# TAILS OF FOOTHILLS





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#### **Our Services**

Adoption
Lost & Found
Better Together
Pet Relinquishment
End-of-Life Care
Low-Cost Vaccine Clinics
Microchipping
Pet Licensing



As we start a new year, we take this time (as many of you do!) to reflect on last year and plan for 2024. Last year, we faced many challenges. We served a record number of animals and patrons in 2023, and adopted out a record number of our four-legged friends to new families.

Our devoted volunteers and foster families stepped up to enrich the lives of our animals, and dedicated staff worked tirelessly to make life better for pets and people so we could stay true to our vision to continuously evolve. Keep an eye out for our annual impact report to see more of our historical story, and how we positively impacted so many lives in 2023.

We are able to provide these resources and much more to animals and people, thanks to you—our valued and dedicated supporter.

With your help, we are able to look forward to 2024. Thank you for joining us—your continued support remains vital to our ongoing work. We are hopeful, knowing that together, we will find a way to effectively meet whatever needs we are asked to fulfill in our community. We are prepared to embrace this challenge, and with your support, we will continue making lives better for pets and people.

Wishing you a year of abundance, prosperity, health, and happiness,

Connie Howard

## Connie Howard Executive Director Foothills Animal Shelter





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# Love letters from adopters



"We adopted Nate Mackitten last year. Life is better with him. We love him very much. He is a very smart kid and has such a beautiful heart. He loves watching squirrels and birds, and he loves playing hide and seek with us. Thank you for everything!"





"We adopted Otis Randal Williamson on September 2nd, 2023, and he's such a happy, loving, lengthy boy! He loves his Chick-fil-A cow, eating treats, screaming as loud as he can for wet food and being a cuddle monster. We love him and we're happy to have him with us!"

Thanks to your support, over 6,000 pets find new beginnings like these through our adoption program each year!

**THANK YOU!** 





"I adopted my little buddy in 2011. He's probably around 14 or 15 years old now. He was a stray, and had been given the name Abner by Foothills. I thought for sure I'd end up renaming him, but after the weekend, any other name wouldn't have been right. He is

totally an Abner. He has been the best (and craziest) companion."

#### **Changing lives**

You may remember Leia and her 10 puppies as the raucous family that arrived at Foothills this past December. They were among the 10,000 animals who entered our doors in 2023 in need of safe shelter, compassion, and unconditional love.

Thanks to the generosity of our community, Leia and her family received essential veterinary care and were quickly placed in our Foster Program to grow stronger. Today, Leia and her puppies have each been adopted, and are thriving in their own loving homes!

Your gift changes lives. Visit <u>foothillsanimalshelter.org/</u>donate to donate!



# Save the date: Adoptions sponsored by FirstBank!



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March 9, 2024 10 am - 5 pm Foothills Animal Shelter

Are you looking for the perfect moment to welcome a new pet into your family? You're in luck! Thanks to our generous friends at FirstBank, animal adoption fees\* are just \$10 on March 9!

\*Adoption special applies to pets aged 6 months and older.

## Our new Cat Adoption Center is open to the public!

Thanks to support from our community and our partners at Petco Love, our newly renovated Cat Adoption Center is open to the public!

To help us make this new space absolutely purrfect, visit <u>foothillsanimalshelter.org/catadoptioncenter</u>.

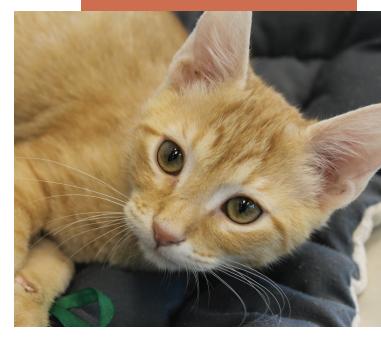


## **Updates to**our Vaccine Clinic

Our weekly low-cost Vaccine Clinic is in full swing for 2024!

Vaccine Clinics are now on Thursdays from 3 to 4:30 pm. All vaccinations are \$25, microchips are \$35, and dog licenses are \$20.

We are grateful to offer these critical services to our community in 2024!





### "I need my cat."

Keeping families together through crisis

By Kyra Munz, Better Together Program Manager

"I need my cat. I have tried every medication I can to treat my depression, but nothing helps me quite like he does." This patron almost needed to separate from his cat due to a crisis—but the Better Together Program at Foothills was here to help.

Our Better Together Program strives to keep families intact during hardship. To meet the spectrum of needs in our community, we provide free pet food, supplies, and temporary animal housing for families who are going through emergency crises.

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We recognize that to keep animals with their families, we must also work to address human needs. Managed by a social worker, our Better Together Program has partnered with a number of human welfare organizations in our community to further serve patrons with critical needs.

In 2023, almost 700 pets were reunited with their families after a short-term stay at our Shelter—a crucial alternative to relinquishment due to a crisis event—and over 1,200 additional pets were supported with free food, supplies, spay/neuter services, and other key resources, barrier-free. We are grateful for this Program's unique ability to give back to our community, and keep families together through difficult times.





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