



We ask for your support on behalf of the animals who share our journey.

PLEASE SAY YES!
I WILL HELP...
"BECAUSE THEY MATTER"

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HSCAZ at PO Box 242
Payson, AZ 85547
or donate online at
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HUMANE SOCIETY OF CENTRAL ARIZONA DONATION FORM

SPRING/SUMMER 2023

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Mailing Address _____

City _____ State _____ Zip _____

Email Address _____

Home Phone _____ Cell Phone _____

I am enclosing my tax deductible gift of:
_____ \$25 _____ \$50 _____ \$100 _____ Other

- OR -

Please charge my ____ Visa ____ Mastercard ____ Discover Card
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\$ _____ starting on _____ (month/year) until I cancel.

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KINDRED SPIRITS
NEWSLETTER

RESPECT, GRACE, COMPASSION, AND LOVE FOR THE
ANIMALS WHO SHARE OUR JOURNEY

COMMUNITY SPOTLIGHT

Haus of Voodoo Reptile Sanctuary

OUR MISSION

To provide shelter and compassionate care for animals who are lost, abandoned or homeless; to ensure that animals who come into our care are nurtured in a loving space while healing from fear, physical or emotional trauma, mistreatment or loss of a caregiver; to place animals into appropriate and loving homes through adoptions; to improve the lives of animals through education and example; to promote spay and neuter of companion animals.

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605 W. Wilson Court
Payson, AZ 85541

HSCAZ SHELTER

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Payson, AZ 85541

SHELTER HOURS

Adoptions

Tuesday through Saturday
10:00 AM to 3:00 PM

Stray Intake/Pickup and Donations:

Monday through Sunday
8:00 AM to 4:00 PM

HSCAZ RESALE STORE

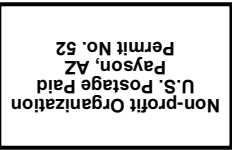
928-468-6419
510 W. Main Street
Payson, AZ 85541

RESALE STORE HOURS

Monday though Saturday
9:00 AM to 4:30 PM

Donations accepted:

Monday through Friday
9:00 AM - 3:00 PM
Saturday
9:00 AM - 1:00 PM



SUCCESS STORIES



Come to our shelter and see if your new best friend is waiting for you! You'll give a homeless pet a home they've been longing for.

MICROCHIPS

Microchipping your animal is an important process to help get a lost animal back home to it's owner. HSCAZ offers microchipping to the public Tuesday, Wednesday, Friday, and Saturday from 10:00am to 3:00pm, as long as there is medical staff available, for only \$25.00 per animal. Appointments are requested, but not necessary.

After microchipping, there is no further work for you to do. HSCAZ will register the microchip for you.

The process takes approximately 5 - 10 minutes and the majority of that time is filling out the necessary paperwork. So don't delay, make your appointment today.

VOLUNTEERING

Ever wonder what you could do when you have a few hours to spare? Come volunteer for the Humane Society of Central Arizona. We are always accepting volunteer applications and there are several areas you could lend a hand (and your time) in.

Resale Store: You can volunteer in receiving where you can sort through donations, price items, and take donations out to the sales floor or up front at the cash register. Any volunteers that would like to help at our Resale Store will be contacted by the store manager, Ryan.

Shelter: Cat socialization, housekeeping (laundry/dishes), cat house cleaning, and/or dog walking.

HSCAZ has re-vamped the Volunteer Program at the shelter so all volunteers that want to share their time with the animals will need to attend a New Volunteer Orientation and a Hands-On Training (if working with dogs) which we try to hold monthly. Call (928) 474-5590 to find out when the next one is scheduled.

You can stop by the shelter at 605 W Wilson Court or the resale store at 510 W Main Street for a Volunteer Application.



MORE WAYS TO GIVE

Can't volunteer? No problem. There are other ways to help HSCAZ.

- **Amazon Wish List** - HSCAZ has an Amazon Wish List at www.amazon.com/hz/wishlist/ls/2VZYT4QYT29IR?ref=wl_share
- **Chewy.com Wish List** - HSCAZ also has a wish list on Chewy.com. You can view it by going to www.chewy.com/g/humane-society-of-central-arizona_b74229870.
- **Monetary Donations** - Monetary donations are always accepted and appreciated. You may make a one-time donation or sign up for a reoccurring donation at humanesocietycentralaz.org/donate/. Donations can also be made in person or by mail.
- **Everyday Donations** - HSCAZ always accepts donations of towels, sheets, blankets, and pillowcases. Everyday cleaning supplies such as paper towels, hand soap, Dawn dish soap, laundry detergent, etc. are also accepted.

