

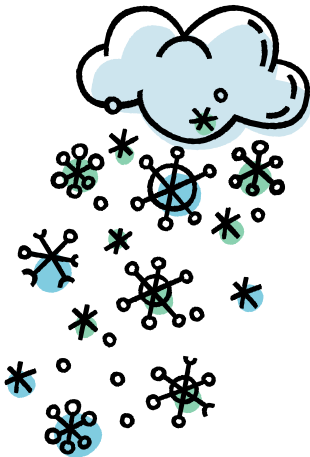
**Sioux Falls
Area Humane
Society**

Pet Scoop

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Issue**

UPCOMING EVENTS:

New Years Day | **January 1st**
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Protect Your Pets From the Harsh Winter Elements

With temperatures plummeting and the snow piling up fast, it's important to prepare your pets for such harsh weather conditions. Pets, just like humans, can suffer from frostbite and hypothermia. Here are some tips for keeping your furry ones warm during these bitter cold months.

1. Don't keep pets outside with no cover/shelter from the elements. Heated blankets in dog houses help if you have access

to an outdoor plug-in. Also be aware that only a handful of dog breeds can handle below freezing temperatures. Cold tolerance in dogs varies by coat thickness, fat storage, and health. Research your dog's breed if you are unsure of their cold tolerance.

2. Make sure your pet has the proper outerwear. If you have a pet that is petite or has little to no hair, coats, sweaters and booties are a good idea to keep them warm while taking potty breaks. In severe cold temperatures frostbite only takes a few short minutes to settle in.

3. Never leave your pet in a car during the winter months. Just like in the summer, pets trapped in cars during extreme temperature conditions can suffer from side effects. Make sure your car is always left running with the heat on when you have your pet waiting for you in a vehicle.
4. Bring all pets inside with you when temperatures drop to below freezing. Bring them in to ensure their safety during the bitter cold days this winter. They'll be happiest to be inside with you anyway.

Volunteer of the Month: Chasity Weeks

Chasity started volunteering in the fall of 2011 and spent so much time at the shelter that she decided she wanted to become an employee! She ended up working at the shelter for about one and a half years and we're still very lucky to have her as the Bow-Wow Meow Kid's Club Coordinator. Chasity teaches kids about the act of giving, different types of animals, how to care for them and much more! Always outgoing and friendly, Chasity is a pleasure to be around and will forever be a part of the SFAHS family. Thank you Chasity for all that you do!

Get to Know Chasity

What do you enjoy most about volunteering at the shelter? My favorite part of volunteering is traveling to area schools and spreading the word about the humane society. I love building relationships with the animals to help them find homes.

What is your favorite animal? My favorite animal is a dog. They are always there when you need them, like furry guardian angels.

Do you have any pets at home? I have a tripod cat and a tripod dog. Both were adopted from the humane society.

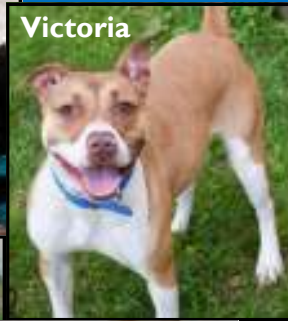


Longtime Residents in Need of a Home

The Sioux Falls Area Humane Society takes in thousands of animals every year. Many of the animals that come in our doors get adopted quickly because they are such charming and adorable pets. Unfortunately for some of our other furry friends here, they end up staying a much longer time than others at our facility. Currently we have many animals that have been at the shelter for 100 days or longer. Our shelter star, Victoria, has been here for almost a year now. She is now in our Paroled Pups program where she can get more one on one attention. This program helps with animals like Victoria that have



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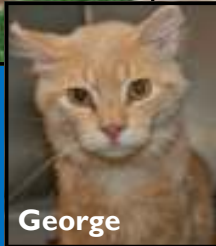
Victoria



Louisiana



Honey



George

been with us for so long. It helps them with their temperament and training so it may be easier to find an adopting family. We do the very best we can to try to find suitable homes for every animal that comes to our facility. We also don't put time limits on the animals that come here to get adopted. We want every animal here to find a loving home to go to no matter how long it takes to find it. If you know anyone looking to add a pet to their home please recommend adoption and give some of these less fortunate animals a second chance at life with a loving family.

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Shelter Stars



This is Wendy. She is a 2 year old domestic shorthair cat that came to the shelter as a stray in May of 2013. Little is known about Wendy's earlier life. She is an independent girl but loves to be petted when she comes to you for attention. It is unknown how she does with other pets. She is not yet spayed but she is micro-chipped, frontlined and started on vaccinations. Come meet Wendy and see if she could be the newest feline friend for your home!



This is Victoria. She came to the shelter as a stray with very little information on her earlier life. She has been a wonderful dog here at the shelter. She loves to play with tennis balls and enjoys going on walks. She would do well in home with kids 12 and up due to her energy level and strength. We are unsure if she has ever lived with other pets so introductions are encouraged if you have another pet at home. She will need a patient and active owner willing to train her and give her all the exercise she needs. She is already spayed, micro-chipped, frontlined and started on her vaccinations. Come meet Victoria today and see if she could be a good fit for your home.

CUPCAKES FOR CRITTERS

Mark your calendars! Cupcakes for Critters is coming up and you won't want to miss out on the delicious cupcakes available for you and your sweetie this Valentine's Day! Pick ups will be on February 13th and 14th at the shelter. A menu and order forms will be available soon. Only pre-orders will be accepted and all orders must be in by February 10th.

The Sioux Falls Area Humane Society is selling boxed cupcakes for Valentine's Day! Share the love this Valentine's Day and help our shelter pets!

Including a variety of delectable flavors!