



*Happy Holidays
from SoHumane*



There is no better time of year to appreciate the people in our lives, as the cherished gifts that they are. We are grateful to share stories that highlight how your generosity and compassion make it possible for us to care for thousands of dogs and cats and find them homes and families.

May holiday miracles fill your hearts with joy!

There are moments that reveal the heartbreaking reality of an animal's suffering, and the first sight of Mufasa was one of them.

Mufasa's story began with a social media post, a plea from someone who had found a dog in terrible condition, struggling with a severe skin infection that had caused much of his hair to fall out and his body to be itchy and painful. SoHumane staff saw the post and knew immediately that he needed help. Every inch of him told a story of neglect and suffering, yet despite the constant discomfort, Mufasa remained gentle, loving, and desperate for affection.

With no one else able to provide the care he so desperately needed, SoHumane stepped in to give him a chance at healing and at a life filled with love. Mufasa was immediately transferred into our care. The moment he arrived his journey of healing began. Day after day, our team worked tirelessly to cleanse the infection, manage his pain, and ensure he finally knew comfort. Slowly, his hope returned.

Your generosity made it possible for Mufasa to receive daily treatments, antibiotics, and soft blankets. He learned what it felt like to be truly safe.

And then came the kind of powerful redemption the holiday season is meant to hold.

Soon after Mufasa had healed completely a wonderful woman arrived at our campus looking for a companion. She chose Mufasa without hesitation. He went home—not broken, not forgotten, but cherished. Today, Mufasa is thriving, surrounded by love, warmth and comfort.

Mufasa is living proof that your support does more than fund treatments; it transforms despair into hope, and potential loss into a lifetime of belonging. **Will you help us be there for the next animal who arrives in crisis?**



Your gift could be doubled!

Dr. Ed and Bobbi Helman are ready to match all gifts received, dollar for dollar, up to \$10,000 - now through December 24th. Accept their challenge and donate today. You create miracles for the dogs and cats during this season of hope. Your generosity will provide vital care and ensure lifesaving second chances.

Thank you for joining us in this partnership to save lives.



Kindness reaches wounds that only compassion can heal.

Tinsel was only four months old when his world began to tighten around his tiny heart. Born with a severe and complex congenital cardiac condition - including a double-chambered right ventricle, pulmonary artery stenosis, and a missing artery - his heart was working twice as hard just to survive. **Without treatment, Tinsel would face fluid in his lungs or abdomen, sudden collapse, and heart failure.** His family, overwhelmed and unprepared for the gravity of his prognosis, tearfully returned him to SoHumane - unsure if anyone would be able to help him at all.

But because of people like you, Tinsel was given a chance at a fulfilling life. Your gifts allowed us to send him to OSU Cardiology for advanced diagnostics, and then SoHumane staff began life-sustaining treatments and medication. He would never face the weight of his condition alone.

Soon after Tinsel completed his treatments a miracle walked through our doors – a family who did not ask how long Tinsel had to live, only how well they could love him. Wrapped in gentle, calm, safe arms, Tinsel was no longer “a sick return.” He was loved – fully, intentionally – for exactly who he was. They adopted him, choosing joy over fear, knowing his life may be shorter but never meaningless.

This holiday season, Tinsel will fall asleep not in a shelter, but in the warmth of a real home because people like you believe even the most fragile hearts deserve to be cherished.



Tinsel



It is never too late for love.

Rayna had been discarded. An elderly dog, Rayna was found wandering lost and confused. Her matted fur showed she had been alone outside for too long.

Her teeth were in poor condition, walking was difficult, and she was nearly blind. Her fear and confusion were overwhelming.

At SoHumane, Rayna immediately received needed medications, nutritious food, a warm comfortable space to rest and loving attention. Her treatment for severe dental disease included multiple extractions. **Gifts from generous supporters like you made it possible to improve both Rayna’s physical condition and her emotional wellbeing.**

Rayna then received the greatest gift of all – a woman saw her, fell in love, and decided that Rayna deserved the most loving, peaceful life imaginable. Later, inspired by the joy Rayna brought into her life, this wonderful woman returned to SoHumane and offered her home to a second senior pup – eight-year-old Daisy! **A beautiful, unexpected ripple effect of compassion for two senior dogs had been created.**

This holiday season, as we reflect on the importance of giving, let us celebrate how your contributions transform lives. Thanks to you, SoHumane will continue to extend a lifeline to the cats and dogs who need it the most.



Daisy and Rayna



*One of the real joys of the Holiday Season
is the opportunity to say*

Thank You...

*And to wish you the very best
for the New Year.*

Karen and the SoHumane staff

