebrate with you again!

At this time, sponsorship options are still available!

Please contact Jill Henderson at jhenderson@hssbv.org or 909-386-1400 ext 224 for more information.

To purchase your tickets please visit hssbv.org, stop by our office (374 W Orange Show Road, San Bernardino) or call 909-386-1400 ext 218 or 224.

*Please note that this event is cash and check only (other than auction).

HSSBV Employees Celebrate Anniversaries!

Please join us in celebrating these HSSBV employee anniversaries September - December:



Officer Mike Ashbaker
Christina Deangelis
Marlene Godoy
Jill Henderson
Christina Marin
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Irene Vega

THANK YOU TO ALL THOSE PEOPLE WHO SUPPORT THE MISSION OF THE HSSBV!

Donations from April 1, 2022 - July 31, 2022

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We would also like to thank the following supporters who generously donated \$100 or more from April 1, 2022 - July 31, 2022

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 Monday-Friday 8 AM - 5:00 PM

Veterinary Clinic Hours-
spay/neuter, vaccination, exams, etc.
 Monday - Friday 8:30 AM - 4:30 PM
 PLEASE call 909-386-1400 to make
 an appointment.

Saturday Shot Clinic
 Held on the first and third Saturday
 each month from 8 AM- NOON.
 *Some SSC dates are closed due to observation of
 holidays.

Appointment Phone Lines
 Monday - Friday 8:30 AM - 4:30 PM
 Please keep in mind when contacting the HSSBV by
 phone, our call volume is extremely high, especially on
 Mondays, Fridays and before/after holidays. Our normal
 call volume, combined with lasting effects from the
 pandemic can lead to extended hold times. You also have
 the option to leave a voicemail. On average, a return call
 can take up to three business days.
 We appreciate your understanding and patience.

WISHES & WAGS

- **Dog houses** (new or in good condition)
- **Laundry detergent** HE (unscented)
- **Towels** (new & used)
- **Dog, Cat, Puppy & Kitten food**
- **Dog sweaters, especially holiday themed**
- **Kitty litter** (scoopable)
- **Dog & Cat beds and toys**
- **Blankets and towels** (new or gently used)
- **Office supplies, colored paper**
- **Pillowcases**
- **Newspapers**

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 We have opportunities for volunteers 18 and over
 in several areas!
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 or **apply online at www.hssbv.org**.

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 Thank you!

- **Donate-** use the enclosed envelope to donate, or visit our website www.hssbv.org to donate online!
- Support our fundraising events!
- Choose HSSBV when you shop on Amazon Smile!
- Thinking of sending flowers? Choose Orange Blossom Florist in San Bernardino and mention us! We will get a percent of your purchase donated back!
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- Donate gift cards

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