

Become a Foster Parent!

Because all SDRD dogs live in foster homes, we do not have the overhead of a building and the majority of our funds go directly to caring for the dogs. The more foster homes we have, the more lives can be saved.

Many people tell us they cannot be a foster parent because they love dogs too much and would want to keep them all. When in fact, there's no better feeling than knowing your foster dog is in a wonderful home, and you can save another life.

SDRD provides all medical care, food, treats and toys. We ask that our foster parents provide transportation to a couple weekly adoption events per month. The foster can either stay at the adoption booth with their dog or a volunteer will be provided.

For more information on becoming a foster parent, please contact:

Peggy Moore:
pmoore_safetyfirst@yahoo.com



Super foster mom Tracy Paige delivers one of her foster puppy's to her new home.

For adoption information contact:
Tracy Paige: charminbluepaige@yahoo.com

How can you help?

Do you have a Dillons Plus Card?

- SDRD will get credit for every purchase you make using your registered Plus card.
- Please use our NPO # **53281** when you enroll at dillons.com.
- Don't have a card? They are free. Just pick one up next time you're at Dillons.

Do you shop online?

- SDRD has a Wish List set up at Amazonsmiles.com.
- Shop from the comfort of your home and have the items delivered straight to SDRD.
- Download the iGive button from iGive.com.
- Thousands of merchants want to "give back" to organizations making a difference in their communities.
- Be sure and choose SDRD as your charity at Amazonsmiles.com and iGive.com.

Volunteering is fun!

SDRD has endless volunteer opportunities. Whether you have 5 minutes, or 5 hours a month, there's something you can do to help. We want you to participate in the programs you enjoy and fit your schedule.

- Sharing information about SDRD
- Networking through social media
- Volunteer at adoption booths
- Volunteer at fundraisers
- Become a foster parent
- Visit seniors at nursing homes
- Grant writer/research assistant
- Participate on committees
- Booth set up assistance
- Sponsorship/Ad campaign program
- Transport dogs and/or dog food

Every minute of volunteer time is sincerely appreciated! Contact Misty for more information about volunteering and to sign up. crazybaby@yahoo.com



Athena was born with luxated elbows on both front legs, which caused her to walk on her elbows. Not wanting to spend the money on surgery, her owner was going to shoot her. Through a miracle, she found her way to Saving Death Row Dogs. She received the necessary surgery and is now in her forever home, running, playing and loving life, just as she deserves.

Wish List!

- Cash donations
- Large plastic totes with lids
- Puppy food
- Puppy formula
- Gift cards for dog supplies/any merchant
- Dog crates especially XL
- Towels
- Paper towels
- Small or baby blankets
- Grooming supplies
- Leashes
- Collars
- Dog toys
- Dog chews or Nyla Bones/all sizes
- Postage
- New items for raffles
- Gift certificates for raffles

Items can be dropped off 7 days a week during business hours at:

PetCo, 1930 SW Wanamaker Rd, Topeka
Kansas Rental, 5966 SW 29th, Topeka
Or call for pickup: 785-213-1705/785-215-7751



Please help us make OUR city a no-kill community.



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Hugo was rescued from an area shelter due to be put to sleep the next day. He was the inspiration for the name Saving Death Row Dogs. Over half of the animal control calls in our community are regarding pit bulls or pit mixes. Pit bulls make up a large percentage of dogs in shelters; few make it out alive.

Saving Death Row Dogs, Inc.

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Saving Death Row Dogs History:

Like most places, Topeka has always had a major problem with pet overpopulation in spite of the efforts of wonderful area shelters and rescue groups. For many years, as many as several hundred adoptable animals have been “put to sleep” in one month for lack of a home. No one wants to do this but so many dogs are turned into shelters daily, the ones that are not returned to their owners or adopted-are killed to make room for tomorrow’s animals.

SDRD primarily takes in dogs that have no other option. We take in dogs from various shelters, including rural veterinary clinics that serve as animal control, cruelty cases and dogs given up by their owners for various reasons.

