

June 2022

June is National Foster a Pet Month



More Foster Homes Needed!

Make a Difference...
Become a Foster

By taking an animal in need temporarily into your home you're:

- freeing up a spot so the shelter or rescue can take in another animal.
- giving your foster animal the time it needs to be ready for adoption.
- socializing the animal to a home environment and possibly getting it used to being around other pets and different types of people.
- helping the shelter learn more about the animal so they can be adopted into the best home possible.

If you like animals and can't commit to owning one, this is the thing for you!
Visit our website for a foster application today.

 5366 South Indianapolis Rd
Whitestown, IN 46075
877-473-6722 (877-HSforBC)
HSforBC.org

HSforBC is in need of foster homes for big dogs and adult cats. Our shelter and foster homes are full.

Foster homes are an important part of the placement process for our cats and dogs. They give the animals a place to learn socialization for their forever home.

Heartworm positive animals need to live in foster homes because there is too much excitement at the shelter. The animal must have a quiet and calm environment.

We supply everything you need for

the animals. You just provide the home, the love and the transportation back and forth to the shelter for vaccinations.

To volunteer as a foster family or individual, fill out a "Foster" application on our website for consideration by the canine or feline program director. Applicants will be interviewed and, if accepted for the program, attend an orientation meeting followed by training sessions before caring for a foster dog or cat at home.

[Click here for more foster information.](#)

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2022 Golf Scramble



It was a beautiful day for our annual Golf Scramble on May 16 at the Golf Club of Indiana. We are grateful for our sponsors: Bone Dry Roofing and Owens Corning, DK Pierce, Tom Wood Toyota, LA Cafe, Amore, ms consultants, True Temp, Pulte Homes, Engineered Solutions Midwest, TDS, Bose McKinney and Evans, Indianapolis Car Exchange, Centier Bank, Tracy Ridings with FC Tucker, Boone Beverage, Klooz Brewz, Zionsville Monthly, Indy's Pro Graphix and Dixon Golf.

With such wonderful sponsors, silent auction donations, hole sponsors, great golfing supporters and help from our friends at the Golf Club of Indiana we raised more than \$24,000 after expenses for the kitties and puppies at HSforBC.

Meet the Grainery Pups (AKA Potato Pups)



Meet the Grainery Pups: Kernel, Hominy, Amaranth, Basmati, Maize and Oats. The tiny pups, three boys and three girls, were left at the entrance of a local grainery in early April, hence the names. The puppies were taken home by the amazing Amanda Bishop, a longtime HSforBC volunteer. Amanda fosters our newborn orphan puppies a few times a year when we need her expertise.

Amanda describes the first few weeks: "The puppies were set up in a nursery box with a puppy warmer to keep them nice and toasty. Puppies cannot maintain their own body temperature until they are several weeks old so we have to do that for them. We have special heating pads that help keep them at the perfect temperature without overheating. Getting hot is just as dangerous as getting cold.

The pups took their first bottles fairly well. I'm sure it tastes nothing like Mama's milk, but a hungry puppy doesn't care too much in the end. Luckily, these puppies had enough time with Mama to get a good dose of colostrum from her. Colostrum is a rich, fatty milk that is packed with antibodies the puppies need to fight off illness. Getting colostrum from Mama can literally be the difference between life and death for newborn puppies so we are very grateful they got it.

The puppies got fed, burped, cleaned and pooped (they can't do that on their own either) every three hours around the clock for the first couple of weeks just like Mama would do for them."

At 5 weeks old, the pups went to two new foster homes. Unvaccinated pups cannot be in the shelter for health reasons. They could get sick and possibly decline.

The puppies are now about 2 months old and thriving. They are sweet pups and will be available for adoption soon. See the next page for HSforBC's breed guessing contest.

Thank You

Thank you Boone County Shrine Club for your donations and support.

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Thank you Zionsville Girl Scout Troop #4725 for your donations.

Thank you Zionsville Community Enrichment for the \$2,500 grant to assist with trap/neuter/return efforts. This assistance will help keep the feral and community cat population down for Zionsville residents.

Thank you for voting Humane Society for Boone County the Best Non-Profit Organization.



WHAT BREED MIX ARE WE?

Everyone keeps asking what breed the 6 puppies of the Potato litter are, let's find out!

