

365 DAYS TO CARE... Our 2015 Homeward Bound Calendar is here!



For a suggested donation of just \$10 you can spend the whole year helping our orphaned, homeless, abused and neglected animals with our 2015 Homeward Bound Calendar. Filled with gorgeous photos of our shelter animals and their unique stories of resilience and hope, each month brings a new reason to care. The OMHS Homeward Bound Calendar makes a great hostess or Secret Santa gift...and you'll want one to keep for yourself too! Calendars are available at the shelter and throughout the community...don't delay, get yours today!



OAK PARK PET HOSPITAL PRESENTED WITH THE CHARLIE FUND AWARD

On November 4th, Oakpark Pet Hospital was presented with The Charlie Fund Award for 2013, for outstanding assistance with our seriously ill and traumatized animals at the Oakville & Milton Humane Society.

Anne Smith and Dr. Frances Walker of The Charlie Fund Committee were delighted to honour Dr. Croskery and all the staff for the numerous surgeries performed on cats and dogs during 2013.

"Halo", who suffered a severely broken jaw, was the animal highlighted for the award. The surgery performed by Dr. Croskery was successful in correcting this break, and Halo now lives in a wonderful home of her own, in perfect health!

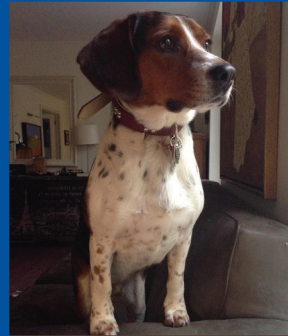


Her owners report that she rules the roost, and they are thrilled to have her as part of their family.

Without the generous financial support of the public and the incredible work performed by the veterinary clinics of our communities, The Charlie Fund would not be able to save more than 100 cats, dogs and small domestic pets every year. We thank Oakpark Pet Hospital for their dedication in 2013, all the veterinary clinics for their work every year, and the kind people who send in financial gifts for this special/emergency medical work.

HENRY...A "TAIL" FULL OF JOY!

Henry is a beautiful beagle boy who is very happily "forever" home for the holidays! At the Oakville & Milton Humane Society our shelter animals are part of our family until they are part of their forever family and we always follow up each adoption to make sure the new pet is fitting in well in their new home. We wanted to share the post adoption questionnaire that we received back from Henry's new family because it's just so heartwarming!



- 1) How is he adjusting to your home? **EXTREMELY well – not a single problem! He is PERFECT!**
- 2) Have you had any specific problems with him? **Only that he is, if this is possible, almost TOO affectionate – when we come home, he cries with joy for several minutes!**
- 3) Is there any further assistance we can provide? **We are good, and looking forward to training school in January!**

You can see from the photo that Henry is very happy in his new home...you can almost hear the joyful cries! Your generous gifts make happy "tails" like this possible all year long...for as little as \$18/month you can be there for every "Henry" that needs our help to find the home where he truly belongs. Become a monthly Friend for Life donor this holiday season and be the change our orphaned and homeless animals need all year long!

PATTY... A CHARLIE FUND CHRISTMAS "TAIL"

When OMHS Officer Leeson got the call about a kitten in the wheel well of a vehicle she wasn't sure what she would find. Tiny Patty had what looked to be a badly broken leg as well as an infected wound on her bottom. Officer Leeson, carefully carried Patty to the veterinary clinic so the veterinarians... and The Charlie Fund could begin the long process of making her well. The Charlie Fund was there, for both of the surgeries Patty needed to repair her badly broken leg and for the antibiotics, treatments and examinations that followed...costly surgeries that for many shelters would not have been an option for a kitten so tiny.



The Charlie Fund is the designated emergency medical fund of the Oakville & Milton Humane Society, providing life saving surgeries and medical care for homeless animals. Your holiday gift to The Charlie Fund is a gift of live saving hope for all of the "Patty's" that need your help so that they may have the "happily ever after" they so richly deserve.

Today Patty is a lively little "minx" of a young cat, free from pain and soon will be ready for a "forever" home...all because someone like you made a gift to The Charlie Fund. We hope you will make a life saving gift today...100% of your generous gift will be used to help orphaned and homeless animals needing emergency medical care

The Retriever

Holiday 2014

A HOLIDAY "TAIL" OF MERCY... AND HER PUPPIES

The weather had turned cold and for this Mom, tied to a chain, just out of reach of her puppies, each day was torture. Her ears, once soft and floppy, had been cut without thought for the pain it would cause... painful, red and bleeding, they ached. Her heart ached for her puppies...just out of reach and so small and thin.

