

Directions to the FCAR Shelter

SHELTER →



Clement Dr.

Open 7:00 a.m. – Noon
7 days a week
(other hours by appt.)

Hewlett

Somerville

Hwy. 194

approx. 6 miles

Hwy. 194

Hwy. 194

Rossville

Oakland

Collierville

Hwy. 193

**Fayette County
Animal Rescue**
595 Clement Drive
Rossville, TN
854-2565

Germantown

Hwy. 57 / Poplar Ave.

Hwy. 64

Bartlett



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Fayette County Animal Rescue



A Quarterly Newsletter

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A Message from the President



Thank You!

We all go through hard times sometimes, whether financially or emotionally. But it's not often that we can turn to people who will respond the way that many of you did. Fayette County Animal Rescue has struggled financially during its eight years of existence, but through generous donations from our community of supporters, we have always managed to survive. Recently we faced a very serious financial crisis, and we had to ask our supporters and the community for assistance. Over the past year, we have had an increase in cruelty calls, which has led to the seizure of many dogs. Within two weeks we rescued fourteen puppies that all had a terrible case of mange, and three large dogs that were literally starving to death. All three starving dogs are also heartworm positive. Heartworm treatment is expensive, but we never question medical treatment for those in our care. But when our bills became more than we could handle, you stepped up and helped us beyond our expectations. We were all very overwhelmed by your generosity. We can never convey enough thanks to each and every one of you that sent a donation to us, but please know that we are eternally grateful. We were able to pay off our animal hospital bill, which is our biggest expense each month. It is our goal to take care of our current residents that may need some type of medical treatment that was delayed due to a lack of funding. With your benevolence, we hope to accomplish this goal by the end of the year. Please know that when you donate to Fayette County Animal Rescue, your dollars are put to good use and you are making a difference in the life of an animal. Thank you again, from everyone at Fayette County Animal Rescue. 🐾

Respectfully,

Gina Thweatt, President

FCAR is working towards the day when all dogs and cats can enjoy a happy life in Fayette County, free from the threat of suffering and destruction.

Pledge a gift to FCAR in your will to ensure that this happens and you'll be a faithful friend to animals forever!

Current Animals:

Dogs 78

Cats 12

TOTAL..... 90

2006 Adoptions:

Dogs 85

Cats 19

TOTAL..... 104

2006 Rescues:

Dogs 70

Cats 33

TOTAL..... 103

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Keep your pets INSIDE on the day before and the day of Halloween.

*Many pets are stolen,
tortured and killed on
these days. Be especially
careful if you own a
black cat.*

FCAR Wish List

- Dog houses
- Fencing
- Collars
- Leashes
- Towels
- Dog Beds

We're on the web at
www.fayettefcar.com

*Spay or Neuter your
pets! It's a matter of
life or death!*

FCAR Foster – The Patrick Family

Over the past year, FCAR has been blessed with so many wonderful new volunteers, some of which have opened their homes and their families up to foster FCAR rescues. The Patrick Family (Christy, Todd, Andrew & Sarah) started fostering for FCAR this past spring, and what a difference this family has made in the lives of many of our rescues! Since March, they have fostered over 25 animals in their home, providing the extra love, care, attention and discipline that the animals needed to find forever homes. Between this families' willingness to love, spoil, teach, socialize and train them along with Christy's ability to highlight the wonderful qualities of her fosters to potential adopters, they have created the best kind of revolving foster home that a rescue group could ever ask for. We have taken in several litters of puppies this year and we have worked diligently to move them all into foster care. While fostering new puppies is tremendously time consuming, puppies are generally not too difficult to find new homes. What Christy has done is not only taken in puppies and found them homes, but she has taken animals that have been at our shelter for months or even years and found them forever homes.

Dogs like Cherokee, who was terrified of everyone and had been at the shelter for almost a year or Babe, who had been at the shelter for a year after having been ignored by her owners for 2 years. Christy took them home, showered them with love and discipline and found them both new homes. Christy has recently taken Ozlo and Loopy home, two dogs that would have a very slim chance at being adopted if they were left at the shelter. Both require some extra TLC to help them past shyness (Loopy) or that require extra discipline (Ozlo). In most cases those who act scared or overly active most potential pet parents are not going to want to take a chance and take that dog home. But when we have the animal in foster care and we can explain to people the great qualities of the animal and any issues that an animal has, it makes them so much more adoptable.

We at FCAR just want to tell Christy and the entire Patrick Family and all of our other foster families how much you are appreciated. Fostering is a rewarding opportunity that makes a tremendous difference in the life of an animal. Thank you.

To find out how you can become a foster parent for FCAR contact us at (901) 854-2565. 🐾

Special Thanks to our 2006 Foster Families

Sam & Bonnie Thomas
Jason Thomas
Tammy Blevans
Martha Burge
David & Yvette Gilbert
Cheryl Whitt
Sonia Forgacz

Laurie & Ronnie
The Hoff Family
The Ketchersid Family
The Newell Family
The Patrick Family
The Schmuland Family



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Help us find Fayette County's homeless pets
A Home for the Holidays!

