

# A HOPE MEWSWORTHY

September 2022 Edition

## WHAT ARE WE UP TO?



Progress continues on the affordable, high-volume spay/neuter clinic. It will allow us to save far more animals than ever before. However, funding is still needed. Visit [www.ahope4src.com/cliniccomingsoon](http://www.ahope4src.com/cliniccomingsoon) to help!

We're also planning the A New Leash on Love event. Sponsors are lining up for this fun, family-friendly fundraising event. Thank yous to Way Bail Bond, Phil Hall, P.A., Jewelers Trade Shop, and Tombstone Termite & Pest Control, Inc. Check out [www.ahope4src.com/annualevent](http://www.ahope4src.com/annualevent) for more info.

These two cats are double A HOPE alums. That's right - they've been through our system twice! Two years ago, Thumper and Bisquick along with Granny and Truvia were adopted by a lovely family.

Unfortunately, circumstances changed. Their adopters became unable to take care of them. With a heavy heart, they worked with us to help them find a home for their favorite felines.

It was an animal welfare miracle. Thumper and Bisquick were adopted together very shortly after they came back into our hands. Now, they live with their new family, receiving plenty of pets, chin scratches, and food that they need.

It's stories like this that make it all worth it. Thank you donors, fosters, and volunteers for making it all possible.



## BY THE NUMBERS

August was a good month. Our donors, fosters, and volunteers came together to save dozens of Emerald Coast critters. With your help, we've filled dozens of bellies this month and saved countless more from starvation.

Next month, we're going to keep up the pace. Expect more good things to come!



### In August, we...

Accepted **20 cats** and **5 rats** into our foster program.

Assisted **35 animals** with finding their forever families. Yay!

Transported **144 cats** and **13 dogs** to get fixed and vaccinated, bringing our year-to-date total up to **891 animals!**

Served **11 dogs** and **23 cats** during our monthly pet food pantry. That included:

- 117 pounds of dry dog food
- 97 pounds of dry cat food
- 54 cans of wet dog food.
- 82 cans of wet cat food
- Plus treats, pads, bowls, medicine, and more!

We'd like to give a huge THANK YOU to Betty Pullman from YMCA! Through our donors' help and our partnership with Meals on Wheels, we've provided food for the pets of our local senior citizens. We delivered 8 pounds of dry dog food, 88 pounds of dry cat food, and 21 cans of wet cat food!



Thank you to our August sponsor, Betty J Pullum  
YMCA!



## ADOPTION SPOTLIGHT

This has been a great month for adoptions! Many families made new best friends while saving a precious creature. There are more cats and rats available. Take one home with you today!



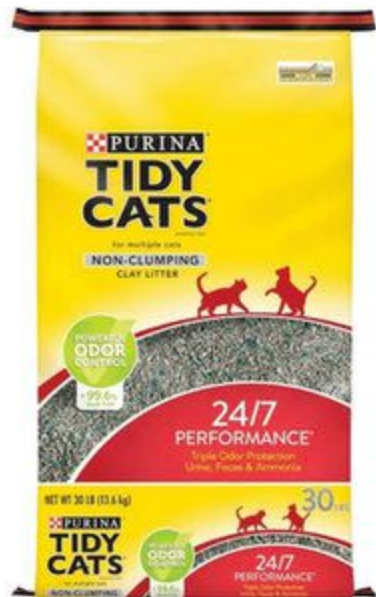
### Brenda Johnson August's Volunteer of the Month



#### Where we need people most right now:

- Drivers
- Volunteer Onboarding
- Data Input Assistants
- Event Coordinators
- Lawn Mowers

Bring your passion and skills to save lives with us!  
[www.ahope4src.com/volunteer](http://www.ahope4src.com/volunteer)



## WHAT DO WE NEED?

- Cleaning Supplies
  - Toilet Paper
  - Dish Soap
- Kitten Food
  - Iams Kitten Wet Food (Purple Package)
  - Royal Canin Mother & Baby Cat Wet
  - Iams Dry Kitten
- Cat Litter
  - Tidy Cats Clumping
  - Tidy Cats Non-Clumping
- Heartbeat Pillow
- Cat Nip
- Rebound Recuperation Formula
- Soft Blankets
- Forever Stamps
- Lime Sulfur Dip
- Feliway or Relixavat Calming Spray / Plug-ins



Find these and other items we need on our wishlist at [www.ahope4src.com/wishlist](http://www.ahope4src.com/wishlist).

If you can donate any of these items, please drop them off, or have them sent to us at 5755 Washington Street, Milton FL 32570.

**Because of your donations, we can save lives and keep families together.**



## UPCOMING EVENTS

### September 28th: Adoption Day (by appt only)

- Time 12:00 PM - 2:00 PM
- Location: 5755 Washington St, Milton
- Info: [www.ahope4src.com/adoptions](http://www.ahope4src.com/adoptions)

### October 4th: Spay/Neuter Registration Day

- Time 11:00 AM - 5:00 PM
- Location: [www.ahope4src.com/reserveaspot](http://www.ahope4src.com/reserveaspot)
- Info: Sign your pets up quickly, as spots fill up fast.

