

# Will you help save a life?



Bitsy is a beagle mix—she found a home with another Second Chance puppy!

Ruby & siblings - Lulu & Shelby - were rescued off a busy street at 3 weeks old.



Biggsby, a pure Pomeranian was rescued from a kill shelter



Second Chance  
Pet Adoption

Second Chance Pet Adoption was founded in December 1997 by a small group of dedicated volunteers with a true love of animals and the determination to help find permanent, loving homes for some of Kansas City's "unwanted" pets.

Second Chance Pet Adoption is an all volunteer non-profit organization dedicated to helping homeless and displaced dogs and cats find loving homes. We strive to educate the public about the pet over population problem in our area and across the nation and stress the importance of spaying and neutering companion animals.

Each year 6-8 million cats and dogs enter shelters. Each year 3-4 million cats and dogs are euthanized—that's 56% of the dogs and 71% of the cats.

Our adoptable cats, kittens, dogs and puppies come to us mainly from area kill shelters and humane societies.

Some of the puppies and dogs come from puppy mills that have been shut down or are "overstocked" or "reducing inventory".

Our volunteers foster the dogs and puppies in their homes, socializing and training them just as they would a new member of their family.

By having the animals in our homes, we get to know the personality of each of them and are better able to match them to the forever home suited to them.

Check out our website! [www.2ndchancepets.net](http://www.2ndchancepets.net)

All of our animals are spayed or neutered before they are adopted. We keep them current on shots as long as we have them. All dogs or puppies over 4 months of age are started on heartworm prevention. We treat all new animals with flea prevention. The cats & kittens are tested for FIV and Feline Leukemia.

Our adoption process begins with an application. We do vet checks on all current and recent animals and we do fence checks.

Our adoption fees for cats and kittens are \$90. For the dogs and puppies our adoption fee begins at \$125.



Gizmo & his siblings, Gidget & Gordy, were rescued from a horrible situation. They are Pomeranian/Chihuahua mixes. They have all found warm, loving homes.

## Adoption Events

We have two locations for Adopt-a-Pet events:

Cats and Kittens are shown all week at the PetsMart in Merriam Kansas—I-35 and Johnson drive. Small, medium and large breed puppies and dogs come in on Saturdays 11-4 pm.

Most of our smaller dogs are shown at the PetsMart at Tiffany Springs, in Kansas City, MO. The address is 8970 NW Skyview Ave—it is off of 152 Hwy and Ambassador Drive. They are there 11-2 pm on Saturdays.

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# Happy Tails



**Cassidy came to us from a high rate kill shelter.** A volunteer saw her there, she was skin & bones from not eating due to pneumonia and the pain of having hip surgery because she'd fallen out of a pickup truck. But she was still wagging her tail. We took her to the vet who put her on mega-doses of antibiotics—another volunteer fostered her—nursed her slowly back to health. Her pneumonia is gone, her hip has been fixed correctly and today, Cassidy is a happy, sassy, fun loving dog.



**Blondie's story is all too familiar...**she ended up at the shelter not only because her owner had to go into a nursing home, but she also had a broken leg that nobody in the family wanted to pay to have fixed. They took her to be euthanized. The shelter people saw what a sweet dog she was and called Second Chance. We were able to get her to a vet and have her leg fixed. She was adopted within a couple of weeks!



**Becca is a 6 year old Calico.** She was displaced due to a divorce. Even though she is classified as a "senior" cat, she has 10 or more years to enrich your life. She loves head and ear rubs, laying on your lap and sleeping near you at night. Her ideal home will be low energy household. Becca has found a home!



**Rosie (on the left) was so cute and small**—everybody wanted to adopt her, but Second Chance was looking for just the right home for this Australian Heeler mix, rescued from a high rate kill shelter. They knew she was going to be a handful! Then her foster mom realized that something just wasn't right, Rosie wasn't listening just to be difficult, she was deaf!



That didn't matter to the family who adopted her—they had adopted another Heeler mix, Bandit, from Second Chance and had begun training and competing in Disc Dog challenges. Now Squirt (f.k.a. Rosie) and Bandit have traveled the world (Columbia, South America, as part of the Purina Incredible Dog Challenge) with their high-flying antics and always smiling faces!



**Georgia was a 5 year old Shepard mix** who was going to be euthanized by her owners because they were getting barking complaints. She had been an outside dog her entire life. But in foster care, as an inside dog, she blossomed! Even though Georgia was 5 years old, she was adopted and has her new person well trained!



**Samantha, a purebred Shetland Sheepdog,** was found in a kill shelter. Since she was a young adult, she was tested for Heartworms. She tested positive. The treatment for Heartworms is dangerous, the preventative is easy—a tablet once a month and your dog is guarded against Heartworms and a variety of other types of worms.

Fortunately, Samantha survived her treatment and was adopted.



**Missy was a very affectionate stray** that kept getting fatter and fatter. She went home with a volunteer to have her kittens...just 3 days later! The kittens are now over a year old and have found their forever homes. Missy was still looking for hers...she did not like being in a cage at PetSmart, so she was staying with the volunteer. Missy has now found her forever home!



**Wiley & Cosmo are brothers** who came from a “backyard” breeder who was “reducing” inventory. Their whole life had been spent in a wire cage. They were put into foster homes with other dogs to teach them how great life can be. Cosmo was the more out going boy and has found his forever home. Wiley has also found his perfect forever home!

These dogs would have been sent to a pound and probably euthanized. They really got a Second Chance at life.



## **Donations to Second Chance help to pay for:**

**Spaying and Neutering** - All of the pets adopted from Second Chance are spayed or neutered before they are placed.

**Vaccinations** – All pets are kept current on vaccinations.

**Preventatives** – All dogs and puppies over 4 months of age are put on Heartworm preventatives. Each pet is treated with Flea/Tick Protection. All pets are dewormed regularly.

**Vet Bills** - Dogs, Puppies, Cats & Kittens that come from shelters, puppy mills, and unwanted litters often have diseases that come from neglect – fleas, mites, malnutrition and worms. Many of these animals have more serious problems—kennel cough, upper respiratory infections, broken legs, heartworm positive.

**Food** – Second Chance normally feeds Science Diet, but with small kittens and older pets, we sometimes have special dietary needs.

**Miscellaneous** - The cages at PetSmart are outfitted with pet beds, litter boxes, bowls and toys for the cats and kittens comfort and exercise. The pens and kennels we use at Adoption Events to hold puppies.



These 6 poor puppies were dumped during an ice storm in somebody's front yard, the people took them in and bottle fed them. Second Chance was contacted, but due to such a horrible start, the puppies all had skin infections. We started them on antibiotics as prescribed by our vet, began a cleaning regime on their sores, and put them on a highly nutritious puppy food. We couldn't believe the difference a few days made! They are on the way to being happy, healthy, well socialized puppies!

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Second Chance Pet Adoption can't continue to rescue, care for and find homes for loving and deserving companion animals without your help. These animals enrich the lives of everyone they meet. Please help in giving them a *Second Chance*.

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