First Citizen's Bank Parking Lot • 7285 Hwy 64, Oakland

Saturday, Nov. 4th from 9am - 3pm



**Food
Crafts**

Vendors

**Many
Activities**

**Dog Training
Demonstrations**

Pet Adoptions
Over 40 Pets
available for
adoption

Fayette County Animal Rescue Investigates Cruelty to Animals

One of my most important responsibilities at Fayette County Animal Rescue is to investigate cruelty calls. People call the shelter quite frequently because they are concerned about some animals they have seen. Many say that the dogs or horses are emaciated, injured or not being properly cared for. They describe the dogs' living conditions and feel that they are not suitable. I investigate all calls that come in to the shelter. Some of the places I go to are very depressing. I wonder how can the owners see the condition of their dogs and not realize they are suffering, they need medical attention or they are living in filth. I have to keep my emotions in check, which is not always easy to do. Many of our dogs were rescued from animal cruelty calls, and I would like to tell you about some of them.

Gabriel: We got Gabriel from a cruelty investigation. He is a beautiful cream colored lab mix. He had been shot three times. One bullet went through his right eye, so that had to be removed. Another went through this left leg, and that bullet was removed. A third bullet is still lodged in his trachea, and cannot be removed. The surgery would be too risky, and he may not survive it.

As a result, he sometimes has trouble breathing, especially when he gets excited. He cannot run and play like other dogs, and he is only a year old! He can't stay out in the heat too long because that can also cause breathing problems. When he was rescued he also had a terrible case of mange. We treated that and he now has a beautiful coat of hair. From the first day we rescued him he always wagged his tail and has been a happy dog. He is just so sweet and it is so sad that he has been through so much. He has already developed arthritis in the leg where he was shot. And we have discovered he is heartworm positive, and so now he will have to go

through heartworm treatment. This sweet dog has endured so much, but he is very loved and well taken care of at the shelter. We just hope he doesn't have any more complications because he definitely doesn't deserve it. If Gabriel sounds like the dog for you, contact the shelter for more information.



Gabriel Before



Gabriel After

Warren: A lady placed a cruelty call about Warren. She said that Warren was tied up to a tree with no shelter and was left sitting out in the rain for several days. I went to check on him, and I found the cutest little German Shepherd mixed puppy with a terrible case of mange. I confronted the owners and asked why they had not taken him to a vet. The lady who lived at the house said that her son brought him home and she told him to take care of the puppy. One of the first things I noticed was that Warren had a docked tail, which is not normal for German Shepherds. I asked the lady, "What happened to this dog's tail?" She said her son put a rubber band around the tail to make it fall off. (The rubber band will cut off the circulation, causing the tail to fall off. This is very painful for the puppy.) Warren was scratching constantly because he had a terrible case of mange. He was also skinny. The lady had no desire to take care of him, so I convinced her to surrender Warren to me. I fell in love with him immediately. He was so sweet and so adorable. How could he be so neglected? Fortunately, Warren was adopted by a wonderful lady who adores him. He had a bad beginning that turned into a wonderful ending!!

There are many more stories I could tell you. In fact, I have been on two serious cruelty calls just last week, and I'm contemplating taking legal action against one owner. I do want to thank the people that call us about animals who need attention. Warren and Gabriel are two examples of success stories but there is still much to be done. With your financial support we can continue to help and heal the abused and neglected animals of Fayette county. 🐾



Warren Before Adoption



Warren After Adoption

Gina H. Thweatt

ANIMAL SPOTLIGHT

Godiva & Jenkins

Godiva was born on March 3, 2004 at our shelter. Her mother passed away right after Godiva and her 11 brothers and sisters were weaned so we consider her to be a sad but sweet reminder of how special her mom was. She was originally adopted out as a puppy but unfortunately was not being cared for so she came back to us to love until we can find her a forever home. She is very shy around new places and new people but it is amazing how quickly that shyness disappears with just a little bit of love. She was in foster care for a week and she just blossomed. She is very personable after just a day or so of getting to know you and loves to be petted and loved on. After a week in foster care she went back to the shelter to find herself a friend. She found Jenkins, a black lab mix born in October 2003, and they get along fabulously so the two of them will be going back to foster care together to run and play.

Unfortunately Godiva and Jenkins are both examples of how shyness can limit the adoptability of many of our adult dogs. Both are friendly and loving animals but it they just don't 'show' well to potential adopters. They are initially standoffish and scared and it takes a very special person to see past their insecurities and believe in them enough to spend the time to bring the wonderful qualities that they have out. Hopefully by being in foster care these two babies will get a renewed chance at finding a forever home through the increased socialization and additional information that



Godiva

we gain and can share with potential adopters. They are both so sweet you can only hope that someone will see in them what we do and give them a chance at a home of their own. 🐾

***Are one of
these dogs
for you?***



Jenkins

Ozlo

Ozlo was found running on a highway on March 23, 2006. He was picked up by one of FCAR's volunteers. He had terrible mange, but with time, medicated baths, and a little TLC, he was finally a healthy, bouncing boy!

