



Safe Haven Animal Sanctuary

SAFE HAVEN ANIMAL SANCTUARY

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25th Anniversary Edition 2021

Safe Haven Celebrates 25 Years of Saving Lives

In 1996, a group of dedicated animal lovers came together with a dream of creating a no-kill, nonprofit organization that would help spare the lives of animals in the Las Cruces area. With a small group of volunteers, plenty of donated goods and a lot of elbow grease and sweat, their dream became a reality in the East Mesa desert of Las Cruces.

Today that dream still exists and has grown to an even greater endeavor, thanks to the ideas and sacrifices of Safe Haven's early pioneers. Though two and a half decades have since passed, the spirit of those pioneers has been kept at the forefront of the work Safe Haven does on behalf of the abandoned cats and dogs who reside at the sanctuary.

There are so many people who have sacrificed for Safe Haven to become what it is today. From the volunteers, to the donors and the many businesses in our community who have helped us, we cannot thank you enough. It is because of the dedication and support that we have received from the animal lovers of our community that we have been able to continuously improve the lives of the animals in our care. Please accept our heartfelt gratitude for making our work possible!

The Sanctuary: Beginnings



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SNIP SNIP HOORAY! September 2021 Update

We are happy to report that Safe Haven held another "Snip Snip Hooray!" Three-Day Spay & Neuter Clinic for our community pet owners this past September—this was our first clinic since the start of the COVID-19 pandemic. Although the pandemic set us back and is still looming, it was evident that more people are anxious to "fix" their pets as tickets sold out in only four days! The low-cost clinic offered vaccinations & microchips with the purchase of a spay or neuter. The clinic had a great turnout and 177 cats & dogs were spayed or neutered over the three days. More than 100 volunteers showed up to help and several local businesses provided breakfast and lunch for the volunteers. A HUGE debt of gratitude goes out to everyone involved in this life-saving effort. Because we all worked together towards a solution to pet overpopulation in our community, hundreds, if not thousands of pets will be spared from abuse, neglect or unnecessary euthanasia. We plan to hold two three-day clinics in 2022—that deserves another **SNIP SNIP HOORAY!**



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SAFE HAVEN MISSION

**To seek permanent, responsible homes for
abandoned cats & dogs while caring for
them in a no-kill environment, and to
promote humane principles and behavior.**

Safe Haven to Host Putts Fore Paws Charity Golf Tournament October 14th



In celebration of its 25th Anniversary, Safe Haven Animal Sanctuary will be hosting the Putts Fore Paws Charity Golf Tournament at Sonoma Ranch Golf Course on October 14th.

Non-golfers are encouraged to join in the fun by attending the evening events, which will include a dinner buffet, silent auction, live music and cash bar in the large outdoor pavilion. Proceeds raised at this event will benefit the nearly 90 homeless cats and dogs residing at the Las Cruces area sanctuary.

"This is an exciting new opportunity for Safe Haven as we host our inaugural charity golf tournament," said Laura O'Connor, Safe Haven's Executive Director. "Since the onset of the COVID-19 pandemic we have been unable to hold events, so this is our first major fundraiser since 2019. Our goal is not only to raise funds to help the abandoned animals residing at our sanctuary, but to put an emphasis on the overwhelming population of unwanted pets in our community."

Each golf ticket includes 18 holes of play, a sack lunch, tournament awards ceremony, dinner buffet, silent auction, live music and cash bar. The dinner buffet will be catered by Sunset Grill and live music will be performed by Alison Reynolds.

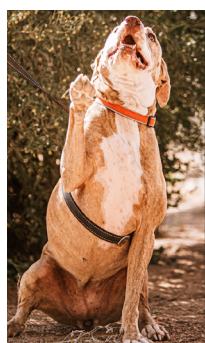
Tickets for an 18-hole foursome purchased prior to the event are \$450 (\$550 at the door), or an individual golf ticket is \$125 (\$140 at the door). Tickets for dinner and the evening events purchased prior to the event are \$35 each (\$40 each at the door). For tickets and event information, visit: shaspets.com.

IT'S ALL ABOUT THE PAWS!



SHAS FEATURED PETS

We'd LOVE a Home for the Holidays!



Amber



Meet Amber, a sweet and loyal love bug. Amber is a German Short Haired Pointer mix born in April 2012. Amber is house-trained, enjoys going for car rides and taking long walks to explore new things. Amber is affectionate & will be completely devoted to her owner. Amber is spayed, fully vaccinated and microchipped. She is also heartworm negative. Nobody deserves a loving home more than this sweetheart. Amber will make someone very happy! Are you her special someone? Please submit an application for Amber online at shaspets.com, or call **575-805-5338** for more information. By adopting from SHAS, you will open a space for another animal in need.



Lucius



Say hello to Lucius. Lucius is a male domestic short hair tuxedo born in January 2019. Lucius loves to play and enjoys snuggling with humans. Lucius is a laid back guy when he's not playing with toys or other cats. Lucius is neutered, up to date on vaccines and tests negative for feline diseases. If you're looking for a lovable, feisty, young guy to share your home with, Lucius won't disappoint. Do you have room in your heart and on your lap for a new best friend? If you're interested in this sweet, handsome boy, please submit an online application at shaspets.com or call **575-805-5338** for more information.

SHAS To Hold Open House & Annual Adopter Reunion

Saturday, October 30th



SHAS will be hosting its Annual Open House & Adopter Reunion on Saturday, October 30th from noon-3:00pm at the sanctuary. Admission is free and all are welcome. There will be food, refreshments and tours of the sanctuary, where our adoptable cats and dogs reside. Well-behaved, leashed dogs are welcome.

A group photo of guests and their pets will be taken at 1:30pm.

The sanctuary is located at 6890 Eagle Road in Las Cruces. If you need directions or have any questions, please call 575-805-5338. We hope to see you there!



A Home for the Holidays?



Safe Haven is a safe place for cats & dogs, but it is not a substitute for a home. We believe every animal deserves to live life in a home filled with love, care & respect. When you adopt an animal from SHAS, you get a pet that is spayed/neutered, current on vaccines, microchipped, & has been treated medically & emotionally—and we will be there for you long after adoption if needed. By adopting from Safe Haven, you will actually be saving TWO lives—the life of the pet you adopt & the life of a homeless pet in need who will fill the space you created by adopting.

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