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**FLORIDA KEYS SPCA**  
*The Center for Animal Welfare & Education*

# September News from the FKSPCA!

*Have you heard the news?*



*September 2020*

FROM OUR DIRECTOR, TAMMY FOX

## Behavior Helpline Now Available!

Dear Friends,

As we enter the fall season many of us are adjusting to new school schedules, working while homeschooling our children and the ups and downs of dealing with COVID-19. It is a stressful time for many of us. We should all remember that our pets can sense the stress within us and can react in a variety of ways. There are some things you can do to ensure your pets stay resilient during this time. Please do your best to keep their routines the same as yours and your family's fluctuates. Keep meal times and walk times the same. Our pets find comfort in routine and consistency.



Another thing to remember is your pets need time with you. Make sure you set aside time for play and include enrichment in their daily schedules. Treat dispensing toys and activity strategy games or flip boards will help your pets pass the time while they wait for you and the family to return home. If you are one of the parents attempting virtual or homeschooling while trying to work, the activity toys will help keep your pet busy while you juggle your tasks. Most importantly, make sure you provide lots of cuddle time for you and your pet. Cuddling your pet will not only help their stress levels but it's been proven to reduce your own blood pressure by 10%!

If you find that your pet is displaying new behaviors that you would like help resolving, please check out our new animal behavior helpline by calling 305-294-4857 and following the prompts for the helpline or email us at [behaviorhelpline@fkspca.org](mailto:behaviorhelpline@fkspca.org).

As always, thank you for being a hero and partner in our lifesaving mission!

With gratitude,

*Tammy*

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**SHELTER LIFE**



**Behavior Helpline Information**

Florida Keys SPCA Animal Behavior Helpline

**DOG PROBLEMS? CAT CONCERNS?  
BUNNY BURDENS?**



**WE'RE HERE TO HELP!**

**CALL**

**305-294-4857**

**EMAIL**

**behaviorhelpline@fkspca.org**

Sharing your life with a companion animal can be incredibly rewarding but it also comes with a unique set of challenges. Even the most experienced pet parents need a helping hand at times.

The Florida Keys SPCA has a team of animal experts who are ready to help. Simply leave a voicemail or email about your pet's behavioral concern and one of our Behavior Helpline team members will reach out to help within 24-48 hours.

(Please note: This is a helpline, not a hotline. For Animal Control Emergencies, please contact our After Hours Emergency number.)

[Click Here for More Behavior Helpline Info!](#)



## **Dr. Jason Carloni joins the FKSPCA Team!**

We would like to formally welcome Dr. Jason Carloni as the new Veterinarian of the Florida Keys SPCA! Dr. Jason, who was born in New Jersey and moved to Florida at the age of 16, has always been a lover of animals. He studied biology at Florida Gulf Coast University, then went on to study veterinary medicine at St. George's University in

Grenada and did his clinical year at the University of Georgia. He most recently worked as an Emergency Veterinarian for Marathon Veterinary Hospital for 4 years before becoming our shelter Veterinarian. We are beyond excited to welcome Dr. Jason to our medical team!

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## **Our online store is now open!**

We are so excited to announce that we now have an online store where you can buy Florida Keys SPCA merchandise. We have shirts, masks, tote bags, mugs, hats, onesies and youth apparel. All proceeds from the online store will directly benefit the animals of the Florida Keys SPCA. We have many new designs that were created locally by the talented Promotions Guy. So if you are looking for some new swag, a birthday gift, want your baby or child to get some stylish gear or just want to

support the animals, click on the button below to see our new store today!

Check out our Online Store Today!



Florida Keys SPCA



Love is  
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Let our trained adoption  
matchmakers find your purrrfect  
match from the safety of your  
own home

Fill out an Adoption Questionnaire at  
[www.fkspca.org/adopt/](https://fkspca.org/adopt/) by clicking on the  
pet's picture you are interested in adopting!

A matchmaker will call you to discuss possible  
matches for your family and home!