Currently, Ozlo is in a foster home with other dogs, cats, and small children. He gets along great with everyone. Although he is full of energy, he minds well in the house and is crate trained. He is now attending professional training with his foster mom and doing great. So far, he has learned how to sit, lay down, and stay. Ozlo is very responsive to each command and his foster mom is so proud of him! He is a very happy and outgoing dog, not afraid of anything!

Ozlo is a small/medium size dog, weighing only 37 pounds and most of it is belly! He is a little dog with a big heart, and full of energy. When Ozlo wags his tail, his entire body shakes! His date of birth is approximately April 28, 2005. He is still very young, but full-grown and will make an excellent addition to any home. 🐾



Ozlo

Upcoming Events:*

OCTOBER

- 10/06-10/08 Adoption Event at Petsmart-Wolfchase
- 10/14 Petsmart Adoption Event
Heartstong Church, 800 Houston Levee Rd., 4pm
- 10/21 Petco Cordova: Adoption Event
- 10/28 Howl-O-Ween Pet Costume Contest
- 10/28 Petsmart: Adoption Event

NOVEMBER

- 11/04..... 2nd Annual FCAR "A Home for the Holidays" Pet Adoption Festival (First Citizens National Bank . Parking Lot , Oakland)
- 11/11..... Petsmart Adoption Event
- 11/11..... Just Dogs! Gourmet: Adoption Event
- 11/18..... Petco Cordova: Adoption Event
- 11/25..... Petsmart: Adoption Event

DECEMBER

- 12/01-25.. Animal Angel Tree: Fundraising Event
(check website for more info)
- 12/09 PetsmartAdoption Event
- 12/16 Petco Cordova: Adoption Event
- 12/21 FCAR Board Meeting

November Garage Sale Donations:

FCAR will be holding another garage sale in November to benefit the animals at our shelter. Please drop off items you would like to donate by October 31st at the shelter. Check website for more info.

**This schedule is tentative and is subject to change.*

You can be their voice!

Speak up for animals in Fayette County by making a tax-deductible gift to the Fayette County Animal Rescue's annual fund. Your contribution will help to fund our ongoing fight against animal cruelty, house homeless pets, and make safe shelter and care available for unwanted or neglected animals of Fayette County.

Founded in 1997 Fayette County Animal Rescue has placed hundreds of pets in loving homes. This year alone, 104 pets have found their forever families with the help of volunteers and staff at FCAR. Each animal is vaccinated, provided medical care, given flea and tick preventative medication, micro-chipped and provided food, love and shelter by FCAR.

But there's much more work to be done, it is only through the generosity of volunteers and donors that our work can continue. With no government funding and limited grants and corporate support, almost 100% of FCAR's operating budget comes from individuals like you who care about the welfare of Fayette County's companion animals. Please consider a gift in any amount today, speak up for those who do not have their own voice. 🐾



Memorials and Honorariums

Gifts Made In Memory of Loved Ones

"Baby" beloved pet of Michael and Delores Provow from Pam and Bobby Levy

Mrs. Elsie Sanderson Mother of Randy Sanderson from Pat Furr

Joyce M. Gowrylok Mother of Tracey Palfrey from Harriet Meyerose

"Maggie" beloved pet of Jennifer Walker

Sylvester, Taffy and Archie beloved pets of Don and Babs Oliver and Family

James Boyd McCalla Father of Larry McCalla from Charlie M. Smith

"Rocky" beloved cat of David Wichlan from Dana Marshall

"Domino" beloved cat of David Wichlan from Dana Marshal (note Sherry keep these separate)

Elizabeth Williams from Larry McCalla

"Harley" beloved pet of Phil and Kim Brown from Ann Brown

"Girl" beloved pet of Brian Able from Delores Provow

"Girl" beloved pet of Brian Able from Dr. Lauren Wiltshire

"Girl" beloved pet of Brian Able from Colleen Able

In Memory of Many from Edward and Gloria Woerle

Loving Memory of Bear from Delores Provow to Rex and Maggie Powers



CoCo, our precious 16 year old ShihTzu who was dearly loved from Debby Earles

Gifts Made In Honor

In Appreciation of Michael L. Provow from Anna Leita Werkhoven

In honor of Buster B. Brown, Dog of Renown, Mom and Dad's Second Son Lee Lawson

In honor of Cheyenne from Donna Short

In appreciation for consultation on cabinet work from Michael Provow

In Honor of Aunt Lois from Amy Cowan



**In Loving Memory of "Baby". You will be GREATLY missed.
Rest in Peace my Dear Baby.**