



**Rescuing at Risk Dogs & Cats in Southern California since 1992**

Spring is a time for renewal, growth and expansion. Our plans are underway, and we hope we can count on your generosity to complete our new shelter!



Look at this adorable picture of lovely Emily giving some loving to the very charming Reyna!!!

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Dear Supporters,

As spring has begun, I wanted to take a minute to reflect on a few things related to our rescued cats and dogs. Many of our residents were tossed out like garbage into the merciless heat and cold of the desert. Left to suffer and die-- or fall victim to predators-- but instead were rescued by our dedicated staff and caring citizens. How different the lives of these animals are now— *and all thanks to your support.* No longer panting in triple digit heat or freezing in winter cold, our furry friends relax in comfortable buildings, and have fresh water, nutritious meals and love. **All thanks to you.**

Over the years, thousands and thousands of cats and dogs have passed through our doors. Many were placed in loving homes, and many found a permanent home at CARE. No animal was ever euthanized, unless our veterinarian determined that the condition was hopeless, and an end to suffering was the most humane act.

We love our feral cats and unfriendly dogs as much as we love our cuddly ones. We know that dogs deemed “vicious” are that way only because of human cruelty. Cats left to fend for themselves quickly become mistrustful of humans. These animals will spend their entire lives at CARE in peace, security and kindness.

**The growth and sustainability of CARE is a direct result of contributions from our supporters.** There are no words to adequately express our gratitude to each and every one of you. CARE has been in operation for 26 years now, and with your help we look forward to a bright future for so many needy cats and dogs. You are the ones who put the wags in the tails or the purrs in the throats of more than 300 animals now living the good life at our sanctuary.

**From paper to pavement...** We have cleared all the critical preconstruction hurdles...we are excited to announce that the heavy equipment has rolled in! The excavation for the 2 buildings (48 ft. x 72 ft. ea.)' has been done, and the required 9 feet deep of soil has been removed and re-compacted. The new buildings will be elevated 9 feet above the surrounding land, as a flood control measure. Flash floods in the desert can be devastating and the added cost is worth it to insure that CARE's animals are safe. The next phase is pouring the concrete for the buildings' slabs. **We are in great need of your HELP and GENEROSITY to move forward with the next phase.** The careful and thorough planning took a long time, but with your help we are still anticipating a completion date by the end 2018. Watch for upcoming newsletters and Facebook posts for construction updates as we continue to build our dream. **Please donate--no amount is too small--everything helps. TOGETHER we can make this dream a reality!**

Thank you so very much for your generosity and friendship!



Maria Porter -Sanctuary Manager – Secretary-Treasurer



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## **OUR RESCUED ANIMALS NEED YOUR HELP! PLEASE DONATE TO C.A.R.E.!**

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**There are so many ways to help!**

- ❖ **Donate cash, checks, money orders or stocks.**
- ❖ **Call 1-800-456-5517 to donate a car.**
- ❖ **Leave C.A.R.E. as a beneficiary in your trust, will, or life insurance.**

*Write or e-mail [mail@care4pets.org](mailto:mail@care4pets.org) for info on these as well on internet support opportunities.*

**Here is a list of just a few of our monthly needs:**

- ❖ **1,500 Pounds of Dry Dog Food**
- ❖ **1,500 Pounds of Moist Dog Food**
- ❖ **5,000 Pounds of Cat Litter**
- ❖ **1,500 Pounds of Dry Cat Food**
- ❖ **1,500 Pounds of Moist Cat Food**
- ❖ **1,000 Pounds of Disinfectant**



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*Make your tax deductible donations at [www.care4pets.org](http://www.care4pets.org).*

*We can't do this without you!!!!*

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Please give today so we can keep the cats and dogs in our sanctuary safe and well cared for, and to save more cats and dogs at risk; their survival depends on us! **Our future, their future, depends on your generosity and kindness! The animals in this issue and many more at the C.A.R.E. sanctuary are looking for homes of their own!**



This cutie is Dylan and he is ready for his forever home!!!



The amazing Iris, is waiting for her forever home!!



Dulce the little angel!



Little Dulce's new cart!

### **11 YEAR OLD PARALYZED CHIHUAHUA WAS SURRENDERED TO ANIMAL CONTROL!**

Eleven-year-old senior was surrendered to animal control when her owner could no longer care for her. We believe Dulce was a beloved pet for many years, but sometimes circumstances force people into making the dreadful decision to give up their pet. Dulce is suffering from paralyzed back legs and incontinence. The shelter is known for going to great lengths to save surrendered pets, but in the case of little Dulce, the shelter's plan was to euthanize Dulce the same day she was brought in because of her severe health problems.

**Now and then, miracles happen!** A caring shelter worker got in touch with CARE to see if we could help this loving and badly damaged little dog. Right away we responded, and saved the dog from certain death. And now we need your help to restore Dulce to good health and mobility. CARE got her a cart, and little by little she is getting used to it, although at first it scared her. She needs veterinary treatment including diagnostic services to find the cause of her paralysis. Can you help this little angel live the best life possible? This little Chihuahua never gave up hope and now she has a second chance to live.

**We CANNOT do it without YOU!! Please donate so we can help others like little Dulce.**

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The pretty Sapharie is looking for a forever loving home!! She is thanking you for helping her be safe.

Supported entirely by donations from individuals and foundations, C.A.R.E. maintains a no-kill, cage-free “Home Sweet Home” for 300 plus homeless cats & dogs in a rural area north of Los Angeles. The C.A.R.E. sanctuary is licensed by the County, proudly earning “A” ratings at every inspection! We are committed to saving the lives of homeless dogs and cats by rescuing at-risk animals, placing adoptable pets in homes of their own, and caring for those awaiting adoption (even those considered “unadoptable”), for the rest of their lives if need be. The C.A.R.E. sanctuary demonstrates that is possible to provide a comfortable and loving home for groups of “unwanted” or “surplus” animals who otherwise would have, at best, an uncertain future. By supporting C.A.R.E., you are not only helping many wonderful animals, you are also standing up for the idea that animals do matter, and that they deserve loving care!



Site is ready for the 2 new buildings.

Money cannot buy some things. Those are the things that help sustain us. Here at CARE we are fortunate to have those things in abundance: **dedication, love for animals, energy, vision, and experience.** We are finding ourselves at a critical crossroad. **We are ready to move forward, but we need support for the things that money CAN buy: construction materials and labor to complete our new buildings.**

All we need the is the financial backing that will enable us to proceed in our common goal of protecting the innocent animals who have no other voice in their fate.

**C.A.R.E. IS GOING GREEN!! SEND US YOUR EMAIL ADDRESSES!** 🌱

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