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Fees Waived For Adult Dogs Thanks to Generous Donation
$10,000 Gift covers adoption fees for adult dogs (7 months and older) Dec. 13-31

SAN DIEGO — Thanks to a generous $10,000 donation from Randy Spicer, a local animal lover, San Diego Humane Society can waive adoption fees for adult dogs (7 months and older) for the rest of the year. The shelter is currently at capacity for its dog population, after an unprecedented year with many incoming stray animals who have not been reclaimed by their owners.

Out of nearly 700 animals available for adoption at San Diego Humane Society, 260 are adult dogs. "This donation to support adoptions could not have come at a better time," said Dr. Gary Weitzman, president and CEO of San Diego Humane Society. "By waiving fees, we are hoping to get these dogs into new homes for the holidays."

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

When you adopt from San Diego Humane Society:
- You help create space in the shelter for other animals in need.
- You get an animal who has been assessed and cared for.
- Your pet has been spayed/neutered and vaccinated.
- San Diego Humane Society offers an adoption guarantee, training advice and educational information for the life of the animal.

Members of the community who are unable to adopt a pet can still make a difference and help San Diego Humane Society create space in their shelters by:

- **Fostering a pet.** By becoming a foster volunteer, you give an animal a temporary break from the shelter and create space for other animals with nowhere else to turn. Sign up at **sdhumane.org/foster.**
- **Using rehoming resources.** If a person needs to give up their pet, San Diego Humane Society offers rehoming tools that allow them to find their animal's new family themselves — skipping a trip to the shelter. **Visit sdhumane.org/rehome.**
- **Reuniting stray animals directly with their owners.** By searching for the lost pet's family in their own neighborhood and on social media. Visit **sdhumane.org/found** for tools and resources to help a lost pet find their owner.
- **Planning ahead.** Due to limited space, **an appointment may be necessary to relinquish your pet.** If you know you will need to give up your pet due to a move or other planned situation, make arrangements with San Diego Humane Society as early as possible to ensure space remains available for animals in urgent need.

B-roll/photos of adoptable dogs at SDHS for media use can be downloaded here:
https://spaces.hightail.com/space/ZvLbvSBZpg

Suggested Tweet: Thanks to a generous donation by local animal lover Randy Spicer, @sdhumane is waiving adoption fees for adult dogs (7 months and older) for the rest of the year! Visit sdhumane.org/adopt to see the wide variety of dogs waiting for new homes!

About San Diego Humane Society
San Diego Humane Society's scope of social responsibility goes beyond adopting animals. We offer programs that strengthen the human-animal bond, prevent cruelty and neglect, provide medical care, educate the community and serve as a safety net for all pet families. Serving San Diego County since 1880, San Diego Humane Society has campuses in El Cajon, Escondido, Oceanside, Ramona and San Diego. For more information, please visit sdhumane.org. Follow the SDHS Media Relations department on Twitter @sdhumane.

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