



Helping the companion animals of our homeless brothers and sisters since 1998

## 2023 HOLIDAY NEWSLETTER



**Sometimes Love Has No Address** 









Our 2023 **SHAP Street Family Photo Album** is overflowing again this year! This past year we faced a record number of folks experiencing homelessness and in dire need of our help. Struggling to find shelter in the hot summer sun or seeking a bit of warmth in the freezing cold is a constant battle on the Street. The need for help has been overwhelming. If it weren't for SHAP's work on the Street, the amount of suffering would be unthinkable. This is why SHAP exists, and why we need your generous support.

**Those with beloved companion animals by their side** need help to keep their companions healthy and well fed. SHAP stepped in so many times this year to provide veterinary care, food, as well as harnesses, leashes, coats . . . and more!

**Providing vital veterinary care** for both illness and injury put a big strain on SHAP's budget this year. We helped with an overwhelming number of life-ordeath cases. Vet expenses are SHAP's prime purpose and biggest expense. But with generous donors out there like you in this crazy world, we can keep these loyal companions healthy and well-fed.

**So many reasons people become homeless** -- loss of job, evictions, death of spouse, abuse at home, inability to work because of disabilities, struggles with addictions. There is never just one simple story to tell. We remain pledged to provide those homeless families with companion animals these crucial services.

**Companion animals provide a sense of family**, personal responsibility, unconditional love, and a reason to get up each day and keep the faith – while their struggle on the Street continues for now.

**The brightest spot in their lives** is always the companion animal sitting faithfully by their side. Together, they are family–strongly bonded–pledged to protect and love each other every day.

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Keep up with SHAP's outreach and activities on the Street.

We love sharing our Street Stories with you!

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# **Street Stories**



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# HATS OFF TO OUR SHAP VOLUNTEERS & SHAP ANGEL SUPPORTERS!

Karen Cain and new super volunteer **Carrie Klauber** marched together in this year's Fiesta de Santa Fe Pet Parade flying SHAP's banner. Carrie also joined Karen and Peggy at the SHAP table for our **Best of Santa Fe Block Party** celebration!

In January, Karen, Peggy, and two awesome new volunteers **Pam Stanley** and **Caroline Bauer** worked all day with the **Hill's Pet Food** crew to pack up dog food and make toys to put in tote bags to hand out on the Street. Thanks, Hill's, for the great donations!

Big thanks to amazing volunteer **Chris Boortz** who organized our 1st Annual Art of Giving online fundraiser! Raising a record number of \$\$\$! Kudos to Chris!

So much gratitude to **Mary Mitchell** who hosted a special June house party to spread the word about SHAP's work.

Big "thank-yous" to all the volunteers who helped us on the day of our 2023 Zombie Run! Giving muscle, assistance, brain power, dressing as Zombies, keeping event on track, and cleaning up after! Carrie K., Chris B., John C., Chris, Michael A., Shiri, Charles A., Airica, Levi, Cisco, Geegee, Carolynn B. & Kids, Sally, Judith G., Jon W., Julissa, Lauren L., Hannah, Liz W., Rhonda B. & family, and Bobbi & Sierra from Santa Fe High School.











#### 2023 SHAP's 2nd Annual Zombie Run Fundraiser

#### SHAP's Second Annual Zombie Run Santa Fe

held on Oct 29th at the Santa Fe Railyard Park brought our community together in support of SHAP's work. With dollars, compassion, and generosity! We raised not only funds for SHAP's work, but awareness in the community of what we do every day on the Street.

#### **BIG THANK YOU TO Z-RUN SPONSORS**

So many fantastic sponsors stepped up to make this spook-tac-u-lar 2023 FUN-d-raiser come to life!

Capitol Ford, Enterprise Bank & Trust, Café Pasqual's, Sillage Salon, Teca Tu, The Raven Fine Consignments, The Critters & Me, Indigo Baby, Jambo Bobcat Bite, Harry's Roadhouse, Café Fina, Artisan Title, Rustica, Ranch House, op. cit. books, New Mexico Association of Realtors, Back Road Pizza, Center Barber Shop, Running Hub, Laura Comeau DDS, Dolina Café & Bakery, Kakawa Chocolate House, Chile Line Brewery, Pizzeria De Lino, Goler Fine Shoes, Plaza Café Southside, Santa Fe Coins & Jewelry, Santa Maria Provisions, Carolyn H. Gonzales CPA, Sprouts DeVargas, Whole Foods, Colorado Party Rentals, Amanda's Flowers, Plantita Vegan Bakery, and Nothing Bundt Cakes.



