



FLORIDA KEYS SPCA

The Center for Animal Welfare & Education

May News from the FKSPCA!

Have you heard the news?



May 2021

FROM OUR DIRECTOR, TAMMY FOX

Stay Prepared for Hurricane Season!

It's hurricane preparedness time at the FKSPCA! We are tripling up on supplies and taking steps to make sure we are prepared before and after a storm.

While the FKSPCA is fortunate to have a safe facility in Key West we will still need to depend on our network of hurricane foster families when a storm is headed our way. This is due in large part to the need to move animals from



our Marathon Campus to the Key West Campus and to also make room for pets that enter the facility during a storm due to being abandoned or surrendered. Another challenge is that the FKSPCA will have limited staff to care for the animals during and after the storm and after the storm as many of our staff evacuate.

The FKSPCA is preparing for the 2021 hurricane season by training a select group of experienced volunteers and staff to act as a task force assigned to shelter in place at the Key West campus and care for the animals in the facility. We will also be contacting our list of hurricane foster families to determine their interest in fostering during an evacuation. If you are interested in becoming a foster family for either the Key West or Marathon Campus please contact Lindsey at lindsey@fkspca.org in Key West and Tara in Marathon at tara@fkspca.org. If you are not able to foster an animal but would like to help us prepare please consider making a gift to our emergency fund at www.fkspca.org/donate. These funds will be used in the event of a storm to purchase needed emergency supplies and pay for medical treatments for animals that come to us ill or injured.

Please make sure you are prepared in the event of any disaster by including your pet in all your preparation plans. For Category 1 and 2 hurricanes, Monroe County offers four shelters. They are located at Key West High School, Sugarloaf School, Marathon High School and Coral Shores High School. They are all pet-friendly, however there are requirements. You can find all the information you need including how to register your pet here: <https://www.monroecounty-fl.gov/938/Pet-Sheltering>.

Most importantly, please remember, **if it's not safe for you; it's not safe for your pet**. Be proactive, be prepared and be ready to take your pet with you in the event of an evacuation.

With gratitude,



We are hiring!

Looking for an exciting career working with animals? Our Marathon Campus is hiring! Join our team as a full time Animal Care Associate. The position provides for the daily care, cleaning, and enrichment of the shelter animals. An Animal Care Associate at the Florida Keys SPCA is responsible for maintaining a safe and

sanitary facility for animals and people and providing humane handling and care for all shelter animals.

Associates assure all animals' nutrition, emotional and housing needs are met on a daily basis. In addition our staff provide exceptional customer service in all areas including the matching of animals for the purpose of facilitating adoptions. The FKSPCA offers a generous benefit package including paid vacation, sick and holiday time after completion of waiting period. Email a cover letter and resume to Tara@fkspca.org. Thank you!

Need some new Summer Gear?

We have hats, shirts, tanks, baby & youth apparel, mugs, tote bags and masks! Keep cool and help

save a life!

Check out our Online Store Today!



Sponsor A Pet Program is Here!

Our exciting new Sponsor A Pet program will give you the chance to help change the life of one of our pets in need. Your monthly \$25 donation will directly benefit that pet's needs whether it's medical, like Milo, who has a skin condition that needs extensive treatment, a specific diet or a special needs animal. You can find each pet available for sponsorship and their stories by clicking the button below.



Each sponsor will receive a welcome letter, a picture of their pet, certificate of sponsorship and updates on their sponsored pet. You can also give the gift of saving a life in honor of someone special. We have so many animals with stories to tell and we want to share their needs with you in hopes that you will find a special bond with them. For additional questions please email Tiffany@fkspca.org.

Meet Your Sponsor Pet Here





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MAY 10TH IS
NATIONAL
HAMSTER DAY!

Adopt one of our smallest friends today!

KEY WEST CAMPUS
5711 COLLEGE RD.
KEY WEST, FL 33040
305.294.4857

MARATHON CAMPUS
10550 AVIATION BLVD.
MARATHON, FL 33050
305.743.4800

www.fkspca.org / info@fkspca.org

Bring home a big joy in the form of a small animal today!

May 10th is National Hamster Day! With 12 Hamsters available for adoption, 6 at each shelter campus, we have many wonderful small and furry friends waiting for a home, and their adoption fees are all **WAIVED** this day!



Hamsters can make great family pets and enjoy companionship from humans. They love to interact with mazes, toys and treats! Hamsters are relatively hardy and with the proper diet and environment can live 2-3 years. Let's celebrate National Hamster Day together by helping our littlest adoptable pets find their furever families, for **FREE!** Adopt a Hamster this month by visiting us online at <https://fkspca.org/adopt/adopt-small-animals/>.



Looking for your next cat coworker?

