



MONTY

At nine years old, Monty was found abandoned in the playground of a Central Florida School. The local shelter spent weeks searching unsuccessfully for a rescue that would be willing to take the incredibly sweet, incredibly ill, English Bulldog. Despite his amazing personality, Monty's medical condition was too grave for any rescue to take on - until the staff of LCHS learned about him.

When Monty arrived in Tallahassee, it was clear that his pictures and description hadn't done justice to either his sweet goofiness or the severity of his physical condition. Years of neglect had led to a life-threatening MRSA infection in his skin. The infection was so bad that the stench hit you from yards away. The cartilage inside both ears had swollen and calcified from constant infection, rendering Monty nearly deaf and in constant pain. The skin infection around his tail went so deep that it exposed bone.

And yet, Monty's sunny spirit was undimmed by the excruciating pain and discomfort he suffered. He greeted the LCHS staff with a big, sloppy grin and offered his swollen paw for an enthusiastic shake.

After several thousands of dollars in medical care and surgeries to reverse the effects of many years of neglect, Monty is now completely healthy and just as goofy as the first day we met him. The incredible foster family who nursed him through nine months of recovery made him a permanent part of their family not long ago.

Without the generous donations of people like you, and the open hearts and homes of our remarkable foster families, Monty would have been left abandoned and suffering, with no hope for a future. LCHS is often the only recourse for critical cases like Monty's, as well as Sylvie's, whose story is below.

SYLVIE

Sylvie was days away from euthanasia at a nearby rural shelter when LCHS was asked to step in and save her life.

Because of your continued support and

the advocacy of one shelter volunteer, we were able to do just that.

Sylvie arrived at LCHS with a thunderous purr and a tiny, malformed left foreleg. A visit to the vet revealed that her left eye and left jaw as well as her left foreleg were all underdeveloped. Her eye and jaw weren't likely to cause her much trouble, but her little leg was a different story. Her kitten-sized paw hung limp and useless from her half-developed wrist, and as she moved she was constantly putting her weight directly on the bone of her wrist.

To prevent future health issues and give Sylvie her best chance at being adopted, it was determined that her malformed leg must be amputated. She came through her surgery with flying colors, but quickly developed a life-threateningly severe upper respiratory infection. It took several weeks of daily rotations between the vet office's ICU and LCHS staff home, but eventually Sylvie turned a corner and began to bounce back from everything she had been through. Now, like hundreds of other homeless pets we've cared for this year, she only needs to find the right family to make her a sweet, purring, belly-rub-demanding part of their lives.



DONATE TODAY
TO SAVE LIVES

Your generous gift makes all the difference for animals in need. Please use the enclosed form to send in your donation of \$25, \$50, \$75 or more today to save lives.



MEET OUR NEW EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR, LISA GLUNT

I have had the honor of meeting so many of the faces of LCHS over the last three years of working with this incredible organization. There are many of you whom I still hope to meet in the future! Prior to stepping into the role of Interim Executive Director, the majority of my experience has been very hands-on with animals, so I am excited about the new opportunities ahead.

From the dedicated staff and volunteers whose time is spent rescuing and caring for them, to the Board of Directors and donors who see to it that their needs are met, the animals of LCHS have an incredible support system. They enter our program knowing that they are finally safe. From the gentle press of their face against an arm, to a soft and loving gaze, they show their gratitude. It is these moments that keep our eyes locked on one simple goal - to make LCHS stronger so that we can save MORE lives together! I have faith in this organization and in the community that we serve. Thank you for your continued support!

Coming this holiday season!

A new family friendly fundraiser for local homeless pets - the LCHS Pack Walk!

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2015 ACCOMPLISHMENTS

- In 2015, we have saved 260 cats and 384 dogs - a total of 110 more lives saved this year than last year at this time!
- We adopted out over 500 animals to loving forever homes.
- We launched Pawsitive Readers, a reading program matching school age children with homeless cats in need of socialization. We have over 50 active readers today!
- We participated in a summer camp bringing together kids and homeless puppies for the sake of teaching children the importance of proper pet ownership, while also providing puppies with training designed to increase their odds of successful adoption.
- We provided pet food to members of our community who are at risk of losing their beloved pets due to financial hardship.
- We held humane education classes in local schools, churches, and the Leon County Public Library in the hopes of teaching our future generations the importance of treating animals with compassion.
- We stepped up to the plate for dozens of animals that have been denied by other rescue groups and shelters.



2016 PAW PRINTS CALENDAR

Order your 2016 Paw Prints Calendars today at www.LCHS.info. Calendars are only \$10 (+shipping). Calendars will be ready for delivery soon and make great holiday gifts!