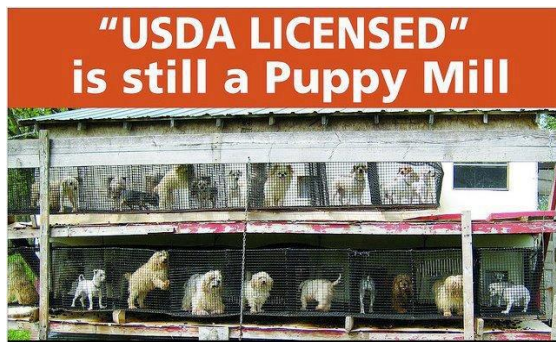
All SDRD dogs are up-to-date on shots, spayed/neutered and microchipped before adoption.

They live in one of our wonderful foster homes until we find their forever home. SDRD showcases their adoptable dogs on their website, Facebook, Petfinder, word of mouth and weekly adoption booths.

Rescue people quietly sacrifice money, home, and personal life, because they are dedicated to saving as many animals as possible. Unfortunately, in spite of these efforts, the killing continues. We believe networking and education is the key. We are certain there are enough people in our community who care enough to help us stop this cycle.

Mission Statement:

SDRD is a state licensed group foster home. It is our mission to network with other local rescues and shelters to save dogs that are at risk of being euthanized due to lack of space or illness. We educate the public of the inhumane condition of puppy mills, the connection between puppy mills and pet stores, and the importance of spaying and neutering. It is our mission to create a no-kill community.



What is a puppy mill?

Aside from the physical torture they endure daily, they will never know what it is to play, be held or loved.

- Buying anything at a pet store that sells puppies support a cruel industry that breeds animals for maximum profit while millions of wonderful dogs and cats die at shelters.
- If everyone adopted an animal this year, instead of buying one, the killing would virtually stop.
- It’s virtually impossible to shut down a puppy mill as horrendous conditions are legal. The only way to stop the cycle is to stop buying from pet stores.



- Never, ever buy a puppy from a pet store, please always choose adoption.
- Boycott stores that sell puppies and tell the storeowner why you won’t shop there.

Why you shouldn’t buy that puppy in the window!

The horrific secret that pet stores don’t want you to know... is that pet store puppies are almost always purchased from puppy mills and sometimes through brokers, where their parents spend their entire lives housed in small, cramped cages, on wire floors, breeding litter after litter until they are used up-at which point most will be killed or sold to a research laboratory.

These brokers get their animals from puppy mills-commercial breeding establishment that mass-produce dogs for resale. Good breeders never, never, never sell puppies to pet shops. Buying puppies from pet stores sentences the parents of that puppy to a lifetime of misery in a puppy mill as well as taking a home from a shelter animal on death row.

It just doesn’t make sense! Every year, animal shelters destroy millions of dogs-including purebreds and puppies-and cats while the puppy mills keep churning them out to sell at pet stores. As the public is becoming more educated, many pet stores are being pressured to stop selling animals and only offer local rescue animals up for adoption. Many jurisdictions have even passed laws to ban the sale of dogs/cats in pet stores.

They can’t have it both ways!

A new trend is pet stores claiming to team up with local rescues by having fundraisers and donating the money to rescue or offering a few token rescue dogs in their store.



Spaying is cheap. Saving Lives is priceless.

Dozens of cities and counties all over the country are aggressively addressing the animal overpopulation crisis, requiring everyone who chooses not to spay or neuter to pay a hefty breeder’s fee. Areas with mandatory spay/neuter laws have reported a significant reduction in the number of animals taken to their facilities and subsequently euthanized. HSUS reports that “in those towns and cities that have implemented such programs, we’ve already seen the number of companion animals who had to be euthanized decline by 30-60 percent.”

Myths about spay/neuter:

Myth: It’s better to have one litter before spaying a female pet.

Fact: Evidence shows that females spayed before their first heat are typically healthier. Many vets now sterilize dogs/cats as young as 8 weeks old.

Myth: My pet will get fat and lazy.

Fact: Most pets get fat and lazy because their owners feed them too much and don’t give them enough exercise.

Myth: It’s expensive to have my pet spayed/neutered.

Fact: Many low cost options exist for spay/neuter services.

Myth: I’ll find good homes for all the puppies and kittens.

Fact: A good home is not anyone that will take the animal off your hands. He/she may not be properly vetted/sterilized and could wind up in a shelter on death row.

There are 45 cats and dogs for every person born. Only one out of every 10 dogs born ever get a home. Only one out of every 12 cats born ever find a home.

ADOPT, DON’T SHOP!