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The Paw Print

I want to start with a gigantic THANK YOU to all of you. Because of your support, we were able to make this year's #GivingTuesday the best to date.

We raised an amazing \$22,950 on this year's #GivingTuesday. Then we included the generous match by our Board of Directors, which brings the #GivingTuesday grand total to **\$30,950!**

Thank you all for helping us save more lives. We are so thankful to have such a supportive community and are forever grateful for everyone's kindness. Please enjoy this month's impact newsletter that is all made possible because of **YOU!**



Welcome to the Paw Print!

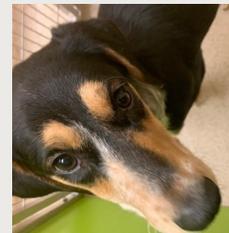
It's the holiday season, and oh how I love the holidays! Spending time with loved ones, decorating for Christmas two months early, listening to Christmas music anytime I can, eating more than usual, and of course...the snow. The snow can be a burden, I get it, but it also can act as a new canvas for our furry family members (especially the young ones or the ones who came from the south). Even the fur-challenged pets enjoy a zoomie session and/or face-plant outside in the snow (& if you want a laugh, check out this [video](#) of cats and dogs playing in the

Maverick

A display of strength & proof that what doesn't kill us makes us stronger



Maverick wasn't dealt the best hand in life, but his second chance at happiness begins now. Maverick, a young 1.5-year-old, came to us from Arkansas with a story to tell. He arrived with preexisting conditions that include, a fractured femur and a fractured pelvis - more than likely from being hit by a car and never receiving vet care. Thankfully, because of



snow - hilarious). Cheers to taking an hour to bundle up so that the pets in our life can enjoy a walk or play session in the snow. Wishing you and your family a happy and safe holiday season! Thank you all for your continued support and dedication,
Kristen



supporters like YOU we were able to provide Maverick the much-needed care he needs, which included hip and knee x-rays. The vet determined that Maverick's old injuries were all healed up and surgery would not help now. He may walk a little wobbly at times, and his weight will always have to be managed, but other than daily joint supplements... Maverick is ready to find a family that will love him for who he is. He is a happy boy who loves everyone he meets and doesn't seem to be in any pain at all. Please share the word about this amazingly resilient boy so he can find his forever home.

The Manthei Family ~

A family who has opened their home to multiple animals over the years and has allowed our shelter to take in more animals that need help. In addition, the Manthei Family offers the one-on-one attention and loving comfort that only a home setting can offer, which is precisely what some animals need to heal. THANK YOU Manthei Family!

Foster families are imperative to the success of our mission, and this month we would like to honor the Manthei family for all they have done for NAHS. Vicki Manthei, foster mom since 2005, has averaged about 35 fosters a year...Amazing! Here is Vicki's story, & below are pictures of just a few of her fosters over the years:

"I turned a bedroom into a foster kitten room this past spring because the fosters are my stress relief. Even when taking care of 7 busy bottle kittens, nothing is more soothing than purring little fuzz balls! My daughters and my sister are so incredibly helpful, and I couldn't have fostered so many over the years without their help. My sister sends me monthly shipments of kitten food, and my daughters help with the socializing. We all help with the many midnight feedings, monitoring, and medicating of sick kittens. The four cats in the cat tree (pictured below) are my foster failures, Aspen and Willow, and the 2 gray cats are, Tootsie and Missy."



Thank you Manthei family for all you have done to help our homeless pets! Vicki has even recruited her sister to foster (yay Vicki!), who started with the "simple" foster of a mom and her 7 newborn puppies...WOW! Currently, both Vicki and her sister are fostering kittens. THANK YOU for sharing your story and for all you do to help the homeless pets of NAHS.



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Thank you all for your kindness and dedication to help homeless pets. NAHS is forever grateful to have such wonderful supporters.

*Thank you all again,
Kristen Funk*

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