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YOU'VE BEEN HELPING ANIMALS LIVE ON FOR 25 YEARS

Your support rescues pets like Thanos and achieves life-saving goals



Thanos came to us, young and homeless. We realized quickly that he also had Parvo! Fortunately, we quickly got him the medical care he needed because people like you ensure we can jump into action with the lifesaving resources to give the pets the help they need, right when they need it.

This year, HALO Animal Rescue is celebrating 25 years of saving lives! HALO was founded in 1994 with the goal of ending the euthanasia of adoptable pets in Maricopa County. In the 25 years since then, we've relied on the support of donors like you to help pets like Thanos. And you've been amazing!

Every day, your support gives abandoned pets like Thanos the care they need.

You've also helped our community achieve some big milestones:

- **More pets are leaving shelters alive.** The Live Release Rate in shelters across Maricopa County has increased from 55% in 2012 to 88% in 2018.
- **Pets in neighboring areas are being helped, too.** In addition to helping at home, we're rescuing pets from more than a dozen other partner shelters, reducing overcrowding and euthanasia in many cities across the U.S.
- **Sicker pets are getting more and better care.** Pets like Leo on Page 6 are receiving medical care that was once out of reach financially but thanks to you we are able to ensure they get what they need to flourish.



Thank you for saving pets like Thanos and
70,000 others over the past 25 years!

THANK YOU, GRACIAS, XIÈ XIÈ

Your gifts help pets from around Arizona, the Southwest and beyond!

HALO has partnerships with several shelters throughout the state of Arizona, but our offer of assistance does not stop there.



SaSa in China before her rescue.

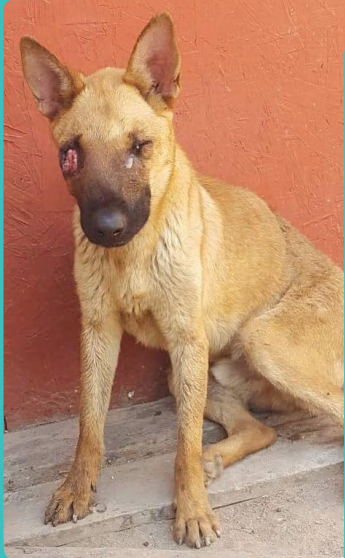


SaSa in her new home.

SaSa

China

SaSa is a beautiful Shepherd who spent several years living outdoors in a wire cage in China amongst trash, being fed scraps. HALO is honored to partner with Shanghai Furry Friends, a small but mighty rescue in China, to offer SaSa a new life in the US. SaSa was recently adopted by a wonderful family and has been renamed Sansa. Her new mom says, "Sansa is a happy, smart girl who loves treats." She is working on learning basic obedience commands in English.



Bolo before treatment.



Bolo after treatment.

In 2018 we began a partnership with Barb's Dog Rescue in Puerto Peñasco, Mexico. This shelter is one of the few safe havens for dogs in the area. HALO's partnership with them is critical to their lifesaving mission, in order to get the dogs out of Mexico, and into a new home. Because of your support, dogs like Bolo found a new leash on life in the USA. Bolo came to Barb's after his owners tossed him out, malnourished, abused, and suffering immensely from a Transmissible Venereal Tumor that had invaded much of his face. His "before" photo is hard to look at, but his transformation is amazing — thanks to the wonderful work at Barb's, the partnership with HALO, and most importantly, your support!

Bolo

Mexico

Seahorse came to HALO from an overwhelmed shelter in Las Cruces, New Mexico. She was pregnant upon arrival, but her delivery was anything but typical. Seahorse struggled with labor for a few days while under the watchful eye of our veterinary team. She had one tiny kitten survive who is being supplemented with bottle feedings while she recovers from her hospitalization. Had she experienced these labor troubles out on the streets she surely would not have survived. Because we were able to offer a safe place for her, she made a full recovery and will go on to live her life as a spoiled house cat.



Seahorse with her newborn baby.

Seahorse

USA

Letter from the President

OUR JOURNEY TOGETHER HELPING HOMELESS PETS



Dear Friends,

As we continue to celebrate our 25th anniversary this year, I continue to marvel at the lengths we have come as an organization, as a community and as an industry. When I began my journey in animal welfare, my mother and I were foster parents

for a cat rescue, and we were so naïve about what was happening in our city's shelters. In 1994 our community was in a much different place, and not for the better. Our shelters' annual intakes were over 120,000. There was not a concerted effort to track trends or evaluate the state of affairs. There was no coalition of Animal Welfare professionals to collaborate together and create strategies to save the lives of the pets being brought in for help. Seeing this prompted us to form HALO, and make a larger commitment to saving more homeless pets' lives.

Since that time, HALO has been at the table during the formation and growth of the Alliance for Companion Animals; was part of the Maddie's Pet Rescue Project of Maricopa County during its nine-year run; and now plays a critical role in the Alliance's Fix.Adopt.Save. initiative that continues to help reshape Maricopa County into a safe city for the beloved animals that call it home. It is a privilege to play a part in the transformation of our city.

Looking toward the future, it is our goal to continue to be a safety net for animals in need and to continue to collaborate with other organizations to learn from each other and ensure we maximize resources. HALO was born out of the love that my mother and I have for animals, and has not only survived, but thrived, because so many others have that same affinity for dogs and cats, and want to help us help them. We never lose sight of that honor, that trust, which you continue to bestow on us when you donate to the cause. With you by our sides, we will continue **Helping Animals Live On.**

Sincerely,

Heather Allen, President and CEO

We'd like to offer a
**HEARTFELT
THANKS**
to the wonderful
organizations that
help support
HALO's animals!