Once your match has been identified, we will  
schedule a curbside pick up so you can enjoy  
the big reveal of your new pet at home!

Our **Love Is Blind Adoption Campaign** is going on NOW! Are

you interested in adopting an animal from the shelter? Follow the steps below to find your new furbaby:

1) Visit our website at <https://fkspca.org/adopt/>, click on the pet's photo you are interested in and fill out the questionnaire via the application link.

2) Once our adoption counselors look over your questionnaire, they will contact you for a counseling session on the pet(s) you may be

interested in to create a match between you and an animal.

3) Once your match has been made, your counselor will schedule a curbside pick up so you can enjoy the big reveal at home! Questions? Call 305-294-4857 in Key West or 305-743-4800 in Marathon.



## Is this Husky howling for you?

Meet Miley! Miley is a beautiful 8 year old Husky mix available to adopt at our Marathon Campus! She may not look like your typical Husky but this girl can sure act like one! Miley is highly intelligent and full of energy despite her age. She loves attention and asks for it by "talking" with the occasional "woo woo woo" or howl. She's so adorable, it's absolutely irresistible! Miley loves going for walks, playing in her pool and being the center of attention. Miley would even do well with another dog if they were the right fit. Learn more about Miley by calling our Marathon Campus at 305-743-4800 or fill out an application online at [fkspca.org/adopt-a-dog](https://fkspca.org/adopt-a-dog).



## Selena & Cloudy- Two Cats Waiting Too Long

Selena and Cloudy are two cats at our Marathon Campus who have been patiently waiting for a home of their own for FOUR years. That's a very long time to wait! Selena, an all-black female domestic shorthair is a shy cat who just keeps getting overlooked. Selena enjoys a good can of wet food and loves Temptation kitty treats! Cloudy is a petite white and grey cat who loves gentle pets and giving little kisses. Cloudy is also a Golden Paw cat which means she has had a senior blood panel prior to her adoption and will receive a complimentary exam after adoption at our Key West Dogwood Clinic plus 10% off all

future services for her entire life! Her adoption fee is also waived! If you're looking to bring a cat into your home and heart, consider one of our long-term residents in Marathon and give a cat in need a special home! Visit us online at [fkspca.org/adopt-a-cat](https://fkspca.org/adopt-a-cat) today to put in an application today!



**Selena**



**Cloudy**



### **Get our girl Glue stuck on you!**

Meet Glue! She is sweet, loving and ready for a home for her Golden Oldies! Glue had some eye issues but went to the vet, had surgery and now can see great! She is 9 years old and moves a little slower, but is full of head bumps and purrs once she gets where she's going. Glue will need a gentle home full of treats, love and maybe even a dog friend that is nice to kitties. As well, she

is a member of the Golden Paw Project which includes a blood work panel prior to adoption, 12 months of flea, tick and heartworm

preventative, a complimentary annual exam including vaccinations and 10% off all future Dogwood Wellness Clinic services. As well, her adoption fees are always waived! If you are interested in meeting Glue, please contact our Key West Campus at 305-294-4857.

## **A pair of Parakeets for you?**

Looking for some new feathered friends? These adorable parakeets are awaiting their forever home at our Key West shelter. Blue and Green were surrendered because their owner was moving and need a new family to call their own. They will need to be adopted together as they are a bonded pair. Parakeets can live from 10 to 20 years if well cared for, are social birds, can learn tricks and even be



taught a vocabulary! They are curious birds who like water activities, puzzles, toys and games. If you are interested in adopting our sweet budgies, our adoption counselors will give you instructions on how to care for them, what they eat and more. Their adoption fees are only \$25 each and you can contact the Key West Campus to learn more about them today at 305-294-4857. Thank you!



