



DOUGLAS ANIMAL WELFARE GROUP

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Dear friend of Douglas Animal Welfare Group,

It's hard to believe that it is already November! DAWG has had another very busy year with all of our programs and community services. There continues to be a lot of need in Douglas County for animal care: medical, food, spays & neuters, cat/kitten fostering, trapping, spaying or neutering feral cats, etc.

Last year, so many of you generous supporters helped us with donations for Shelter animals' medical expenses. With your donations we were able to help many needy shelter animals.

This year, we are asking for donations to our **Community Assistance Program** which helps pay for emergency veterinary bills or other urgent needs when an animal's owner cannot afford to do so. (The animal owners we help must meet income criteria to be eligible.)

Imagine how helpless you would feel to have your precious buddy at the vet with a broken leg that must be set – and not having the money to help them. That is when DAWG is able to step in – *with your help* - and assist families in getting the medical care their pet needs.

Last year, DAWG's Community Assistance Program provided \$47,000 to help Douglas County animals, and the need is ever-increasing. With your generous donations, we can continue to help our neighbors who are barely getting by when a pet calamity befalls them.

Here are just a few stories of how Community Assistance made a difference this year:

A woman had turned her life around and was finally able to move from her car into an apartment. She was able to afford the rent but not the large deposit required for her two dogs. DAWG was able to assist with the pet deposit and now the woman, previously down on her luck, has a safe place to live with her best friends and is eternally grateful to the DAWG community for their help.

A beautiful young adult calico was discovered in a ditch by two DAWG members, traumatized and suffering from what appeared to be a broken leg, possibly from being hit by a car. She was not microchipped, and no one reported her missing but, thankfully, a friend fell for her and decided to give her a home. The veterinarian determined that because of the severity of the break, the leg needed to be amputated. Within just two weeks after surgery, the kitty was getting around splendidly as a "tripod" cat and was settling in nicely with her new "mom." She had transformed from a frightened, injured

kitty struggling to survive, to a loving furrever companion.

A sweet Chihuahua had been suffering from severe gastrointestinal problems for weeks and her health was declining with each day. The owner was afraid she was dying. Initial medical treatments were unsuccessful and surgery was needed to correct the problem. The owner is very grateful to the DAWG community for their help and hopes to have many more years with her beloved pet.

If you are able to send a donation this holiday season, it will help us assist more needy community animals. We are so grateful to all our wonderful DAWG supporters. Thousands of animals have been helped because of your generosity.

May this holiday season bring you and your family peace, comfort and joy. May 2025 be a wonderful year for you and all of the needy and homeless animals coming our way!

With gratitude,

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