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Best Friends and a Forever Home

Are you ready to make a difference for the pets at SoHumane in 2019? Because of your generous support, over 1,500 dogs and cats found their forever homes last year.

♥ Friendship can mend a broken heart ♥

Dora first came to SoHumane with her Chihuahua friend Sandy on the Saving Train. They were very frightened when they arrived, and our team immediately noticed that the dogs were good friends. The decision was made to try to keep them together. Dora and Sandy had already been through too much, and it was obvious they found great comfort in the friendship they shared.

Everyone at SoHumane was thrilled when a family was willing to open their home to both of the dogs. Unfortunately, eleven months later Dora was returned to SoHumane without Sandy. Dora was devastated, confused and heartbroken. We did our best to comfort her and make her feel at home. She was adopted only days later but then returned again. The adopters thought she had separation anxiety, and we certainly understood why.



A couple of weeks later a wonderful couple came to meet Dora. To our delight they were looking for a friend for their dog, a Chihuahua named Puka! The meeting was a success, and Dora was adopted by this kind hearted couple and her new friend Puka. Now named Maggie, her family said, "We are very glad she is part of our family, she is a delight! Maggie was timid at first but now she and Puka are best friends." **Thank you for helping Maggie mend her heart and feel the love of friendship once again.** ♥

Tiny kittens, abandoned at birth or left at shelters, often have very little hope of growing strong and being adopted. Deuce and his three littermates were rescued and brought to SoHumane in early fall. He weighed less than two pounds, was covered with fleas and had ear mites. The four kittens were cleaned, wormed and treated by the SoHumane veterinary staff. They spent over a month growing, playing and receiving love and attention to help socialize them for their future

homes. As expected with his adorable personality, Deuce was adopted into a new home as soon as he was available. SoHumane recently received a message from his new mom who wrote, "I got my heart stolen by a sweet green-eyed kitten named Deuce. He's been home for about



a month and a half and we are having SO much fun! His name now is Maestro. He's learned that those green eyes will get him WHATEVER he wants. Big sister Mira wasn't sure about having a baby brother right away. However, it only took a couple of days for them to get along. It melts my heart when I see them snuggling and playing together. Maestro is such a fun little guy! I couldn't imagine my home without him. Thank you so much for everything you do to get animals into safe and happy homes!" **SoHumane supporters create happy endings for kittens like Maestro.**

♥ Love Conquers All ♥

Domino was surrendered at another shelter for being too active. He was terrified when he came to SoHumane and didn't want anyone to touch him. He could not be collared or leashed. The SoHumane staff and volunteers worked with Domino on his fears with consistent, loving care for eight months. Sweet little Domino trusted more and more people every day. A SoHumane media partner featured Domino in a video that was then shared on Facebook. A loving couple responded to the post and came to the Adoption Center to meet him. They fell in love with Domino and decided to adopt him.

His adopters shared an update, "Domino has discovered that he loves to sleep under the covers and to kiss us until we wake up. He has brought so much joy and laughter into our lives. Domino loves to play with the neighbor dogs, freely gives kisses and seeks out attention!"



Thank you for helping SoHumane make stories like these possible. Your gifts enable us to continue saving lives. Whether that means giving homeless pets extra time, additional veterinary care, or working on behaviors that create barriers to adoption, we just couldn't do it without your support! Please send your tax-deductible gift for the pets today in the enclosed envelope. Or to put your gift to work even faster, donate online at www.sohumane.org. Your gift today will become part of a homeless dog or cat's new story. ♥

With gratitude,

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