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FIRST BAPTIST CHURCH HOLIDAY FAIR 2023

As we have for the past several years, FOBA had a table at the Baptist Church's wonderful Holiday Fair, which was held on November 18th. Lots of beautiful handcrafted gifts, good food and holiday music make this a very special seasonal event. We sold our 2024 calendars and fun catnip toys. It was great to be there again with the friendly church crowd and many local residents, everyone in the holiday spirit!



We still have a few calendars left. They make great gifts! Please visit our Facebook page or our website at friendsofbeverlyanimals.org for information on how to order.



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is a 501(c)(3)
charitable organization.

Donations are tax-deductible
to the extent
permitted by law.

FOBA ON BEVCAM

Friends of Beverly Animals has restarted our TV show on the Beverly Community channel: BevCam. We have a new volunteer, Suzan Acosta, who will be moderating and running the show. So far we did one show which is also available on the BevCam YouTube channel.

The show will have guests from other animal welfare groups and other related entities.

If anyone has any ideas for content and contacts who would like to be on the show, please email me.

Happy holidays to all of you and your animal friends.

Heidi



HAPPY ADOPTION STORY

CHARLES



We had a great opportunity this fall to take some homeless kitties from a trailer park in Peabody. The residents helped identify the kitties who needed homes and help. Charles came to us dirty and fearful, but flourished in one of our foster homes. Charles was adopted to a loving couple who appreciate his special personality. We love Charles and we congratulate him and his new family.

RESCUE STORIES

KAILANI

Kailani was rescued in a storm and flood this fall. She is a fearful girl and likely has never lived in a house. Thankfully, she is sweet and is currently living in one of our foster homes awaiting a quiet and loving forever family. If you are interested in adopting Kailani, please contact us.



CLEO

Cleo started to hang outside a home for a week asking for food. She snuck into the door when she was able. Due to the frigid temperatures, the kind homeowner allowed Cleo to come into the bathroom while she was working. She started looking for someone or a shelter to take Cleo. Cleo started to give birth and we told her to bring Cleo to us. We set up a nest in a large crate in a quiet room. Cleo is protective of her little ones so we tiptoe to deliver food and fresh towels to her. She enjoys it when we sit quietly near her nest. She will be friendly once her protective duties are done. Well done, Cleo.

MORE RESCUE STORIES

PAPA

Papa lived with the same lady for his entire eight years. She is diabetic and doesn't think she can risk being scratched any longer. Papa has a strong personality but also is loving. He likes to wander the house and will chase a string toy. Papa is best for an adult home. If you are interested in adopting Papa, please contact us.



ROUNDY KITTY

We took in Roundy kitty as he has been a regular at a Beverly feeding station. He is being socialized in one of our foster homes and is doing great! He seems to be a little timid but friendly and we already have some people interested in adopting this handsome boy. Please do let us know if you are looking for a handsome kitty such as Roundy, as we have more kitties coming in.



RESCUE STORIES – NOT JUST CATS!

BIANCA

We received a call from the hospital that someone had brought their dog to the emergency room, which is not allowed. So we took Bianca for an overnight. She seemed to have a good time chasing tennis balls at the local courts. She was an excellent holiday house guest and we wish Bianca and her owner a life of love together.



RUSSIAN TURTLE

We were contacted by a local lady to surrender a Russian turtle left behind by her roommate. The lady was kind enough to feed the turtle salad but didn't know a lot about turtles. This turtle would not survive outside in our climate. We delivered the turtle to Rainforest Reptiles right here in town. We trust they will give this girl a good home. Please do not buy turtles, leave them outside. Thank you.



MISCELLANEOUS



We would like to thank
the foster parents
this month:
Suzanne, Elizabeth
Daryl, Ailana
Robyn, Jessica
Cheryl, Jill
YOU ARE AWESOME!



Want to get more involved in helping pass bills that help animals? [Click here](#) to go to the MSPCA website for more information.

VOLUNTEER OPPORTUNITY

There is a dog on Essex Street in Beverly that enjoys walks and can take any time you have to give him a walk or run or just to get him outside. If you can assist, please contact:

Stay Pet Services at 978-865-3518.

Ask for Michelle Cain. Thank you!



