

## Letter from the Director

Dear Supporters,

It has been a full three months and still COVID-19 is a dominating presence in our everyday lives. The biggest difference between the state of things now compared to our newsletter at the beginning of April is that the world is starting to re-open. Here at the animal shelter, that means people are able to come and visit again with all of our wonderful dogs and cats in search of homes.

We are taking precautions for the safety of our staff, supporters, and community. Though we have many dedicated volunteers eager to get back to the animals, we've restricted the amount of people at the shelter at one time. Volunteers work almost entirely outdoors with the dogs, as well. For the general public, the shelter is operating by appointment to control the number of citizens inside the building.

Overall, things are still strange. We're still working with new information and guidelines day by day, and as always, I am thankful for the support and flexibility from all of you.

With Gratitude,  
 Michele Whaley, Director



While the shelter's regular Doggy Day out program has been suspended due to COVID-19, PCAS still wanted to find ways to get the dogs a break from the shelter environment. Doggy Day Out Staycations offer a great opportunity for people looking for some safe fun at home, and to help a shelter dog enjoy a weekend out.

Check out these pictures from the first Staycationers, and stay tuned for more opportunities to participate throughout the summer!



## Grateful for Grants

PCAS has been awarded an incredible total of \$5,500 in COVID-19 related grants. The grants awarded include a \$500 Petfinder Foundation Grant, a \$2,500 Rachel Ray Save Them ALL COVID-19 Relief Grant, and a \$2,500 Maddie's Fund Pet Foster Care Stimulus Grant.



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The shelter will use these grant funds to help grow the foster program that helped many pets during COVID-19, and to pay for vet bills in foster so that we are able to help more animals with medical needs.

## Pet Health & Wellness Tip

The 4<sup>th</sup> of July is a fun time for humans, but for furry family members who can't understand what's happening, it can be a very frightening and anxious time. Check out these tips to help everyone have a safe holiday:

- Keep all pets securely inside, even if they are usually outside!
- Try leaving calming music or white noise on to cover the sound of fireworks.
- Reassure pets by gently petting them and giving them a few treats.
- Make sure all pets have up-to-date identification! Tags should have a phone number for the pet's owner. Even better, a pet that is microchipped can't lose their ID!