## **UPCOMING EVENTS**



### **Pampered Chef Party for the Animals**

## Friday September 4th - Sunday September 13th

We are excited to announce a generous supporter is hosting a Pampered Chef party to benefit the animals of the Florida Keys SPCA! 15% of the total sales will be donated to the FKSPCA! Pampered Chef products give you a way to cook easier, faster, and your meals will taste so much better because of the quality that their products are made from.

**You can purchase products starting Friday September 4<sup>th</sup> and the sale will end Thursday September 13<sup>th</sup>.** Click below for additional event info and to start picking out what you want before the event begins! You can also join the Florida Keys SPCA Pampered Chef Facebook group here to find out about specific products, details of the event and ask any questions from our Pampered Chef Consultant, Kelly Gaines by clicking [HERE!](#)

Thank you so much for your support and happy shopping!

[Click Here for our Pampered Chef Party Info!](#)

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**Give More Together**

## **Painting Paws for a Cause!**

During the pandemic our pets have been learning to paint to raise donations! Join us for a virtual art auction with

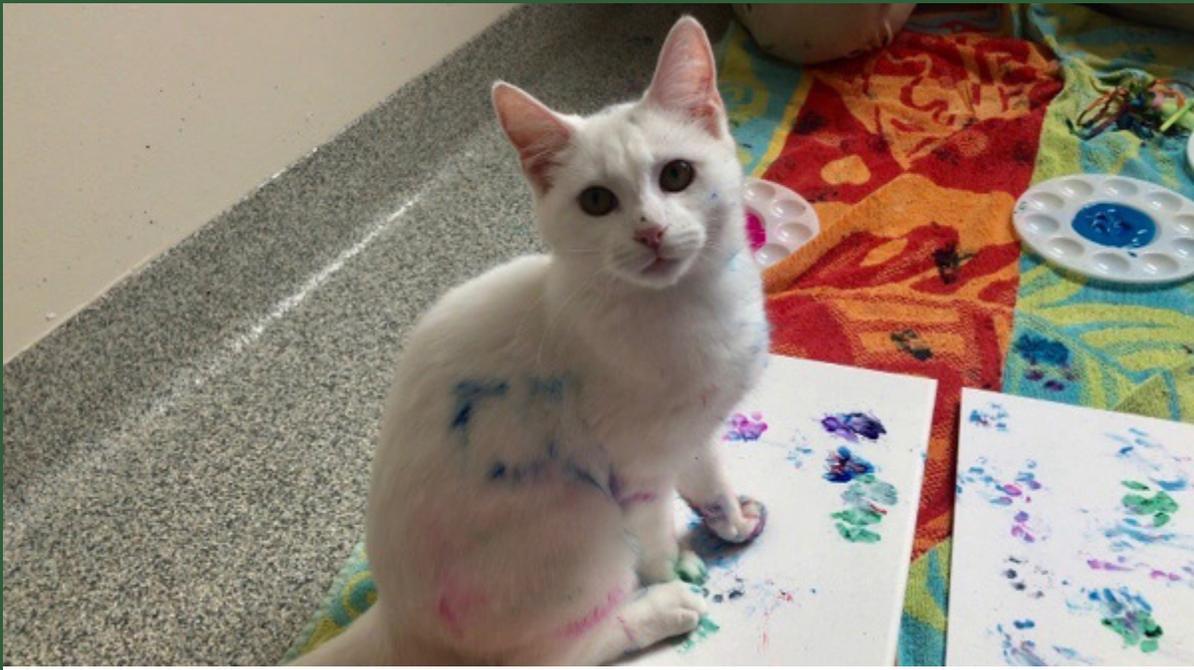
masterpieces created by animals of the Florida Keys SPCA! We will have 10 pieces created by dogs, cats, hamsters and a tortoise!

In addition to the paintings, there will be gift certificates included to local businesses like Mary Ellen's, General Horseplay, Fury and more that you will win with your paintings! We will do a LIVE Auction where you will bid on each painting and all donations will directly benefit the animals of the Florida Keys SPCA! Join us for a fun, socially distanced event and win a one-of-a-kind painting from one of our very special animals!

