



Rockbridge Dog Rescue



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HAPPY HOLIDAYS!

RDR Receives Two Mauds Foundation Grant



We are the proud recipient of a generous grant from Two Mauds, Inc. for our Spay/Neuter Assistance Program! Our program has helped over 200 local dogs since 2011. While all breeds are eligible, we are focusing our efforts on "Bully" breeds and Hounds, as these dogs are most likely to end up in shelters and least likely to be adopted.

Thanks to our local vet partners, Dr. Sheryl Carls (Lexington Animal Hospital) and Dr. Ed Showalter (Rockbridge Spay, Neuter, & Outpatient Clinic) for helping prevent countless unwanted puppies in Rockbridge County! Visit our website for more information.

Want to know how you can help local pets in need?
Visit our website at
www.rockbridge.dogrescue.org

RDR Pet Food Pantry Now Open!

The RDR Pet Food Pantry is up and running! We have partnered with the Rockbridge Area Relief Association to help provide families in need with adequate, proper nutrition for their pets. Our pantry provides food for dogs and cats.

We have donation boxes set up at Baby's First Gift Shop in downtown Lexington and Lexington Pet World on Route 60. We will have a table set up once a month at the RARA Food Pantry. The RDR Food Pantry is an important part of our community assistance programs, which promote pet retention and improve the lives of local pets!



In 2013:

- **17 dogs were rescued**
- **22 dogs were adopted**
- **We passed 200+ dogs spayed/neutered!**

Updates & Happy Tails



Ellie

We have an update on Ellie, the little shelter dog who was adopted and trained to be a therapy dog. Some of you may remember seeing this sweet girl on our float in the Christmas parade last year. Kris from Blue Ridge Pet Partners reports:

"Ellie is doing fantastic with her family and has moved to Ohio. She's now certified and is able to pick up on (her Mom's) diabetic attacks 10-5 minutes prior to occurrences. Ellie also participated last year in a therapy program at a local children's

hospital. She brightened the day of 60 boys and girls, ranging from 2-18 years of age. She did a remarkable job and I was so proud of her. "

Way to go, Ellie! We are proud of you, too!



Moses

"Moses is a healthy, frisky dog now. He goes on long walks twice a day with his 2 blond buddies (also rescued dogs). Moses will get a sparkle in his eye then run around like a wild thing (even up the stairs). He loves soft, squeaky toys and plays fetch. He has even learned a trick - to twirl in a circle. He likes to visit the groomer and sniff other dogs there. He enjoys slumber parties with visiting dogs and loves car rides of any length. Moses' best friend, Sadie, keeps his ears clean. Moses also likes his 3 cats, but he especially likes their cat bed. Moses loves to be petted and can stand all day with his head pressed against someone waiting for more pets. Most of all, he loves food! Moses leaps straight up into the air when he sees his food bowl. He is a svelte 40 pounds now with a full coat of hair. Even his bald tail has filled in with thick fur. It's heartwarming to see how he has healed since his rescue 2 yrs ago. His gentle, sweet spirit shines through and he is a happy boy. "



Joey



"Joey continues to thrive and be totally darling and joyful all the day long!"

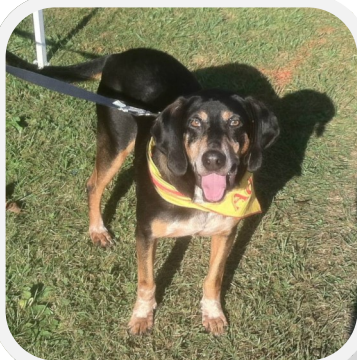


***Clover***

"It's Christmas again! I wait all year to write you a Christmas letter, this will be my third—Yikes! Who would have thought! But it just wouldn't be a holiday if I didn't thank you again for rescuing and saving me, if I didn't remind you how important everything you do is, to so many. I remember being that terrified, sick, lonely little pup that was lucky enough to catch your eye. Life totally changed for me after that and it's been smooth sailing ever since. I have a truly good life, I am happy, pampered and healthy, and I am loved beyond imagination."

***Rhett***

"Rhett is such a good boy! He is a real fireplace dog! He is a joy to have in our home. We could not be happier."



"They are so loving and playful...and we are so glad that they became part of our family! Thank you, RDR, for all you do!"

Lulu & Zoey

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