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Rescuing at Risk Dogs & Cats in Southern California since 1992

HAPPY HOLIDAYS FROM ALL OF US AT CARE!



The Irvine shelter reached out to C.A.R.E. on behalf of Ralph, a very special kitty they had in their shelter. He originally came to the shelter as a stray when he was 4 months old and he was very scared and withdrawn. The shelter worked with him and finally, he turned into a sociable cat who likes to sit by you, loves toys, treats, is very active and smart, but needs to seek affection on his own terms. He was adopted out and the shelter advised the adopter how to handle Ralph, but adopter clearly did not listen. Within a month the adopter wanted to "open the door and see if a coyote would eat Ralph" because he wasn't snuggly. So, poor little Ralph was returned to the shelter and now his only choices were that a rescue group take him or euthanasia. Welcome to CARE Ralph, we love you just the way you are!!

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Dear Supporters,

As 2018 draws to an end, we look back with gratitude to our friends who have made our lifesaving work possible. Seeing the contentment of our cats and dogs is the year round gift that inspires us to do even more. Our newest residents will experience a holiday season vastly different from the prior years. **Instead of privation, loneliness and fear, they will share the love and comfort that your generosity provides.** The "kindness of strangers" is alive and well in our humane community, and we are blessed to count you among our group. Even though you may never meet our cats and dogs in person, please know that your spirit of compassion puts wags in the dogs' tails, purrs in the cats' throats, and joy in our hearts.

2018 marks the 20th anniversary of our sanctuary. **CARE has always been, and will continue to be, 100% no-kill**. We look forward to 2019 as year in which we can expand our services, save more lives, and find more homes for cats and dogs desperately in need of human kindness. CARE is proud to do its part to create a more humane world as we lend a helping hand to the "Save Them All" campaign and "No Kill LA" movement.

Holiday season is here – and with it, the joy of sharing the season with family and friends. We are so grateful for how lucky and blessed we are. Unfortunately, not everyone is so lucky. Yes, dear friends, now is a time to show that we care about the less fortunate - human and four-legged friends that they all matter. It is a time to lend a helping, healing hand and renew our faith in humanity. CARE and our Sanctuary's more than 300 cats and dogs are hoping and praying for your helping hand and gift of love. We and they need you more than ever; no amount is too small - everything helps. We rely on you, and ONLY with your HELP can we and our rescued dogs and cats have a better tomorrow. Please check our Facebook for updates photos and videos of the progress of the new buildings. https://www.facebook.com/care4pets.org

May peace, joy, and love visit you and your loved ones this holiday season and all year long! Happy Holidays, Merry Christmas, Happy Chanukah. Peace on Earth and Goodwill to All!

Thank you so very much for your generosity and friendship!

Maria Porter

Maria Porter -Sanctuary Manager – Secretary-Treasurer





PLEASE DONATE TO C.A.R.E.!

There are so many ways to help!

- Donate cash, checks, money orders or stocks.
- **Call 1-800-456-5517** to donate a car.
- **Leave C.A.R.E.** as a beneficiary in your trust, will, or life insurance.

Write or e-mail mail@care4pets.org for info on these as well on internet support opportunities.

Here is a list of just a few of our monthly needs:

- **❖** 1,800 Pounds of Dry Dog Food
- ❖ 1,800 Pounds of Moist Dog Food
- **❖** 5,000 Pounds of Cat Litter
- **❖** 1,900 Pounds of Dry Cat Food
- **❖ 1,900 Pounds of Moist Cat Food**
- **❖** 1,000 Pounds of Disinfectant



Please give today so we can keep the cats and dogs in our sanctuary safe and well cared for, and to save more cats and dogs at risk; their survival depends on us! Our future, their future, depends on your generosity and kindness! The animals in this issue and many more at the C.A.R.E. sanctuary are looking for homes of their own!

There is so much beauty in seeing the sweet, loving bond formed between animals!!



Make your tax deductible donations at www.care4pets.org. We can't do this without you!!!!



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Enjoying playtime with Tomy!!!

Supported entirely by donations from individuals and foundations, C.A.R.E. maintains a no-kill, cage-free "Home Sweet Home" for 300 plus homeless cats & dogs in a rural area north of Los Angeles. The C.A.R.E. sanctuary is licensed by the County, proudly earning "A" ratings at every inspection! We are committed to saving the lives of homeless dogs and cats by rescuing at-risk animals, placing adoptable pets in homes of their own, and caring for those awaiting adoption (even those considered "unadoptable"), for the rest of their lives if need be. The C.A.R.E. sanctuary demonstrates that is possible to provide a comfortable and loving home for groups of "unwanted" or "surplus" animals who otherwise would have, at best, an uncertain future. By supporting C.A.R.E., you are not only helping many wonderful animals, you are also standing up for the idea that animals do matter, and that they deserve loving care!



Another call, another innocent soul at risk. Percy was relinquished to the San Diego Humane Society by her owner. The shelter told us Percy shows "high levels of resource guarding" (she would growl if a treat or toy were taken away), in addition to some "restraint sensitivity" (fear of leash or being held). Percy is also dog selective. Due to Percy's issues, she unfortunately wasn't a candidate for adoption through the shelter. Therefore, that is how Percy became part of the C.A.R.E. family and her second chance to have a long life of love and safety. Please donate to HELP us HELP them.