1<sup>st</sup> Place 3K Winner John Espinoza

**2nd Place 3K Winner** A.J. Gonzales

**3<sup>rd</sup> Place 3K Winner** Martha Gonzalez



**Events included** the 3K Zombie Run/Walk and Monster Dawg Zombie Walk (with pets in costume)! Our MC, Michael Abernethy, interviewed each owner and pup as they strutted their stuff in Halloween costumes.

Other spook-tac-u-lar activities included Tarot With Tiffany, Face Painting & Balloon Twisting with Teresa Montano, Torii Taiko, Snapshot Selfies, new truck preview by Capitol Ford, and a Horror Lounge--decorated in glorious bloody detail by our own Executive Director, Karen Cain – a lover of Halloween and all the spooky fun that comes with it.















Give SHAP a Place in your Heart with RMDs, Planned Giving, or Legacy Gifts!

SHAP hopes our wonderful donors and supporters will think of SHAP in the coming year and add us to any of your Planned Giving Programs or Legacy Gifts.

Leaving a bequest in your will is a simple and meaningful way for you to **leave a legacy of compassion and health** for our most vulnerable on the Street.

And, if you are 70½ or older, you can give SHAP a tax-smart gift today by transferring all or part of your IRA Required Minimum Distribution (RMD) to SHAP as a donation. You can transfer up to \$100,000 per year to SHAP tax-free and reduce your taxable income.

We know that it is your passion (and ours) to alleviate suffering for companion animals. Discuss this giving opportunity today with your legal or financial advisor.

Give the Gift of Health and Happiness to Our Most Vulnerable













# On the Street

### **Celebrating our SHAP Street Team**







**Peyton** 

Becca







Amanda

**Carrie** 

**Judith** 



SHAP is so proud to be in the Top 3 of Santa Fe Reporter's Best of Santa Fe 2023 for Best Nonprofit For Animals!

We entered the contest and landed in Top 3 for Animal Nonprofits in Santa Fe! Many thanks and much gratitude to all our supporters and the votes from the community!

Kudos and thanks to all SHAP Friends who keep spreading the good word about our vital work on the Street—helping the companion animals of our homeless brothers and sisters.



2023 SHAP Honors & Awards Timeline

**JANUARY Hill's Pet Food honors SHAP** with a reception at Eldorado Hotel & Spa, hosted by Hill's rep Ross Marquez, to donate dog food, blankets, and handmade dog toys in tote bags to hand out on the Street.

**FEBRUARY Unity Church Santa Fe honors SHAP** with support, generous donations and an invitation to speak at their church service about our work (on Super Bowl Sunday).

MARCH Local Amazon distribution center reaches out to SHAP to donate food, tents, blankets, and other needed supplies.

**APRIL** The great **Performance Santa Fe** celebrates SHAP's work and honors Executive Director Karen Cain with a special recognition page in their Spring performance program.

**MAY** Honored with grant from the wonderful **Carroll Petrie Foundation**, a private family foundation in Santa Fe.

**JUNE** SHAP launches its **1**<sup>st</sup> **Annual Art of Giving** online auction fundraiser spearheaded by new volunteer Chris Boortz.

**JULY** SHAP continues its **Dogs Die in Hot Cars** campaign through the hot summer -spreading the word to never leave your
animals in a hot car -- not even for a second!

**AUGUST** A record number of local folks reached out to volunteer with SHAP! Karen Cain invited to radio interviews on *Pet Chat* with Murad & Bobbi. Also, radio Interviews on KTRC's *Richard Eeds Show*, and *Living on the Edge* with Xubi Wilson (KSFR).

**SEPTEMBER** SHAP launches **SHAP-Wear** merchandise! Baseball caps for humans and dog coats with SHAP logo and tagline!

**OCTOBER SHAP 2<sup>nd</sup> Annual Zombie Run** FUN-d-raiser at the Santa Fe Railyard Park.

**NOVEMBER Grant for 2024** from Santa Fe Community Foundation for Animal Welfare.

**DECEMBER** Look for our special ad in the Santa Fe New Mexican Holiday Gift Guide!