Artwork by Sharon Cook, our
gifted V.P.!



We are always in need of more foster homes. If you are interested in fostering please contact:
Heidi at heidiroberts@comcast.net,
978 927-4157 or
Jill at dsajill1@yahoo.com,
978 969-2389.

FOBA pays for veterinary care, food and supplies during fostering.





2023 ANNUAL APPEAL

The animals need your help!

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December 2023 **CELEBRATING 15 YEARS OF SAVING PRECIOUS ANIMALS!**

Dear Fellow Animal-Lover:

Our organization began in 2007 because of a cat in Beverly named Millie, with a very sad story, that prompted Heidi Roberts (FOBA Founder and President) to act and to organize. Heidi and a small group of concerned citizens formed a nonprofit 501(c)(3) organization called the Friends of Beverly Animals (officially incorporated in 2008). The mission of FOBA is to help animals in need and their people and to work toward the long-term goal of having a no-kill shelter in Beverly. Our dedicated volunteers have saved hundreds of animals' lives, placing homeless animals in loving "forever" homes.

This year FOBA has trapped, transported and loved a steady stream of fearful animals. We relish the pictures of seeing them settled into comfortable homes as they begin to relax and play.

FOBA is best known for rescuing felines, but we also assist in situations with Animal Control in Beverly and other animal organizations to relocate animals to good homes, assisting in any way we can. This year we assisted with a Russian turtle, husky and pug dogs, and guinea pigs.

Millie's story had a happy ending, and FOBA has had many successes. We have fundraisers to cover some of the expenses of caring for homeless animals to provide essential food, shelter and medical care. FOBA is an all-volunteer organization. We rely on your support to continue our work.

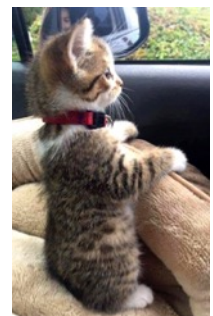
As we begin our 16th year of operation and approach the holiday season and the end of the year, we hope that you will find it in your heart to consider making a tax-deductible donation to the Friends of Beverly Animals so that we can continue rescuing these precious creatures.

"I found Sadie a forever home from the FOBA listing! Thank you so much for all your help. I contacted over 20 shelters/rescue places and FOBA went above and beyond any others. I got the most responses and assistance from your team. So, thank you, again, for everything! FOBA is making a difference."

- Jennifer M, Swampscott, MA



We eagerly watch our mailbox, both actual and digital for new donations!



MISSION STATEMENT

Friends of Beverly Animals (FOBA) is an all-volunteer Section 501(c)(3) charitable organization dedicated to the care of homeless animals in and around Beverly, Massachusetts.



FOBA's mission is to better the lives of these animals through providing food, shelter and essential veterinary care; creating a network of foster and permanent homes; collaborating with other rescue organizations and shelters to help more animals in any way possible; and, ultimately, to establish a shelter in or near Beverly.

FOBA also works to raise community awareness of animals in need. We strive to reduce the frequency of pet abandonment and to prevent animal abuse.

Ways You Can Help

There are many ways to help! Make a donation, foster or adopt an animal, attend or lend a hand with a fundraiser, join our organization and attend our monthly meetings. Visit our website friendsofbeverlyanimals.org and Facebook page often to learn more and stay informed about upcoming events. Donations may be made on our website (click on Donate button for instructions), or by mailing a check to FOBA, PO Box 3378, Beverly, MA 01915. Donations are tax-deductible to the extent permitted by law.

If you would like to make a gift in honor of or in memory of someone, please enclose a note with your check indicating the name of the deceased or honoree, the name and address of the person you wish us to contact concerning the donation, and whom it is from. We will send out an acknowledgement to the person you designate.

We welcome your comments and input at any time. In the past, we have had numerous different types of events including fundraising with food, music and dancing, raffles, silent auctions, comedy shows, wine-tastings, dog walks, trivia nights with food, raffles and auctions, plus selling calendars with hundreds of great photos of your beloved pets. We'd love to hear from you if you have any ideas for events that you'd like us to consider.

**On behalf of all the animals and our staff, thank you very much for your support!
We could not do our rescue and placement work without your help!**



*Donations may also
be made on our website
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