24 Chickens Rescued from Vista Home Now Available for Adoption

Chickens found by first responders when owner needed medical assistance

ESCONDIDO — 24 chickens who were rescued from poor living conditions in a Vista home are now healthy and ready to be adopted into new families at San Diego Humane Society’s Escondido Campus.

The chickens were rescued by San Diego Humane Society’s Humane Law Enforcement on July 12, 2023, after they received a call for assistance from first responders saying the owner needed to be hospitalized. Humane Officers assessed the living conditions and, given the heat and poor sanitation, decided to immediately impound the birds, bringing them to the organization’s Oceanside Campus for triage and care.

Once cleaned, properly fed and hydrated, the chickens were moved to San Diego Humane Society’s Escondido Campus, where chickens and other livestock animals are available for adoption. Some of the chickens have been named after famous singers, such as Cher, Britney and Shakira, as well as movie characters like Thelma and Louise.

Adoption fees for chickens, hens and roosters are $30. Before adopting a chicken, it is important to check your local city municipal code for compliance.

San Diego Humane Society is open for walk-in adoptions at its campuses in El Cajon, Escondido, Oceanside and San Diego Tuesday – Sunday, from 10 a.m. – 5 p.m. Visit sdhumane.org/adopt to view animals available for adoption.

Photos and video of the chickens rescue and care for media use can be downloaded here: https://spaces.hightail.com/space/rCnH0DutPQ

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