



DISCARDED, BUT NOT DEFEATED

We don't remember where we came from. We **do** remember the fear, the hunger, and the cold earth beneath us. Some of us were left in a field—so many of us, too many to count. We were miserable, our little bodies weak, our bellies empty, with sickness spreading among us.

And then there were gentle hands and soft words. *They* didn't leave us. They set out food, stayed patient, whispered promises we didn't understand but desperately wanted to believe. One by one, they gathered us. We were scared, but we were safe. Not all of us made it. The sickness took at least one of our siblings and another was hit by a vehicle before help arrived. But the humans fought for us. We heard them say "Parvo." We didn't know what it meant, but we heard the worry in their voices.

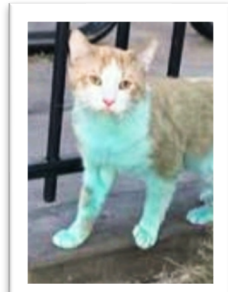
There were more humans from Miles of Love and CDHS too. These people were all so kind and determined, unwilling to let us fade away. We were no longer alone. All of us received medical care, including a special treatment—something called the Canine Parvovirus Monoclonal Antibody therapy. We don't know what that means, but they said it could shorten the disease and improve our chances.

We heard there were others like us—30 small corgi mixes left alone and afraid. They were hiding, hearts pounding, avoiding the traps at first. Some had never known kindness, never been touched by a loving hand. Patience and persistence brought them in. One by one, they, too, found safety. But their road is longer—the fear still lingers in their eyes.



And then, there was the little one. A baby. Too young to be alone, tossed like garbage into a dumpster. Who could do such a thing? A volunteer found him and made sure that tiny heart kept beating, that tiny body felt love.

Two more pups in a field. Small, helpless, yearning for affection. And a cat—oh, the cat. His fur stained by the cruelty of careless hands. The humans shook their heads. Was it toxic, did it burn the skin? Was he in pain? They would fight for him, too.



We heard the rescuers talk about how hard this month has been. How the cruelty of some humans breaks them. How tired they are, and how the costs pile up. But then they talk about the others—the good ones. The ones who speak up, who show up, who give, and who remind them why they do this.

And they talk about accountability. Because someone did this. Someone left us to die. And someone out there knows who. If we want this to stop, we need to speak up. To demand better. To hold those responsible accountable—not out of revenge, but to ensure that others like us never have to feel the terror of abandonment.

We don't know what will happen next. But we know this: we are safe, we are warm, and we are loved now. And because of this community, rescuers will keep showing up, fighting for others like us who cannot fight for themselves.



**Thank You, PetSmart –
for your tremendous
support of
rescue
animals!**



ROUGH START – BRIGHT FUTURE

Meet *Linguine*,

Linguine’s journey hasn’t been the easiest, but he’s ready for a bright future with a family of his own! This playful, three-year-old kitty came to us as a stray from the Bismarck Pound.

Now that he’s safe and healthy, Linguine thrives in the company of other active cats who love to play as much as he does. He’s a fan of tunnels and anything he can bat around—especially if it sparkles!

Sudden surprises can be a little scary because Linguine is deaf, but once he trusts you, chin scratches and head hums (yes, he loves those!) are the way to his heart.



ADOPT

Adopted Dogs

Dollar, Murphy, Arya, Little Red, Smokey, Zoe, Sammy, Cora, FloJo, Doug, Macy, Otis, Hoss, GiGi, Tuna, Dolly, Lady, April, Elvis, Max, Jagger, Ember, Buddy, Frost, Daisy, Jazzy, Rue, Moxie, Baxter, Token