Capricorn is now accepting applications for the position of furever family. Job duties include providing lots of playtime, tons of cuddles, and a whole lot of treats. The right applicant should have a high tolerance for cuteness and adorable hijinks. Payment will be in the form of snuggles and kitty paw high fives. He's a happy, handsome, 6 year old Domestic Shorthair excited to find the best home that is full of love, time and patience. He gets along well with coworkers (other cats) and

could be your next feline friend. If you think you might be the right person to fill the role of Capricorn's furever family, visit fkspca.org/adopt/adopt-a-cat/ to fill out an adoption questionnaire today!



Ella could be everything you want!

Meet Ella! Ella came to our Marathon Campus when her owner passed away. At 90 pounds she was overweight and had a very large mass on her hip. Thankfully the mass was not cancerous and Dr. Aundria DePino from Marathon Veterinary Hospital recently removed the big bump successfully!

Now that Ella is healed from the procedure, all she needs is a forever home where she can be loved and snuggled. Currently Ella is in a foster home with two other dogs (both her size and smaller) and a young child. Her favorite thing in the world is a squeaky toy! Ella is a sweet Shepherd mix with so much love to give. If you have a big spot in your home for a wonderful, well-behaved, senior companion, Ella could be the perfect choice for you! Can't adopt right now? Ella is part of our new Sponsor a Pet Program. Your sponsorship will help us to care for Ella's day to day needs, medical requirements and help her become a healthy pup until she finds her furever home! Learn more about Ella by calling our Marathon Campus at 305-743-4800.

Candi's cuddles could be yours!

Candi just had her 2 year anniversary at our Marathon Campus. Surrendered on April 26th of 2019 she's spent over 730 days without a family. At first Candi loved sitting on the shelf in the Catio to look through the shelter window and eventually learned to "beg" for treats.



After some time the other cats in the Catio started picking on Candi, so for her own comfort she needed to come inside to have a safe space all her own. Even though she gets a large "cat condo" all to herself it doesn't compare to life in a home. Candi has plenty of unique traits like begging for treats, she doesn't like any wet foods at all and she likes to sleep under a blanket that she suckles on. If you love Calico's this gorgeous girl may be the cat for you! Don't let Candi spend another day at the shelter! Adopt today by going online to <https://fkspca.org/adopt/adopt-a-cat/> and clicking her beautiful photo to complete an online questionnaire.



UPCOMING EVENTS



Saturday May 8th

Jewelry Sale ~ 8am-1pm

22766 Jolly Roger Drive, Cudjoe Key

Friend of the shelter and local artisan Peggy Taylor will be hosting a Blow Out Jewelry sale from her collection to benefit the animals of the Florida Keys SPCA. Stop by to see if there is something for you all while saving a life!

BLOWOUT

Jewelry Sale Proceeds to benefit



FLORIDA KEYS SPCA

22766 Jolly Roger Dr, Cudjoe Key

Saturday May 8, 2021 8:00am- 1:00pm

While enjoying the **Jewelry Sale**,
You may want to browse the

Yard sale

Hosted by Peggy Taylor

Sunday May 9th and 16th

Marylin's Restaurant and Pub

12-2pm

320 Grinnell Street, Key West

Join us for the next 2 Sunday afternoons for Bingo at Key West's new hot spot, Marylin's, to benefit the animals of the Florida Keys SPCA!

Marylin's is partnering with the FKSPCA for Sunday Funday! Join us from 12-2pm for great food, fun cocktails, raffles and of course, Bingo! Hosted by Key West's own Miss Epiphany! There is both indoor and outdoor seating available, and well behaved pets are always welcome. We can't wait to see you all there!

[Click HERE for Event Info!](#)



Virtual Kitten Season Shower



Kitten season is here! We will take in an overwhelming number of kittens between now and September as the cooler weather ends and cats go into heat. If you want to help our kittens by becoming a 2021 Kitten Season Sponsor, a Kitten Foster or by donating much needed supplies from our Amazon Wishlist, click on the button below to learn more about how you can help! Or, if you are interested in adopting,

continue to watch our adoption page at <https://fkspca.org/adopt/adopt-a-cat/> to see when they become available! Thank you for your support for these itty, bitty kitties!

[Kitten Season Shower Info Here!](#)





**May 14th is
Chihuahua
Appreciation
Day!**

**Celebrate these
little pups in the
biggest way
possible today!**

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!**](#)

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 follow our Small Animal Facebook Page, *Bunnies & Buddies*, for regular content featuring small animals like rabbits, guinea pigs and hamsters!



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HAPPY TAILS



Kindness and patience pays off for sweet Ringo!

Adoptee Ringo was NOT a fan of the boat when Jessica and Alex first took him home, which may have been disappointing since they both enjoyed time on the water. But rather than just throw Ringo in the boat one day and expect him to get used to it (which can easily backfire!) they used a gradual step-by-step process over time. Offering delicious treats throughout the process helped Ringo build positive associations and feel more comfortable with both the boat and the water.



Learning he could rely on Alex and Jessica to keep him feeling safe. Ringo's confidence has grown and their bond is even stronger!

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