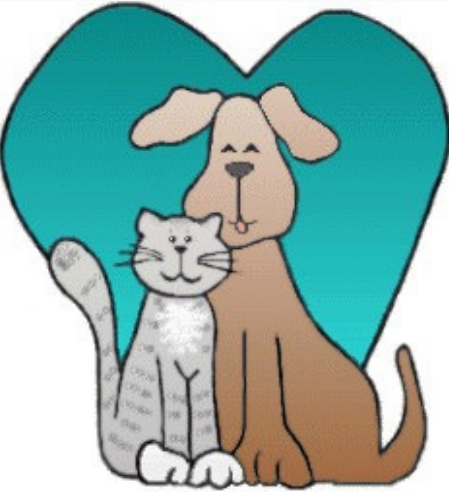




# PET FRIENDS & RESCUE

# PET-O-GRAM

## SPRING 2026



### BOARD OF DIRECTORS

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**(WE ARE CURRENTLY  
LOOKING FOR MORE  
VOLUNTEERS TO FILL BOARD  
OF DIRECTOR VACANCIES!)**

*POG Designer: Lara King*



### MESSAGE FROM THE PRESIDENT/CEO

Welcome to spring and the end of the first quarter of 2026. As the beginning of a new year starts, there are several critical facets or avenues that are required to keep Pet Friends operational and running smoothly and none more important than our all-volunteer Management team and Board of Directors who worked tirelessly throughout the year 2025. This group of dedicated individuals works all year to make Pet Friends what it is today. Also, and critical to our operation, I must thank our office and animal care staff who come to work every day in the rain, or shine, care for and feed our family of dogs and cats, clean the facilities, and ensure the welfare of our pets. At the close of business 2025, I'm thrilled to say that Pet Friends had adopted 90 cats/kittens and 14 dogs to loving homes and families. These are outstanding placement numbers for what was once abandoned, unwanted and homeless pets. Another outstanding part of Pet Friends is our Spay & Neuter clinic, headed by Dr. Nadine Reichstadt, DVM. Opening in early 2025, it took many months and thousands of dollars to acquire our licenses, DEA permits, equipment certifications, and expended thousands more dollars for medications to support the clinic. Pet Friends & Rescue is the ONLY low-cost spay & neuter clinic in San Benito County (SBC). The clinic is operational every Friday. Please see the enclosed flyer for complete pricing and services offered by the clinic.

As I look ahead to the year 2026, I'm thrilled to announce our famous Cowboy Full Ball is scheduled for Saturday, March 28th, 2026 at Ridgemark Golf Club. I look forward to seeing you there. Please see inside this newsletter for details. Get your tickets early and support this outstanding fundraising event. This is our major fundraiser of the year, and your support is critical to our continued mission of rescuing homeless and unwanted dogs and cats and finding loving homes and families for these sweet and devoted pets. They need your help. Every penny goes to feeding, spaying/neutering, medical needs, and caring for our family of dogs and cats.

We continue to need your help and financial support. Please consider donating on our website at [www.Petfriends.org](http://www.Petfriends.org), through the mail or in person, to assist with the care of our animals. With your generosity and support, our mission of rescuing, protecting, and improving the lives of dogs and cats will continue.

Respectfully,  
Jack Scutchall  
*President & CEO of Pet Friends & Rescue*



**PLEASE DONATE TO [PETFRIENDS.ORG](http://PETFRIENDS.ORG)**

# COWBOY FUR BALL

March 28, 2026

## PET FRIENDS

*Western Wags & Whiskers Night for Rescues!*

### PET RESCUE FUNDRAISER

SATURDAY, MARCH 28, 2026

RIDGEMARK GOLF CLUB & RESORT

5:00-9:00 PM

- WESTERN STYLE BUFFET DINNER
- NO-HOST FULL BAR & WINE BOTTLE SERVICE
- LIVE MUSIC & DANCING  
with "MOONDANCE" band
- LIVE & SILENT AUCTIONS
- GRAND DOOR PRIZE

Tickets can be purchased at Postal Graphics in Hollister, or online at Eventbrite (*as availability lasts*)

Saddle up & get tickets  
before March 1st  
to get an EARLY BIRD  
DISCOUNT!



