



Friends of Charlie's Place Chat

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Dear Animal Lover,

Friends of Charlie's Place (FOCP) volunteers and the Clear Creek/Gilpin County Animal Shelter had a busy year holding fundraisers, socializing shelter dogs and helping Charlie's Place save lives. With your help, we saved over **200 dogs and cats** from euthanasia at kill shelters and have helped loving families find their best friend. FOCP makes this possible by covering **all** of the transfer costs and medical care necessary for the transferred dogs and cats, including spaying/neutering, heartworm tests, vaccinations, and dental care – at no cost to county citizens.

All proceeds from FOCP fundraisers go directly to support the needs of Charlie's Place and local animals. In 2018, year-to-date, FOCP has spent more than **\$5,700** on the spaying and neutering of shelter animals and **\$32,540** on their medical needs. Additionally, **\$8,500** was spent on training to help make the animals more adoptable. FOCP also contributed over **\$9,850** of assistance to citizens using our spay/neuter voucher program and **\$1,730** to support foster care. No animal coming into Charlie's Place has ever gone without needed medical care, thanks to FOCP. We also donate pet food to Loaves and Fishes for families in need. And we continue to work together for the good of all of our counties' residents.

FOCP and Charlie's Place work with community partners to help sponsor family events and fundraisers, like the Canine on the Creek 5k and Hike With A Shelter Dog. Clear Creek Metropolitan Recreation District, The Gilpin Arts Festival, Saratoga Casino, Friends of Empire Fall Festival, Chrome Salon, Gilpin County Fair, and many more local organizations and businesses work with FOCP to help get our adoptable animals noticed and keep Charlie's Place the wonderful state-of-the-art facility that it is.



Our Sincere Gratitude

Friends of Charlie's Place and Charlie's Place would like to express our sincere thanks to our:

- 🐾 Dedicated and hardworking volunteers and staff of Charlie's Place.
- 🐾 Foster parents and families who care for cats and dogs in their homes.
- 🐾 Adoptive families who have welcomed a new family member from Charlie's Place into permanent, loving homes.
- 🐾 Community of individuals, groups and businesses who support our efforts through fundraising, donations of food, pet supplies and monetary gifts.
- 🐾 Dedicated doctors and staff from area veterinary clinics who treat our animals and provide for their care.

2018 Success Stories



Belle, a 2 year-old female Blue Heeler mix was saved from euthanasia and brought to Charlie's Place where she received umbilical hernia surgery and treatment for spay complications!

Rocket, (photo right) was brought to Charlie's Place from a high kill shelter and received much needed eye surgery to correct an Entropion condition to improve his vision and life.

Harden, (photo left) a 2-year old Cattle Dog mix, was deliberately dragged behind a car and suffered from deep wounds. He was taken to a high kill shelter where he landed on the euthanasia list. Harden was brought to safety at Charlie's Place and found his forever home!

Link, was an unclaimed stray that landed in a kill shelter back in January. Link was scheduled to be euthanized on Valentine's Day due to overcrowding. FOCP transported him to safety at Charlie's Place. Link is now living with his family and gets to go on hikes every day.

Cheyenne, a gunshot victim and amputee, and **Hanson** who literally had two hours to live, were transferred in from a high kill shelter. Both were quickly adopted after their arrival.

Oakleigh, a 9 month-old female Cattle Dog mix, and **Luna**, a 5 year-old female Lab mix, were found living in deplorable conditions in a seedy part of Houston. They were taken to a kill shelter where they landed on the euthanasia list. Charlie's Place brought them up to safety and treated Luna's skin condition. Both are now living in their forever homes.

Meriel, was on the euthanasia list at a high kill shelter due to an upper respiratory infection. Charlie's Place brought her to safety where she received care and found her forever home.

Angel & Ginger, and **Mamma & Peanut**, both a mother/daughter pair, came to Charlie's Place from Arkansas where they were abandoned. Charlie's Place was able to find a loving home where both mother/daughter pairs were able to stay together.

Kia and **Leon**, two cats diagnosed with feline immunodeficiency virus, received needed medicine to live out their days in comfort.

Several other dogs also received much needed treatment: **Ajax**, kennel cough; **Belinda**, cherry eye surgery; **Georgie**, skin condition; **Jaja** heart murmur medication; **Peacock**, TPLO surgery; and **Ramon**, heartworm treatment.