DECLAWING CATS

Declawing cats may seem like a good idea at first, but it really is something that should ***never*** be considered.

Declawing is actually multiple amputations comparable to the removal of human fingertips at the first knuckle. Sensory and motor nerves are cut, damaged and destroyed. Recovery from the surgery is a slow and painful process. This procedure can hamper the sensations and enjoyment involved in walking, running, springing, climbing and stretching. Removing claws changes the way a cat's foot meets the ground and can cause lasting paw pain, back pain, infection, tissue necrosis (tissue death) and lameness.

Declawing a cat may also result in behavior issues as well. Urinating/defecating outside of their litter-box is probably the most common complaint. **Paw sensitivity resulting from the declaw operation may result in litterbox avoidance and urine-soaked furnishings or carpeting. Many declawed cats also resort to nipping or biting with very little warning.**

Alternatives to declawing cats: There are several alternatives to declawing cats, although effectiveness may vary depending on a cat's age and temperament. Some of the more prevalent alternatives to declawing cats are:

- **Behavioral Training:** This is a much more effective alternative for kittens than adult cats, and involves redirecting a misbehaving cat to a toy or scratching post.
- **Sticky Paws:** These are is sort of like huge, double sided Scotch tape, but the glue is designed to be safe for the furniture. It makes the surface unpleasant for the cat's feet to touch, and they quickly learn to stay away.
- **Soft Claws:** These are vinyl nail caps for cat claws that are applied with surgical adhesive, and to which cats usually get used to within a few days.
- **Frequent Nail Trimming:** This is a less effective, but nonetheless widely used alternative to declawing cats. It involves trimming the nails very short. However, this method will not stop a cat from sharpening its existing claws and using them.
- **Toys/Scratching Post:** This might be a foregone conclusion in the eyes of some cat owners, but it is very important to have sufficient options for feline recreation and respite. Some cats are very particular, so make sure the equipment you invest in has your feline friend's seal of approval.
- **Appropriate environmental enrichment:** Cats are natural hunters and explorers. When we make them indoor pets, they can experience stress if not provided with an enriched environment full of outlets for their inquisitive, playful energy. An enriched environment includes providing things like scratching surfaces, toys, cat trees and more.

RESALE STORE AND VINTAGE BOUTIQUE

The Humane Society of Central Arizona Resale Store is located at 510 West Main Street in Payson, AZ.

- **Store hours** are Monday - Saturday 9:00 AM - 4:30 PM
- **Donations** are accepted Monday - Friday 9:00 AM – 3:00 PM and Saturday 9:00 AM - 1:00 PM
We take furniture, household goods, pet items, tools, clothing, shoes, purses, antiques, and much, much more.

To schedule a furniture pick up please call (928) 468-6419.

All proceeds support the homeless animals at the HSCAZ Shelter.

KITTEN SEASON

The month of April usually marks the beginning of the official kitten season. Because of our climate, kitten season can last until October and HSCAZ often gets flooded with cats and, especially, kittens.

A common question HSCAZ gets...I found a litter of kittens, what do I do?

If you happen to come across stray kittens, please leave them where they are. Our natural instinct of wanting to help and protect the kittens comes out, but most times intervention isn't required.

The best advise is to leave the kitten alone. Most often, mom is out finding food for herself and will return shortly. The kittens need to remain with mom for the best chance of survival so give her a chance to return to her babies.

If you are certain the kittens have been orphaned (mom hasn't come back for about 8 hours), you may step in and help care for the kittens until they are approximately 8 weeks old. At that time, you can bring them into the shelter.

If mom has continued to raise her babies and they are now weaned from mom, you can bring them into the shelter.

Donations are now needed for kitten season: wet food, KMR milk replacement, bottles, nipples, small blankets, etc.

PETS AND WARMING TEMPERATURES

Is it too hot to walk my dog? Test it...hold your bare foot on the ground for about 7 seconds. If it's too hot for your bare feet, then it's too hot for your pup.

Never, ever leave your pet in your car. The inside temperature of a vehicle can sky rocket in a very short amount of time. If you're going to be out shopping, please leave your pets at home.