SCAN QR CODE TO  
PURCHASE TICKETS  
(online sales open Jan. 1)

\$75.00 per person - *Early Bird Discount*

\$85.00 per person - Regular Price



For More Information or Sponsorship Opportunities  
email: [PetFriendsFurBall@gmail.com](mailto:PetFriendsFurBall@gmail.com)

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# PET FRIENDS & RESCUE SEEKS ADDITIONAL VOTING MEMBERS!!! JOIN OUR BOARD OF DIRECTORS!

**We are looking for new voting members to join our nonprofit Board of Directors**

**Requirements:**

- Over 18 years of age
- Attend monthly board meeting
- Volunteer some sort of efforts or involvement at/with the Pet Friends & Rescue nonprofit



There are a myriad of ways you can lend a hand and contribute with any skills, knowledge, connections, or interests you may have.

Offer your input and expertise in any given number of areas,

not only for the love of the pets but also to participate in community efforts, events, fundraising, advertising, & other projects!



**Express your interest:**

- E-mail: [office@petfriends.org](mailto:office@petfriends.org)
- Office Phone: 831-634-1191

**Office Hours:** Tuesdays-Fridays: 11am to 3pm  
Saturdays: 10am to 4 pm; Sundays: 12pm to 3pm

Board meetings are held the second Saturday of each month, at 9:30am, at 440 San Benito Street Hollister, CA 95023



## BECOME A PET FRIENDS & RESCUE BOARD MEMBER!

Pet Friends & Rescue (PF&R) is seeking candidates to join its volunteer Board of Directors. This is an exciting time for growth and expansion for Pet Friends and Rescue, and this opportunity provides a rewarding and meaningful way to contribute to this vibrant organization and enhance the quality of life of rescued companion animals. Board members make an invaluable contribution to the quality of PF&R's initiatives, enabling us to ensure that each animal we rescue is safe, well-cared for, loved, and given a chance to find its Fur-ever home.

PF&R's volunteer experience offers dedicated individuals the chance to meet a group of like-minded individuals who want to help us eliminate cruelty and neglect of abandoned companion animals and to encourage a community atmosphere of education, care, and concern that will strengthen the human/animal bond, as well as opportunities to become

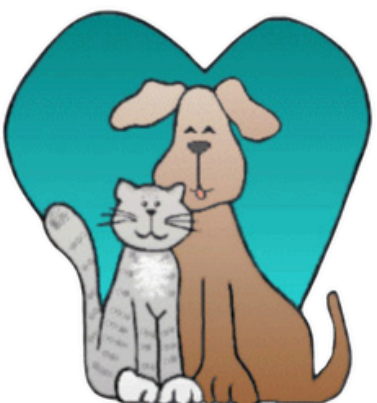
agents of change and help further the organization's goals and vision to new levels each year.

**We are seeking board members with diverse, committed, and accomplished companion animal rescue champions who are leaders in industry, law, media, marketing/public relations, animal rescue services, accounting (CPA), finance, philanthropy, and education - and are passionate for the mission of PF & R.**

If you are interested in sharing your professional expertise and vision for a better community, please call directly, and/or provide a brief copy of your resume and/or cover letter, to Executive Director Jack Scutchall at [scutchallj@gmail.com](mailto:scutchallj@gmail.com) or 408-234-9677 (cell).

**PLEASE DONATE TO [PETFRIENDS.ORG](http://PETFRIENDS.ORG)**

Please remember to keep Pet Friends in mind for your pet's medical needs, as well as for any rescue efforts! With Spay and Neuter Clinics every Friday, and dental services being offered as well, there are a variety of low-cost solutions to keeping your pets healthy. Help us to spread the word about the Vaccination Clinic that will be happening this month!



