



The Paw Print

The monthly newsletter of Paw Placement of Northern Arizona (PPNAZ)

Keeping people and pets together



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Dear Friends,

As the year draws to a close we'd like to offer you all the best wishes for the holidays and in the coming year, and to thank everyone for their continued support in all that we do!

It has been a momentous year for PPNAZ; our role in the community went from advocacy to action with the closing of Second Chance Center for Animals. While it was truly a sad day for animal people in our community it also opened a door for profound changes. The state-of-the-art building was offered (free) to Coconino Humane Association to replace their very outdated, inadequate facility but they turned it down. The Second Chance Foundation then offered the building, again at no cost, to Coconino County to be used as the County animal shelter. The County has been carefully considering this amazing offer and doing their due diligence in researching costs, benefits, and need. It is moving forward slowly with positive feedback - but now is the time for EVERYONE who wants to see real forward progress for animal welfare to contact their city council (<http://flagstaff.az.gov/1406/Mayor-City-Council>) and county board of supervisors (<http://www.coconino.az.gov/104/Board-of-Supervisors>) to *let them know our community expects better*. We have the opportunity for true 21st century animal sheltering services that are professional, humane, and balance the needs of the animals and the people who love them with compassion while meeting city, county, and state

requirements. And it is important for you all to know that PPNAZ is expanding the scope of its mission to include submitting a bid to run the shelter.

So, our elected officials need to hear from you all as residents, taxpayers, and animal advocates! It is easy to become complacent when the contractor for services has never been challenged; easy to just look the other way and continue business as usual, easy to say they hadn't heard from their constituents that any change was desired or needed.

We hope you will take a minute to make your voice heard. And if you are really excited about this, please consider a donation to the 21st century fund at www.ppnaz.org/calltoaction. We are indeed at a crossroads in our community - Paw Placement of Northern Arizona is all-in. Are you?

Again, happy holidays and thanks for caring about the animals.

Diane Jarvis, President

Vouchers for Spay/Neuter Surgeries

In November 14 vouchers were redeemed resulting in 12 cats and two dogs being spayed and two cats and one dog being neutered. This brings the total spay/neuter vouchers redeemed for the year to date to 194 for 70 dogs and 124 cats.

If you know of anyone who needs help with the cost of the surgery, please have them call the **Findlay Toyota Pet Resource Line** at 928-300-4510.

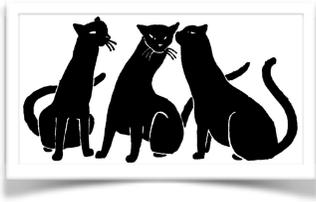
Financial Assistance for Emergency Veterinary Care

Thanks to grants from the Arizona Community Foundation, the Arizona Community Foundation - Flagstaff, and individuals like you, Paw Placement has been able to provide financial assistance to



83 individuals or families who have experienced a medical emergency with their pet so far this year.

Community Cats



Of the 124 spay/neuter vouchers redeemed for cats mentioned above, 39 of them were for feral or stray cats. These vouchers were requested by individuals who cared about the stray cats around their home or workplace. If there are free-roaming, stray, or feral cats in your neighborhood or around your workplace, protect your pet and call the **Findlay Toyota Pet Resource Line** at 928-300-4510 for help in trapping, neutering, and returning the cats to their community.

In addition, Paw Placement has been working with Tuba City Humane in its effort to assist someone who has 14 feral cats who need to be spayed or neutered. Paw Placement has provided vouchers to cover the cost of surgeries for six of the cats to date.

You Can Help Us Maintain These Programs

Giving to Paw Placement of Northern Arizona is easy. You can go online to ppnaz.org/donate to make a tax-deductible donation in an amount that works for you. You also can mail a donation to P.O. Box 942, Flagstaff, AZ 86002. We appreciate your support as do the pets and their families.

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Wildflowers of Coconino County
2018 Calendar



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The calendar opens to 8.5 inches wide by 11 inches high and will perk up your home or office or make a great gift. The cost of \$15 includes shipping and handling. All proceeds benefit PPNAZ's plan to create a 21st Century animal shelter. Order now at PPNAZ.org.

Pets for Life - Partner Profile

Tractor Supply Co.

Tractor Supply Company has been a supporter of Paw Placement since they came to Flagstaff. They have supported us with events and donations and they hosted our recent Photos with Santa event. They will allow us to set up an information table whenever we want so we can share information about Paw Placement as well as provide educational materials about the importance of spay/neuter, dog training, and more.

Community values are an important part of the Tractor Supply Company philosophy. For them "service means more than helping customers save time and money. It means serving our communities and supporting the programs that strengthen them."

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