Summer safety tips:

- Keep your pet indoors when possible
- Limit outdoor exercise to early morning or evening
- Avoid long walks, hikes, and excessive play
- Consider dog booties for hot pavement
- Play in the sprinklers or a kiddie pool
- Never chain your pet (chaining your dog is illegal in the Town of Payson)

UPCOMING EVENTS

- **May 1-15** - Empty the Shelter Adoption Event
- **May 6** - Viper Voidance Rattlesnake Training - BY APPOINTMENT ONLY. Call 480-215-1776 for scheduling
- **June 16** - HSCAZ Fundraising Event - more info coming soon
- **Aug 1-31** - Clear the Shelters Adoption Event
- **Oct 21** - Payson AeroFair 10:00am - 2:00pm
- **Nov 4** - Chili Dinner Fundraising Event - more info coming soon

Have more questions?
Call HSCAZ at (928) 474-5590 or visit our website, humanesocietycentralaz.org, for more information.

2ND CHANCE FUND

Every animal deserves a second chance after being left to fend for themselves. Verde was found on the side of HWY 87/260 by chance, standing off to the side hiding between dead brush and a hill. She was emaciated and had several injuries throughout her body. Ready to accept the care she so desperately needed, she allowed her finder to scoop her up and be driven to HSCAZ. Weighing in under 39 pounds she began her journey through gaining weight with consistent feedings, medications to fight off the abscesses and open wounds causing her pain and a comfy bed to call her own at night. Fast forward 3-4 months, Verde has gained enough weight that you can no longer see her defined spine, protruding rib-cage and hip bones. All of her injuries have finally healed just leaving behind the remnants of scarring. Her eyes are full of joy being surrounded with a medical team, staff and volunteers to care for her needs and let her know she doesn't have to struggle to survive every day.

Verde: Before



Verde: After



Donating to our 2nd Chance Fund helps support the animal that come in that need that extra care. Whether it's x-rays, amputations, surgery, etc. the 2nd Chance Fund helps cover those additional costs.

Donate today to help those that need that extra care...

Verde is currently still available for adoption.

Come on in and meet her to see if she's the perfect fit for you and your home.

FIRE SEASON PREP

This year's wet Winter has, unfortunately, made way for a dangerous Summer. It's always better to be prepared for a possible evacuation than to get the "Go" order and have nothing ready. Here are a few tips to make any disaster a bit easier on you and your fur-baby.

Prepare a "Go Bag" that includes:

- Your pet's vet records
- A recent photo
- A week's supply of food and water
- A crate, leash, collar and/or harness
- Medications

Before a disaster occurs:

- Verify your pet's microchip
- Create a short list of pet friendly hotels, friends, and family that you can go to during an evacuation.
- Make sure your pet is wearing some kind of ID (tags, writing your info on their collar, order a custom collar with yours/his information, etc.).

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Start recycling without leaving your home.

Sign up with Recyclops and they pledge to donate \$1 to the Humane Society of Central Arizona from every customer's monthly subscription.

www.recyclops.com



What you need to know to get started.

- You will receive Recyclops bags to put your recycling into. Please use your own bags until you receive your roll of Recyclops bags.
 - Teal Recyclops bags are for plastic, cans, small cardboard & paper. (No need to sort these recyclables.)
 - Yellow Recyclops bags are for glass. (please remove all corks or lids)
 - Please wait until your glass bags are full to place them out on your curb.
 - Large cardboard does not need to be bagged. Please flatten and place under your bags.
 - We will be unable to pick up recycling that isn't bagged (other than large flattened cardboard).
- *Using these bags helps keep recycling clean and helps protect Recyclops drivers from injury.



What can be recycled?

We Accept

- Aluminum & steel (tin) beverage & food cans
- Cardboard & pasteboard
- Glass containers (with glass subscription)
- Magazines/catalogs, junk mail, paper, books
- Newspapers
- Plastic beverage, food, & soap containers (plastics #1, #2)

We Don't Accept

- Aluminum Foil
- Batteries
- Bubble Wrap
- Fluids or aerosols of any kind
- Hazardous chemical containers (motor oil, pesticides, etc.)
- Greasy boxes or paper (pizza boxes or used paper plates)
- Other glass (windshields or glass panes)
- Plastics 3-7
- Plastic bags
- Styrofoam and packaging "peanuts"
- Tetra packs (juice box, almond milk, etc.)
- Thin film plastics



WHEN IN DOUBT THROW IT OUT