HSforBC is Embarking the DNA of the puppies and we are having a contest for you to guess the most dominate breeds. Submit your guesses in order of the top 3 in descending order and the closest guess wins a HSforBC sweatshirt and t-shirt. When the results come back in 3-4 weeks we'll share the results and the winner of the contest.

Follow the link below to submit your guess by July 1, 2022.

\$5 per guess, no limit on the number of guesses you can submit.



[Click here to enter](#)

BISSELL PET FOUNDATION'S

empty the shelters

NATIONAL ADOPTION EVENT

Visit bissellpetfoundation.org/ets for more details!





Ten dogs and five cats were adopted from HSforBC thanks to the Bissell Pet Foundation's "Empty the Shelters" grant that reimbursed us for adoptions from May 2 to May 15.

Calliope Gets a Cast by Mary Ann Garber



Kittens love to run and play and climb and jump. They only hold still when they are asleep.

Chase is a fun game too, but HSforBC foster kitten Calliope found out the hard way that kitties can't fly after she took a big leap off a cat tree while chasing her litter mates.

Her daring jump from a high ledge on the cat tree earned her a cast on May 9 when she landed wrong and broke the femur bone in her left rear leg.

After a veterinarian splinted then cast her leg, the beautiful gray and white Tuxedo kitten had to stay in a kennel for several weeks to limit her mobility except for brief supervised play times each day with her foster mom carefully watching her.

Now 14 weeks old, Calliope is an active kitten again and has hopefully learned her lesson about what can happen when climbing and chasing. Her cast was removed on May 30, and she is expected to make a full recovery.

"She healed very quickly, mainly because she was so young," said Dawn Walker, HSforBC's Feline Program director. "She did very well in her cast."

During her recovery, Calliope also charmed her foster family, who decided to adopt her.



Our Featured Adoptables



Tonka

Tonka is less than a year old and weighs 45 pounds. He is fostered with other dogs as well as cats and young children. Because he is young and full of energy, he will need a fenced yard.



Liberty

This Tabby girl is about 8 years old and enjoys the company of people. She would prefer a calm and loving family with older children.

Parvo Puppies Battled Virus by Christy Brubaker



When people think about working in animal rescue, they imagine all of the fun times ... frolicking in the grass with a dog, petting a cuddly cat in the sun or the joy of seeing a child with a new pet. They may not consider the times it will break your heart into a million pieces.

In early April, the Humane Society for Boone County accepted eight puppies that were being transported from Tennessee. The puppies arrived safely and were settled into two foster homes and named after Marvel characters:

Rogue, Scarlet, Hawkeye, Nebula, Gamora, Pepper Potts, Thor and Sersi. By the next day, Pepper was ill and she was soon followed by Scarlet and Sersi. It was quickly determined that the puppies had contracted the canine parvovirus.

Canine parvovirus is a highly contagious virus that is spread from dog to dog by direct or indirect contact with their feces. Left untreated, it has an extremely high mortality rate. By the third day, all but one puppy were showing symptoms. The sickest puppies were given serum that was created from the blood of puppies that HSforBC had previously treated for parvovirus. Because those puppies had been ill and survived the illness, their blood contained antibodies. The hope was this serum would speed up the recovery of the newly sick litter.

Several volunteers worked diligently to save the puppies. They gave subcutaneous fluids, administered medications, syringe fed the puppies liquids to keep them hydrated and even inserted IV catheters when those methods proved ineffective. Seven out of eight puppies survived the illness. Sadly, Rogue passed away a week after coming into foster care.

The volunteers of the Humane Society for Boone County saved most of the puppies with their hard work and dedication. Animal rescue is like the "Tale of the Starfish." Sometimes it seems overwhelming due to the number of animals that need help. We can't give up though. We have to smile and say, "I made a difference to that one." We can make a difference even if it is only in the life of one animal.



We hope you like our new e-newsletter format.

We are thrilled to offer our information in an electronic format which allows us to save dollars previously spent on paper, ink and stamps. This makes more funds available to help more cats and dogs.

We appreciate your support and want to keep you up to date on all things HSforBC.

Pawsitively yours,

The volunteers, board and staff of HSforBC.



Donate to Humane Society for Boone County

We are a private, nonprofit, 501(c)(3), almost entirely volunteer organization dedicated to preventing cruelty to animals. We serve animals and residents of Boone County by providing shelter and compassionate care for abandoned, abused, surrendered and lost animals of Boone County.

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