Adopted Cats

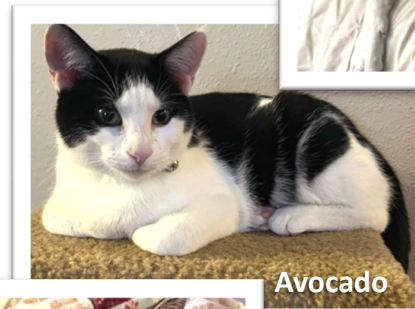
Sweetums, Jack, Fernando, Panther Patches, Daisy, Trixie, Chloe aka Moxie, Stickle, Blot, Maple, Philly, Frankie, Mika Charlie, Mia/Chloe, Ozzy, Abbie, Callie, Ling Ling, Bitsy, Dash, Milton, Garfield, Clarice, Penny, Suzy, Spice, Winny Marie-Louise, Pirate, Arwen, Jack Freddi, Squeak, Charlotte, Lucy, Freya Statler, PopTart, Jalapeno, Sofia



Dash



George



Avocado



Serrano



Amee



Molly



Congratulations



HONORING SHELLEY: A TRUE ANIMAL RESCUE HERO

We are incredibly proud to congratulate Shelley on receiving the prestigious **Wendall Award** from Central Dakota Humane Society!

This award recognizes her unwavering dedication to rescuing lost and abandoned animals and the profound impact she has on the community.

Shelley is one we turn to when an animal is in distress. Whether it’s tracking down a lost pet, safely capturing a dumped animal using the big Missy trap or braving the late-night hours and relentless North Her selflessness and commitment to giving animals a second chance inspire us all.

A heartfelt thank you to CDHS for recognizing Shelley’s incredible contributions, and an even bigger **thank you to Shelley** for the countless lives she has saved. We are beyond grateful for you!



DRIVE CHANGE: SUPPORT RESCUE PETS WITH EVERY MILE

Big news, animal lovers! You can show off your love for rescue animals while cruising around town – Furry Friends Rockin’ Rescue now has its very own North Dakota license plate! And the best part? Every plate sold sends \$15 straight back to the rescue to help save more animals.

These plates aren’t just for show – they’re a statement. A way to let people know you care about giving animals a second chance. And who knows? Seeing that emblem just might inspire someone else to foster, adopt, or chip in to help the cause. It’s a small switch that could make a big difference.



The money raised from these plates will go directly toward food, vet care, and whatever else our rescue animals need while they wait for their forever homes. It’s an easy way to give back, and it means the world to the animals we save.

So, if you’ve been looking for a way to help, this is it! Slap a Furry Friends plate on your ride and wear your love for rescue proudly.



PARVO 101

Parvo in Puppies: What You Need to Know

If you’ve ever heard someone in the rescue world mention “Parvo” with a look of concern, there’s a good reason. Canine Parvovirus (Parvo) is a highly contagious and often deadly virus that primarily affects puppies. It attacks the gastrointestinal system, causing severe vomiting, diarrhea (often bloody), fever, and lethargy. Without quick intervention, it can be fatal.

How Do Puppies Get Parvo?

Parvo spreads through direct contact with an infected dog or contaminated surfaces like floors, food bowls, and even human hands or shoes. The virus is incredibly resilient and can survive in the environment for months. That’s why shelters and rescues take extreme precautions with new intakes, disinfecting everything and monitoring puppies for symptoms.

Can Parvo Be Treated?

While there’s no direct cure, supportive care – fluids, anti-nausea medication, antibiotics to prevent secondary infections, and sometimes hospitalization – can help puppies survive. In recent years, an antiviral medication called Canine Parvovirus Monoclonal Antibody (CPMA) has become available. This treatment helps the immune system fight the virus more effectively and has shown promising results in increasing survival rates, especially when given early.

The Best Defense? Vaccination!

The Parvo vaccine is a lifesaver. Puppies need a series of shots, usually starting at 6-8 weeks old, with boosters every few weeks until they’re fully vaccinated. Until then, keeping young puppies away from public areas and unvaccinated dogs is key to keeping them safe.

Parvo is scary, but with awareness, prevention, and quick action, more puppies can survive and thrive. If you ever suspect a puppy has Parvo, don’t wait – get them to a vet immediately!