OUR LIFESAVING WORK IS
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ADOPTION UPDATE

Injured Kitten Bellatrix is All Purrs Now

Sweet Bellatrix came to HALO from another shelter. She had a severe injury with nerve damage to her front leg that was causing her a lot of pain. Although we could not save her leg, she was able to recover in the comfort and safety of a home with HALO foster parent Kristen Peters.

When the time came for Bellatrix to be made available for adoption, Kristen just knew she was already home, and adopted her! Kristen says,

"Despite her surgery and disability, she's always been in good health and spirits. She's a very energetic kitty. She follows me wherever I go and keeps me company! She also sleeps in bed with me. I do not bring her to bed, but rather she follows me there and hops in."

Thank you for supporting the lifesaving work we do here at HALO and allowing us the honor of being able to say "yes" when the call for help comes for sweet kittens like Bellatrix.



Before



After

PURINA AND HALO CELEBRATE 10 YEARS OF PARTNERSHIP

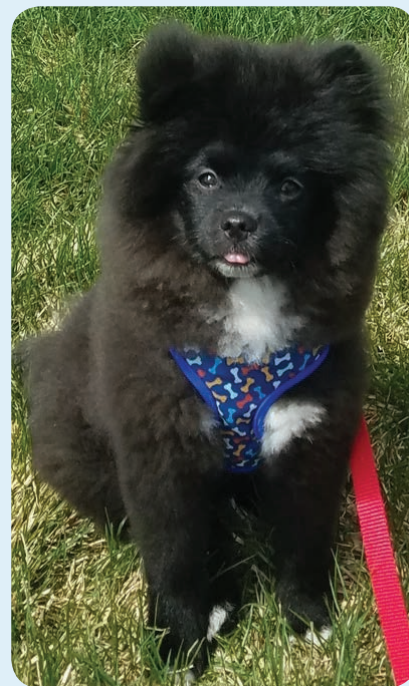
This September, Purina is offering \$12,500 in matching support.

HALO became a Purina Shelter Partner in 2009. Throughout our years of growth, Purina has steadfastly supported our shelter pets. In the past 10 years, Purina has donated food for more than 50,000 HALO pets!

To celebrate our partnership, beginning in September, Purina has offered to match donations up to \$12,500, on top of everything they do for our homeless pets every day!

We see the difference that good food makes. Purina pet foods offer the nutritious and consistent diet that our shelter pets need to thrive.

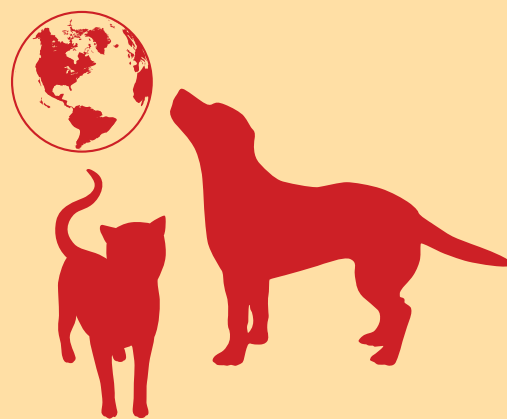
We couldn't be more thankful for Purina's support!



Leo needed life-saving heart surgery. At HALO, Purina food helped nourish him while he gained enough weight to have the procedure.

WILL YOU LEAVE THE WORLD A BETTER PLACE?

Pets give us so much love and joy, while asking little in exchange. One way you can return their love is by including HALO Animal Rescue in your will. Leaving a legacy gift is a unique way to ensure homeless cats and dogs will be safe and cared for even after you're gone.



Not sure how to get started?

Call 602-971-9222 ext. 105 or email halosupporter@halorescue.org to request your HALO Animal Rescue planned giving package.

HALO THRIFT BOUTIQUE GETS A FACELIFT

Come check out our new look and get great deals.



Shopper Maryellen, Manager Michel, and Volunteer Suzie welcome you to visit the shop.

In 2006, HALO opened a Thrift Boutique on Camelback Road, with the hope of raising funds to help us save more lives. We've been in our current location just south of Cactus Road on Cave Creek Road for 10 years! For our anniversary, HALO's manager and co-founder, Michel Herstam, and a small army of dedicated volunteers put in dozens of extra hours to revamp the store, giving it a beautiful new look. Come visit our shop and see what great deals you can find on unique items, all while supporting the animals in our care. There is a coupon below to use for even more savings! See you soon!



A sneak peak at the face lift.



SHOP, SAVE, DONATE

Great deals on great stuff!

Donated items
Help
Animals
Live
On






HALO Thrift Boutique
11649 N. Cave Creek Rd.
Tue-Sat 10-5, Sun 10-4, Closed Mon
602-274-3444

One coupon per customer. Not valid if duplicated. Expires 12/31/19

\$5 OFF

Purchase of
\$25
or more

Follow the Thrift's Facebook page to see the latest items and to be notified of special sales: facebook.com/HARescueThrift.

HALO HELPS 1,702 PETS IN THE FIRST 5 MONTHS OF 2019

Support from caring animal lovers like you gave us the ability to help thousand of pets like Lady Bug and Baby Kitty.

When Lady Bug arrived at HALO after living on the streets, she would not walk on her back leg. X-rays revealed a dislocated hip, likely from a car injury or from being kicked. You gave her the surgery she needed to fix her hip and she has now found a wonderful new home.

1,259 dogs like Lady Bug helped so far in 2019.



Baby Kitty has been under HALO's care a few times throughout her life, through no fault of her own. Beginning as a stray, then surrendered due to a move, and lastly being found as a stray again, she has found her way back to HALO each time thanks to her microchip. With your support, we will ensure she's safe until a new family can be found for this 12-year-old sweetheart.

443 cats like Baby Kitty helped so far in 2019.



To learn more about our life-saving programs, visit our website at halorescue.org.



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