## Pet Friends & Rescue Vaccination Clinic

Saturday, March 14<sup>th</sup>, 2026  
 10 AM - 1 PM  
 2975 Buena Vista Road  
 Hollister, CA 95023

Call for more information :  
 Pet Friends' Office: (831) 634-1191

### Vaccines Offered:

Rabies.....	\$18
DHPP (canine).....	\$20
FVRCP (feline).....	\$20
Bordetella (canine).....	\$20
Lepto (canine).....	\$25
Wormer - Round.....	Depends on weight
Wormer - Tape.....	Depends on weight
Microchip.....	\$25

### Flea Meds:

Bravecto, 3 mo. supply (canine)	\$75
Selarid, 1 mo. supply (feline).....	\$15



## Pet Friends & Rescue DENTAL SERVICES



Please Note: Pet Friends reserves the right to refuse service to animals not deemed fit for anesthesia. No pre-anesthetic tests will be performed, and it is possible that medical problems may arise because of conditions not identified by the initial examination.



For an appointment or more information-  
 phone: (831) 634-1191  
 email: office@petfriends.org



### Price:

\$200-\$400  
 depending upon  
 condition of teeth  
 (not weight-dependent).

### Services:

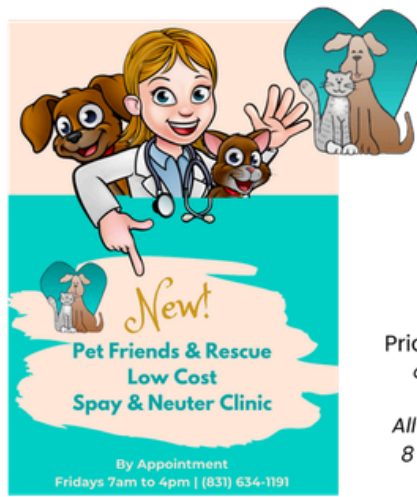
Basic cleaning is performed; teeth are cleaned with a cavitron and a polisher.

### Disclaimers:

No X-rays are done; No drills are used; Only loose teeth (ready to fall out) are removed @ \$10-\$20 per tooth



While under anesthesia, if any advanced issues are noted, owner will be advised to seek a full-service dentist/vet.



## Pet Friends & Rescue Low-Cost Spay & Neuter Clinic PRICING

Prices effective June 1, 2025 and are subject to change

All animals must be at least 8 weeks old and 2 pounds (cats & dogs)

### DOG Sterilization

<b>Female Spay</b>	
2-39 lbs.	\$205
40-70 lbs.	\$225
71-85 lbs.	\$265
86-100 lbs.	\$315

### Male Neuter

2-39 lbs.	\$175
40-70 lbs.	\$200
71-85 lbs.	\$235
86-100 lbs.	\$270

### CAT Sterilization

<b>Female Spay</b>	
Domestic	\$130
Feral	\$60
<b>Male Neuter</b>	
Domestic	\$90
Feral	\$45

### Additional Costs/Vaccinations

Microchip	\$25
Distemper vacc. (+DHPP-in dogs)	\$20
FVRCP (cats)	\$20
Rabies	\$18

♥ Furever Homes ♥  
for some of our adopted 🐾CATS🐾



BEAN



BRONZITE



GOLD DUST



PRINCESS LEIA



LATTE & COFFEE



ZIGGY



ELSIE &  
PRINCE WILLIAM



BLUE BELL



♥ Furever Homes ♥  
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PIXIE



BIRDY

ANIMAL  
RESIDENTS  
AT  
PET FRIENDS

At the time this publication went to print (Feb. 15)...

- Kittens: 4
- Cats: 11
- Dogs: 7

**Total in House: 22**

+ Outdoor Cats: 24

FOSTER HOMES  
NEEDED!!!



We need your help with our Kitten Foster Program!

Fostering kittens is about an 8-week commitment.

You must have a room or place in your home where the foster kittens will be cared for and housed.

Apply online or call our office to explore options to foster!