UPCOMING EVENTS

MEET & GREETs

April 5 – Edgewood Vista, Mandan
11am - 2pm

April 11 – Pure Barre, Bismarck
4pm – 7 pm

April 12 – Toy Show, Bismarck Eagles
10am – 4 pm

April 25 – Garden Show, Bismarck Civic Center
3pm – 8 pm

April 26 – Garden Show, Bismarck Civic Center
9am – 4 pm

May 5 – Pizza Ranch Fundraiser, Bismarck
4pm – 8 pm



B-I-N-G-O

Every Thursday, 6 p.m.
GIDEON's BREWING COMPANY
Great Prizes | Cash Play only

BLACKJACK

Thursdays, Fridays, and Saturdays | 6 p.m.
DJ's Pizza & Lounge | Lincoln

PETSMART MEET & GREET

Every Saturday | 11am – 2pm

DOG TRAINING CLASSES

With Trainer Nancy Gerhardt
Basic | Intermediate | Advanced
Visit Eventbrite for details

These community businesses support us through sponsored gaming.

Jack's Steakhouse | Main Street Drive Thru Liquor | DJ's Pizza & Lounge
The Firepit | Gideon's Brewing | Big Dog Tiki Bar

THANK YOU FOR YOUR SUPPORT!

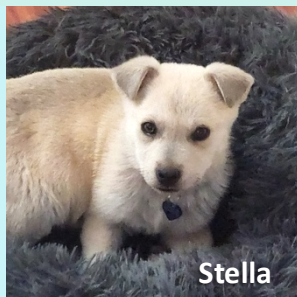
These adorable faces are waiting for their forever families.



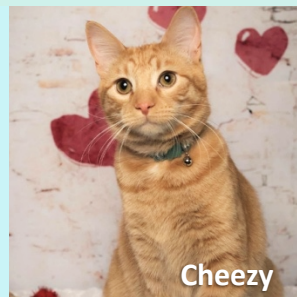
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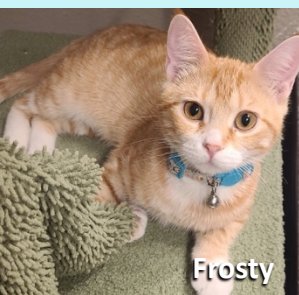
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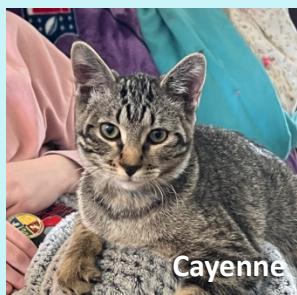
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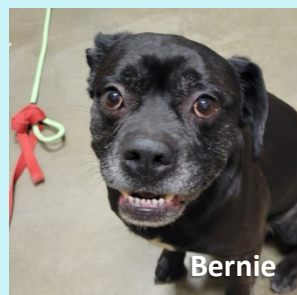
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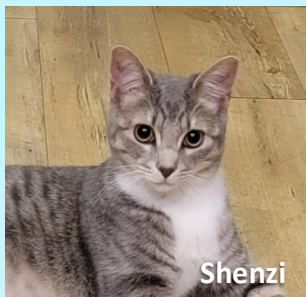
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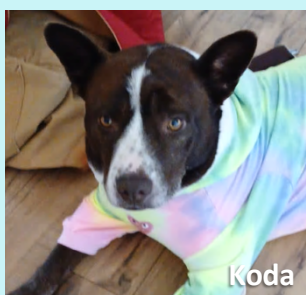
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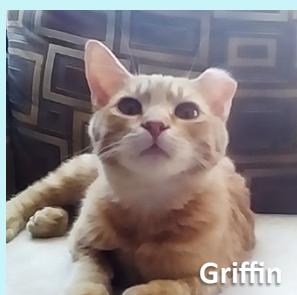
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Koda



Griffin



Raisin

As we look ahead to spring, we're excited for new beginnings, more lives saved, and the continued journey of making a difference together!