When your Oakville & Milton Humane Society got a tip about this poor family, they sprang into action! OMHS Animal Protective Services Manager and OSPCA Agent Mackasey and OMHS APS Officer and OSPCA Agent Jones visited the address we had been given to investigate the tip and found the dogs were left to stand outside in their own urine and feces without proper shelter and no water. The Mom, who we later named "Mercy", her ears red and raw, was tied by chain to the outside of the puppies enclosure... so close and yet she could not get to her puppies!

The officers brought the whole family back to the Oakville & Milton Humane Society, where the dogs were examined by a local veterinarian. The veterinarian confirmed that the ears had not been professionally cropped and had not healed, causing brave



Mercy great pain. The puppies were very thin, timid and shy... they had never known a kind voice or gentle touch. It would take weeks to build up their bodies and longer to rebuild their spirit.

Your Oakville & Milton Humane Society charged Milton resident Paula Arruda with 3 counts of animal cruelty under the OSPCA Act. We will be the voice of the Mercy and her puppies in court, speaking for them, holding Ms. Arruda responsible for the suffering they have endured.

We are happy to report that Mercy and all of her puppies are doing really well. Mercy and the first few of her puppies are now available for adoption and we hope that they all have "forever" homes for the holidays!

Your generous gifts help to keep our vans on the road, our Officer's at the ready to investigate and where necessary prosecute animal abuse, cruelty and neglect. You helped us to care for Mercy and her puppies for as long as it took for them to be healthy, happy and ready for the "forever" home they so richly deserve.

You are the reason we are able to be there for every orphaned, homeless, abused and neglected animal that needs our help and we are deeply grateful for each gift we receive.



We hope you will make a special holiday gift so that we may be there for every suffering animal that needs our help. The animals... and we thank you.

GIFTS THAT GIVE

This holiday season you can give the gift that really gives...life changing gifts of hope, of health, of a better tomorrow for the orphaned, homeless, abused and neglected animals.

Make a GIFT THAT GIVES as your way of making the holidays...and every day brighter for the animals.

GIFTS THAT GIVE...SHOPPING WITH PURRRRPOSE!



ENRICHMENT TOYS FOR CATS \$25.00

You'll make our homeless kitties purr playing with safe, fun toys!



ENRICHMENT TOYS FOR DOGS \$25.00

Tails will be wagging as we share your gift of fun with our homeless dogs!



ANIMAL RESCUE KIT \$125.00

Your gift will help us rescue a suffering animal with things like cozy blankets, heating pads, a safe cage and transport back to the shelter where we can begin making their lives so much better.



SPECIAL NEEDS CAT CARE \$150.00

Your generous gift will change the world for shelter kitties with special health needs.



VETERINARY EXAM & VACCINES FOR AN ANIMAL \$50.00

You will change the life of a homeless animal with this special gift!



ORTHOPEDIC DOG BED \$75.00

You'll give homeless dogs a special bed to call their own with this great gift!



SPECIAL NEEDS DOG CARE \$150.00

You can change the world for a dog with special needs with this great gift!



SENIOR CAT CARE \$200.00

At the OMHS senior cats are special and we have great success finding them "forever" homes, help us care for these lovely kitties with this special gift.



SPONSOR A HIGH NEEDS KENNEL FOR RESCUED DOGS \$500.00

PER YEAR

Your gift will provide an abused or homeless puppy or dog a warm, safe place to begin recovery during their initial time in the shelter.



CAT FOSTERING KIT \$100.00

You'll send our kitties to their foster homes with everything they need to thrive with this special gift!



DOG FOSTERING KIT \$100.00

You will give a homeless dog everything they need for the fresh start they deserve with this life changing gift!



SENIOR DOG CARE \$200.00

Senior dogs have so much love to give... you'll help us care for them as they wait for a "forever" home with this generous gift.



HELP BUILD A RESCUE VEHICLE \$1000.00

Your very generous gift and those of incredible folks like you will help us purchase the van we so badly need to help the orphaned, homeless, abused and neglected animals of our community.



ORPHANED KITTEN KIT \$250.00

You will save the tiniest of lives with this generous gift, helping us to raise a tiny kitten until they are ready for a "forever" home.



SPONSOR A TEMPORARY SHELTER FOR A CAT \$350.00 PER YEAR

You'll change the world of a homeless cat every day with this generous gift. We'll add a special personalized plaque to your cage making it the purrrfect gift for the cat lover on your list.

GIFTS THAT GIVE

To make a GIFT THAT GIVES and change the world for orphaned, homeless, abused and neglected animals today go to

<http://omhs.ca/how-you-can-help/gifts-that-give/>, or stop by the shelter in person or make your GIFT THAT GIVES by phone at 905-845-1551 ext 33.

You will receive a beautiful card to give the recipient, a tax receipt, and that warm down to your toes feeling that comes from knowing you are making an immediate difference in the lives of animals.