Scan QR code to donate to Pet Friends' fund through the



NATIONAL STANDARDS

League of California Community Foundations



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# ♥ ADOPTABLE PETS AT PET FRIENDS ♥



## FELINE FEATURES

**JERICHO** → is an older boy who enjoys sunbathing and a good can of wet food. Jerry, despite his age, is in good health; purring a lot, sitting by his people, and would love to spend the rest of his golden years in a nice, quiet 'forever' home.

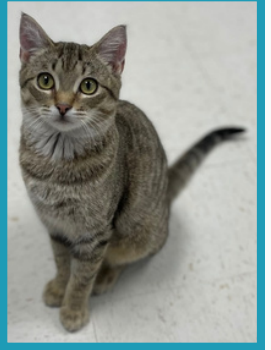


← **GORDIE** is a boy full of fluff and a little sass. His coat requires consistent grooming to stay mat-free. This requires patience as Gordie can get a little mad when being brushed or pet too long. Despite this, he can be quite the loving cat!

**CHAPA** → is one of our more recent intakes. She is chatty, affectionate and makes the best air biscuits. Chapa loves attention, and spending time with people.



← **CROW** is a very friendly laid-back kitten. He loves attention and following people around. Crow would likely do well in any home.



**DIESEL** → used to be very scared and unsure of people, but recently has warmed up! His love language is food; he especially loves Churu treats.



**ESTHER** (B&W tuxedo) & **EARL** (tabby) were both found as strays in a dangerous location. Luckily they were safely rescued and brought to PF. They are a little standoffish at first, but do eventually warm up to people that feed and spend time with them.

## CANINE COLUMN

AD<sup>PAW</sup>PT  
ME



**MINNIE** is our current longest dog resident due to no fault of her own. Minnie is a loving, gentle soul and is generally a laid-back dog, but is always happy to go out for a walk!



**OLLIE** is a friendly, attention-loving terrier mix. He is known at Pet Friends for being easy on the leash and gets along great with most other dogs.



**GINGER** is a funny, loving lab mix. She loves affection and knows how to jump up in the air on command. She is very food and treat driven.



**CHILI** absolutely loves everyone she meets. She loves to play catch with tennis balls, and thoroughly enjoys a good chew treat.

MEET & GREET APPOINTMENTS AVAILABLE



## PET FINDER WEBSITE

Looking for the perfect pet? Pet Friends and many other rescues have their animals listed on Pet Finder.

This is a universal site that allows you to put your own specific criteria for what you'd like to search for in a family pet: species, gender, miles from your home, breed, etc. There are online applications, contact information, the works! Best of luck in your search!

...And don't forget to search for the dogs and cats at Pet Friends & Rescue...

<https://petfriends.org/adoptable-dogs/>

<https://petfriends.org/adoptable-cats/>



## BOARD MEMBER HIGHLIGHT

Long-time Board Member, Peggy Darington, crossed paths with the late Don Klein, (one of the founding members of Pet Friends), at the post office! He told her of the need for this small group that meets once a month to get the notes of discussion written. So she came and wrote things down. But Klein, the self-described 'statistic hound,' persuaded Peggy to write them in an organized, coherent manner. And thus was born our dutiful, dependable, and outstanding Pet Friends Board Secretary!

At these monthly meetings, Peggy sits poised kitty-corner from the President who runs our meetings. Says President Jack Scutchall, "Not only has she been the board's secretary for more than 10 years, her continuous support to the President is invaluable."

Peggy also serves on PF's Canine Committee. As it selects dogs for transfer, she often reminds the others how the characteristics of a breed might present themselves as the dog stays in our kennels.

Peggy works in the legal field and likes the occasional sweet treat. She also enjoys supporting local theater.



## ABBY'S CORNER - AN OBITUARY

For those of you who don't know, Abby, our beloved Pet Friends' Office Cat, passed away at the beginning of January, and while we're adjusting to office life without her, she is sorely missed.

