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Sponsor a Dog ... Have a Friend for Life!

Animal Matters has an urgent bulletin for all our supporters

In previous issues of "Animals Today," we've told you about our Animal Rescue Division. Currently, we have 11 dogs in our care. What makes our rescue efforts truly unique is that we've saved dogs who need extremely understanding homes.

We've rescued senior dogs, highly energetic dogs, dogs with special medical needs, and dogs who have challenging temperaments. No matter what their background, they deserve a good home where they'll be understood and loved. We urgently need:

- **Permanent homes**
- **Foster homes**
- **Financial support**

When we started taking these dogs we had no idea that we would be spending over \$5,000 monthly to board and care for the dogs. We cannot afford to continue without the help of people like you.

Rescued From Death Row

All of our dogs were rescued from death row at a Florida shelter. The shelter did its best to keep the dogs as long as they could but with the amount of dogs coming into the facility and the low adoption rate, they had to either kill the dog or relocate them to us. If rescue groups like us deny these wonderful animals, euthanasia is the only way out.

The High Price

When we started taking the dogs, we had no idea that we would be spending over **\$5,000** monthly to board and care for them.

We've come to the point where our bank account has dried up and we're running out of ideas on how to get these dogs good homes.

We cannot afford to continue without the financial help of people like you. So, we designed a program where you can sponsor the dog of your choice. It's extremely simple and the outcome is rewarding. All you have to do is pick a dog that you wish to help. Then decide how many days you want to sponsor this dog. The cost is \$12 a day. The money covers boarding, food and preventative care.

Give a Little, Get a Lot

If you would like to help us with our furry friends, then pick a dog and get started. Keep in mind that all donations are tax-deductible.

Just use the enclosed form and envelope to send what you can to:

**Sponsor a Homeless
Pet Program
c/o Animal Matters
P.O. Box 880353
Boca Raton, FL 33488-0353**

Fostering Is a Great Way to Help a Homeless Pet!

Attention South Florida residents! Animal Matters is seeking foster parents for our dogs.

To our organization, foster homes are invaluable — even better than a donation of any amount. Fostering gives the dog a chance to get used to living in a loving home.

A foster parent gives us all of the necessary information we need in order to get the dog adopted into a good home. For instance, you'll provide answers to the following critical questions:

*Is the dog housebroken?
Good with cats? Good with
kids? Does the dog walk
nicely on the leash?*

Our dogs have a much better chance of being adopted after they have been fostered.

Calling All Homes ...

We are looking for good temporary homes until our dogs find permanent ones. We will provide food and heartworm/flea medications.

It's fun and easy! All you have to do is take the dog and care for him or her until we can find a permanent home.

If you are interested, contact Animal Matters at:

(561) 392-7191

Or, you can email us at:

**info@
AnimalMattersOnline.org**