



"Helping One Animal Won't Change The World, But It Will Change The World For That Animal"

Dear Friends,

You have made a difference to the lives of the animals in our community again this year, and we would like to thank you and give you an update on our successes and challenges.

We (you and the HCSPCA) have changed the lives of hundreds of dogs and cats this year through adoptions, lost and found animals, spay and neuter clinics and animal rescues. Every donation made has improved the life of an animal in our area. The HCSPCA has spread the word and educated the community on responsible pet ownership and the importance of spay/neuter. The Trudy Brune Hill Country SPCA, an outstanding example of what a no-kill shelter should be, has been visited again this year by other Texas Shelters.

Paddy's Party was a huge success this year raising close to \$22,000.00. The 2014 Party will be raising the fun level by changing the location to Pat's Hall. We believe this will give you a taste of Fredericksburg's past history and a fun environment for all ages while supporting our animals future. Dinner will be catered by My Own Chef, and the live entertainment will be provided by the Cactus Country Band out of San Antonio.

Trudy's Treasures, the Hill Country SPCA Resale Store, has been open for four years now and has had a steady stream of high quality donated goods and a steady stream of patrons. Anytime you might be remodeling your home, downsizing, or cleaning out your closet during the year, we hope you will donate to the Hill Country Resale Store. All proceeds from the sales of your donated goods go to support the daily operations of the HCSPCA.

Again in 2013, The Hill Country SPCA has been challenged, as have most non-profits, to raise funds to support our mission. Hard economic times have had an impact on donations, and foundations have had to tighten the purse strings and drastically reduce the funding they are able to provide. Again in 2013, many people have been forced to give up family pets in order to keep a roof over their heads. We experienced an influx of abandoned/found animals and cries for help from our local kill shelters. The animals we care for have no idea the economy is bad, they still need food, water and comfortable places to sleep. The love they get from the staff and volunteers is free!!

Again the Hill Country SPCA is asking for your generous donation to keep our shelter operating and to help us focus on our goals of providing food, housing, medical treatment and spay/neuter services to the animal in our community. Remember, we are a no-kill facility and the animals stay with us until we find them a forever home. Thank you for your ongoing support, every donation helps.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in cursive script that reads "Chris Ward".

Chris Ward, President

Hill Country SPCA

**“The greatness of a nation and its moral progress can be
judged by the way its animals are treated.”**

— Mahatma Gandhi

Dear Friends,

Cold, hungry, lost, scared, and homeless...it breaks my heart to think about all the dogs and cats right here in our Texas Hill Country that don't have a forever home.

Hill Country SPCA is a small no-kill animals shelter located right here in the heart of Fredericksburg and we are trying to make a difference. This year we have rescued more than 60 dogs from our local animal control shelters and provided them with forever homes. We are also proud to say this year we have provided more than 145 dogs and 58 cats forever homes through adoptions! Wow, this is a lot already for a small animal shelter but we didn't stop there, we also issued more than 200 free spay and neuter vouchers to help control our homeless dog and cat population in Fredericksburg. None of this would have been possible without your support. THANK YOU

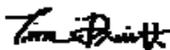
This year did bring some challenges with providing quality care for some of our special needs dogs. Little Thor, our 6 year old Chihuahua we rescued from animal control arrived with fleas, ticks, and heartworm positive. If this wasn't enough already, we discovered he had luxating patellas in both hind legs. One newsletter and a plea for help later, you our HCSPCA animal supporters made paying for Thor's leg surgeries possible. THANK YOU

So often we find ourselves wanting to help but not having the money to do so. I can say that any donation does make a difference in the lives of our animals. I have been at Hill Country SPCA for almost 2 years now...every month we receive a \$10.00 donation from the same lady. It warms my heart every month when I open her envelope. Maybe for some, this isn't a lot of money, but for me this is a ray of hope. These donations like all the donations we receive keep us going from month to month. Without your support we would not be able to shelter, feed, provide vaccinations, spay & neuter, and provide forever homes to our Hill Country dogs and cats. THANK YOU

As you prepared for yet another year, we hope you will find it in your heart to continue your support of the dogs and cats here at Hill Country SPCA.

From the Staff, Board of Directors, volunteers, and from each and every dog and cat in our shelter... thank you and God bless!

With my warmest regards,



Tina Pruitt ~ Director

P.S. We have enclosed a donor envelope for your convenience. All contributions are tax-deductible to the extent allowed by law. Your cancelled check is your receipt. Thank you very much!



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