She was a great kitty-gal, indeed. She leaves behind many who loved her: Kathy (Abby's favorite human), Sara, Eli, Alex, Brooke, Cindy, and many of our regular volunteers. Abby also leaves behind the author of *Abby's Corner*, Susan Carpenter:

"I often watched Abby's antics while I was in the office to use as material for the Corner. I'll miss her hissing at the kittens when Sara would let them out. And certainly I'll miss seeing her at the top of her tower. She was a great cat. I'm sorry that I won't be writing her column anymore."



Goodbye to Abby and her Corner.

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## SPRING FLOWERS... A CAUTION / WARNING ABOUT TULIPS!

As spring inches forward, now is a great time to plant tulip bulbs. However, take special note: tulips are toxic to pets, including dogs and cats, and can cause serious health issues if ingested. They contain compounds known as tulipalin A and B, which are found in the bulbs of the plant.

The bulbs pose the greatest risk to pets.

Here are the following symptoms that your pet might exhibit if they have consumed tulips:

- vomiting, and diarrhea
- drooling excessively
- lethargy, weakness
- difficulty breathing (in severe cases)
- increased heart rate

## VOLUNTEERS ACCEPTED

**PET FRIENDS ACCEPTS VOLUNTEERS TO WALK DOGS, SOCIALIZE KITTENS/CATS, CLEAN, AND MORE!**

Call ahead or email the Pet Friends office to schedule your visit, to ensure we'll be open and accepting volunteers, or swing by during office/adoption center hours so you can sign in and receive appropriate directions as for where to dedicate your time and efforts. Youth must be accompanied by a guardian.

Express your interest:

- E-mail: [office@petfriends.org](mailto:office@petfriends.org)
- Phone: 831-634-1191
- Fill out a Volunteer application online



## WHERE CAN I SAFELY SURRENDER A PET?

Pet Friends and Rescue understands occasions arise when a pet owner cannot keep a pet.

If you have adopted a Pet Friends and Rescue animal, our policy is that we will always take them back. We believe strongly that it is a lifetime commitment to a companion animal.

Pet Friends and Rescue animal intake protocol is to pull adoptable companion animals from Hollister Animal Control only, and provide them with a permanent shelter environment while awaiting their new home.

Pet Friends and Rescue will also provide relief for displaced animals during emergencies.

### Local organizations accepting surrendered pets:

#### **SPCA of Monterey**

1002 Monterey, Salinas Hwy, Salinas  
831.422.4721

#### **Hollister Animal Control**

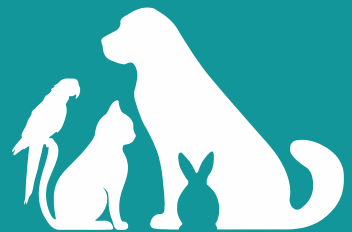
1331 South St., Hollister  
831.636.4320

#### **Santa Clara Animal Shelter**

12370 Murphy Ave., San Martin  
408.686.3900

#### **Peace of Mind – FOR SENIOR PETS & OWNERS ONLY**

615 Forest Ave, Pacific Grove, CA  
831.718.9122



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# WISH LIST

Your kind monetary donation, or a donation of any of these items, will help us reduce some of our overhead costs.



## CAT ESSENTIALS

- Iams adult dry food
- Fancy Feast adult canned food
- Iams for Kittens dry food
- Fancy Feast Kitten canned food, turkey or chicken
- Any dry or canned food for outdoor/feral cats
- Arm & Hammer Cat Litter
- Cat treats

## DOG ESSENTIALS

- Iams Mini-chunks (green bag) dog food
- Any canned dog food
- Treats (bully sticks, biscuits)
- Large dog toys, tennis balls, squeakers

## HOUSEKEEPING ESSENTIALS

- Paper Towels
- (Viva brand preferred)
- Clorox Wipes
- Vinegar
- Bleach
- Comet cleaner
- Dawn Dish Soap
- Tall Kitchen Bags
- Nitrile exam gloves (all sizes)
- Bath rugs
- Blankets (small throw- size)
- Knee High Hosiery

## DONATE MONTHLY

If you would like to regularly support our local rescue work and help us provide medical care, plus food and supplies while we care for our pets at our rescue sanctuary, please sign up online at: [PetFriends.org](http://PetFriends.org)



# THROW US A BONE



THERE ARE MANY WAYS YOU CAN HELP & SUPPORT PET FRIENDS...