### October 8th: Board Meeting

- Time: 8:00 AM - 12:00 PM
- Location: On Zoom. Want to join the board? Donate at [www.ahope4src.com/volunteer](http://www.ahope4src.com/volunteer)

### October 9th: Pet Food Pantry Day

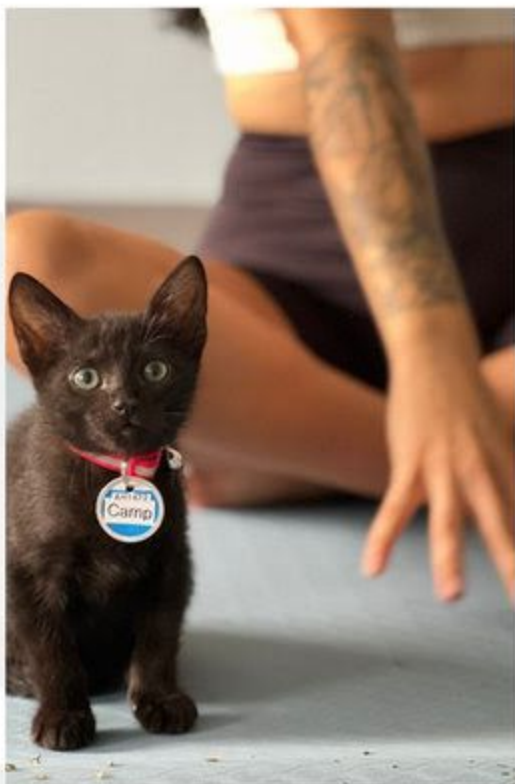
- Time: 1:00 PM - 3:00 PM
- Location: 5755 Washington St. Milton
- Info: [www.ahope4src.com/petpantry](http://www.ahope4src.com/petpantry)

### October 12th: Adoption Day (appt only)

- Time 5:00 PM - 10:00 PM
- Location: 5755 Washington St, Milton
- Info: [www.ahope4src.com/adoptions](http://www.ahope4src.com/adoptions)

### October 15th: Volunteer Orientation

- Time 5:00 PM - 10:00 PM
- Location: 5755 Washington St, Milton
- Info: Orientation for new and returning volunteers to get to know what's going on.



## PAW PAD PET FOOD PANTRY!

5755 Washington St Milton, FL 32570

Every 2nd Sunday of the  
month for pet food assistance

from 1-3 p.m.  
(or until food runs out)

Let us lend a helping paw and  
keep your pets home  
where they belong!



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See all upcoming events at  
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# THANK YOU!

With the help of our sponsors, we've saved the lives of many cats, dogs, and other furry creatures. Let's take a moment to thank all of the wonderful organizations out there who make A HOPE possible.



ANIMAL EYE CLINIC

Special thanks to Woodbine Animal Clinic, Amy's Home Pet Grooming, and our other sponsors!

## HOPE'S HEROES

A huge THANK YOU to our August donors:

Robin Gilmore	Lona Thrasher	Virginia Bowman	Mia Frisco	Jennifer Hendrix
Jebbye Lemons	Bridget Knight	Kerry Anne Schultz	Mckenna Carmichael	Danielle Jordan
Donna Fite	Jon & Tricia Green	Maureen Brescia	Linda Maguire	Kelly Leigh Clymer
Lynn Gilmore Melton	Christy Carlson	Mary Causey	Cynthia Fulford	Tracy Hornbrook
Kat Lyons	Mindy Wilson	Karan Llewellyn	Eileen Morris	Cynthia Howell
Holly & Jay Shands	Deborah Lewis	Paige Cary	Dana Aydelott	Barbara Hall

Don't see your name on this list?  
Add it by becoming a monthly donor here:  
[www.ahope4src.com/hopesheroes](http://www.ahope4src.com/hopesheroes)

## TAIL ME ABOUT IT!

### Why do dogs always take my spot on the couch?

Imagine this: you're sitting in your living room after a long day. While you're feeling fine, something's missing: a snack. You fetch a bag of chips and return, only to find your comfy spot taken by your furry friend. The betrayal!

This story is a classic tale known to many. Most dogs steal seats, but they're not doing it as an insult. They do this for two reasons: comfort and affection.

Barring unfortunate circumstances, people are warm. Thus, they leave warm spots that dogs love to sit in. Interesting fact: dog noses can do more than just smell - they can sense heat (or thermal radiation). Their ability to do so is millions of times higher than humans.

Speaking of noses, dogs also like to soak up your scent. It makes them feel safe, secure, and happy. Where better to smell you than where you've been sitting? That's why you should cherish every moment any animal steals your spot.

Want a dog to keep your spot warm for you? While we rarely have dogs available, we partner with many organizations that do. Visit our website at [www.ahope4src.com/adoptions](http://www.ahope4src.com/adoptions) to find a forever friend.



Do you have questions? We want to answer them!

Send any inquiries to [ahopenews@gmail.com](mailto:ahopenews@gmail.com), and maybe we'll answer yours in next month's Tail Me About It!