

Terrence

## Our Recipe For Saving Lives

Begin with a large scoop of hard-working volunteers, mix in a large dollop of generous donors, simmer in a broth of dedicated veterinarians, vet techs, & groomers, and there you have it! **Since 2004, we have rescued**

**over 1200 dogs!!** Seems simple enough, but it's hard work, and dogs in need are NEVER in short supply. Coming to us from shelters, backyard breeders, puppy mills, or surrendered by owners, these poodles and poo-mixes are often neglected, abused, sick, & frightened. Many have an unknown history, so we start

with the basics: off to the vet for a thorough checkup; spayed or neutered; microchipped; and blood work to

check for heartworms or any other health problems. Medications prescribed, flea & heartworm protection applied & perhaps a trip to the groomer for a badly needed bath and a haircut. Oh, but we're not done yet!

**"Our goal is a happy family with a happy dog, we invest the time to ensure the best result possible."**

We place the dog in a loving foster home so they can settle in & be assessed. We never euthanize! Some dogs become "permanent fosters" due to health or temperament concerns & live out their days in loving foster care. Many hours & dollars go into this wonderful

effort, but there's more! Adoption applications must be checked, & the best possible Forever Home found for these beautiful & healthy dogs.

## Yes, Friends, The Holidays Are Coming!

Hard to believe, but the end of the year is nearly upon us, and all the rushing and visiting is equal parts joy and hassle! Please remember that pets should not be given as gifts!! Don't let the excitement and emotion get the better of you – many shelters and rescues find a huge jump in January with so many "gift" pets given up. Of course, **ADOPT, DON'T SHOP** any time of year, but especially at this wonderful, chaotic time.

## Help Us Help Them!

**adopt, donate, foster, sponsor, volunteer!**

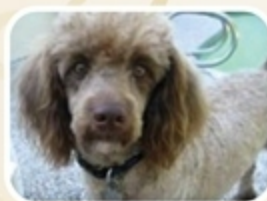


Before!

**"Magnolia"**



After!



More Joy



Cathy



Charcoal



Oreo Cookie

## How Can You Help?

Adopt a new friend from us! If that's not possible, consider becoming a foster, a most rewarding job. Check out our sponsorship program, either at our website, or use the form included with this newsletter. It's a great way to help a special-needs dog. And, of course, we need volunteers to transport, check references, and to work at public events. You can apply at our website for any of these things! It's easy, and it means the world to these wonderful dogs.