## LEGACY OF LOVE



Consider contributing to the Pet Friends & Rescue Endowment Fund at the Community Foundation of San Benito County.

Donations to the fund effectively last forever, in that distributions to the fund are made from investment earnings on the donations. Your gift is a legacy of love in perpetuity.

There are many ways to make a donation to our endowment fund including: cash, appreciated stock, wills & estate planning, IRA beneficiary designations, & more.

## ADOPTION CENTER

Visit our wonderful cats and dogs awaiting their adoptions!

### Adoption Center:

2975 Buena Vista Road  
Hollister, CA 95023

### Adoption Center Hours:

**Wednesday - Friday**

10 am - 3 pm

**Saturday**

10 am to 4 pm

**Sunday**

12 pm to 3 pm

### Contact:

831-634-1191

email: [office@petfriends.org](mailto:office@petfriends.org)



## PET FRIENDS AND RESCUE AWARDED \$2,500 GRANT

Exciting News! Pet Friends and Rescue is pleased to announce that we have been awarded a \$2,500 Maddie's Fund Community Conversations Grant. The grant is given in honor of Maddie, the little dog who inspired a movement: #ThanksToMaddie. Maddie's Fund supports animal rescue groups throughout the United States to help save lives and create a no-kill nation for dogs and cats. Pet Friends is deeply grateful for this grant, which will help us continue to provide compassionate care and find loving homes for the dogs and cats in our shelter.



**Maddie's Fund**

The Duffield Foundation

## BENEVITY DONATION-MATCHING

Increase Your Impact! Many employers will match your financial donations and even donate on behalf of your volunteer hours at Pet Friends and Rescue. Check your internal company website to see if they offer a matching gift to help your support go even further for the cats & dogs at Pet Friends.



## MEMORIAL BRICKS

Memorialize the loss of a beloved pet with a personalized brick ----->

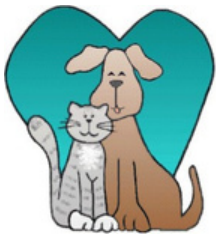
All bricks are lovingly displayed at Pet Friends & Rescue.

Each brick includes a paw print, your/your family's name, the pet's name, and the life years of your pet. It is a \$100 donation per brick.

Contact Pet Friends for a lasting memorial to honor your pet.



**PLEASE DONATE TO [PETFRIENDS.ORG](http://PETFRIENDS.ORG)**



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## PET FRIENDS & RESCUE DONATION FORM

Tragically, there are homeless pets struggling to survive or abandoned at shelters, scared and hopeless. For over 25 years Pet Friends and Rescue has depended solely on private donations from caring people to adopt as many of these needy animals as possible. Pet Friends and Rescue volunteers keep them healthy and loved at our rescue center.

Please help us to help them - a donation will allow us to keep running our rescue and caring for those in our facility. With your help, we bring love and hope to animals in need.

**NAME:**

**ADDRESS:**

**CITY, STATE, ZIP:**

**EMAIL:**

### SPONSOR A RESCUE PET

If you would like to sponsor one or more rescued pets from our website and can donate at least \$25 toward the cost of its care, please note the pet's name here. We will make sure they get an extra hug and treat!

Pet(s) Name:

Pet Friends and Rescue is a non-profit 501(c)(3) volunteer organization. All contributions are fully tax deductible. \*\*Important: Please assist us in saving on printing and postage expenses by providing your email address. Every dollar we save means a dollar better spent on direct animal care! If you cannot make a donation at this time, submit your email address to [office@petfriends.org](mailto:office@petfriends.org) and you will be put on our email list for next time.

**PLEASE VISIT US ONLINE AT [PETFRIENDS.ORG](http://PETFRIENDS.ORG)**