Additional details to come on the bidding process. To join our Facebook event to keep up on details of how to bid, the paintings and gift certificates, click [HERE](#). Details will also be updated on our website by clicking the button below.

For questions, please contact [Tiffany@fkspca.org](mailto:Tiffany@fkspca.org) or 305-294-4857. Thank you and happy bidding!

[Click Here for Event Info!](#)



 **COMMUNITY & OUTREACH** 



Does your pet need to be Spayed, Neutered or Vaccinated?

We have available Spay/Neuter appointments at our Dogwood Wellness Clinic in Key West now for Cats,

Dogs and Trap-Neuter-Release Cats! If you would like to schedule an appointment or have questions in general please email us directly at [clinic@fkspca.org](mailto:clinic@fkspca.org). Click on the button below for pricing and service information!

If you choose to purchase a Heartworm Test for your pet for \$20 in addition to your surgery, we will send you home with 6 months of heartworm preventative FREE! Thank you!

Our Wellness Clinic at the Key West Campus is reopening this Friday September 4th, Tuesday September 15th and Wednesday September 16th for vaccinations and other services. Hours of operation will be 10am-12pm and 1-4pm. To pre-register your pet for services, to learn about our *NEW* socially distant procedures to protect you and our staff and for questions contact the medical team at [clinic@fkspca.org](mailto:clinic@fkspca.org).

[Click Here for Additional Clinic Info!](#)

In August we joined NBC-Telemundo and Greatergood.org once again as partners in their National "Clear the Shelters" event for our fifth year in a row. This year brought some big changes as "Clear the Shelters" was transformed into a month long event!

Throughout the month of August we waived adoption fees at both of our Campuses and combined adopted 64 animals into loving furrever homes! This was made possible by our fabulous community who opened their homes and hearts to a shelter animal in need. Thank you to all of our adopters and to each of you who donated this month to help us "Clear the Shelters!"



## *Are You Interested in Becoming a Foster?*

The FKSPCA is in need of Fosters for many reasons including Hurricane Season, Kitten Season and Emergency Fosters for situations like the COVID-19 outbreak. While we do not need fosters in this exact moment, we need to prepare for all the reasons listed above.

We are continuing to accept applications for Hurricane, Emergency and Kitten Fosters, which we highly depend on throughout the year. If you're interested in learning about our Foster program please email [Lindsey@fkspca.org](mailto:Lindsey@fkspca.org) in Key West or [Tara@fkspca.org](mailto:Tara@fkspca.org) in Marathon. Thank you!



[Learn More About the Foster Program Here!](#)

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## **Are You and Your Pet Prepared for a Hurricane?**

# What's in your PET PREPAREDNESS KIT?



More pet prep tips at  
**READY.GOV/PETS**

[Click Here for Preparedness Info!](#)

Do you need some feel-good moments in your life right now? Check out and Like our Facebook page or become one of our Instagram followers today! We are posting happy, silly and fun animal content daily just like below!

Be sure to check out our *NEW Cat Cam* on our website at [www.fkspca.org](http://www.fkspca.org) to see what our kitties are up to LIVE!



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**HAPPY TAILS**



Roberto originally was interested in another dog at the shelter who wasn't a good match for his situation but we wanted to find a dog for him that would be. When he learned that a dog he knew had ended up at the shelter because his family could no longer keep him, he got in touch with us. It turns out that Roberto worked with Jameson's previous owner and he knew the dog. In fact, everyone in Roberto's household knew Jameson since they were all co-workers and colleagues.



When Roberto came to meet Jameson, it was obvious that not only did Jameson remember Roberto, he also liked him! In no time, Jameson and Roberto walked out the door hand 'n leash and judging from this sweet at-home picture, Jameson is right where he belongs! (On a wonderful side note, when Jameson went home, his original owner sent over some of his old toys as a familiar surprise for him. We love it!) We are so happy for this wonderful new family!

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