

Acorn needs your help...and a forever home!



Meet Acorn!



It was both the worst day and the luckiest day for Acorn. On August 22, this beautiful German Shepherd was hit by a car. Fortunately, a

Good Samaritan who witnessed the accident, rushed her to the Central Coast Pet Emergency Clinic (CCPEC). Apparently, this adorable dog with gigantic ears had been living on the streets of New Cuyama and community members had been feeding her while she wandered from home to home.

The veterinarians at CCPEC took x-rays and diagnosed Acorn with a badly broken leg (left lower limb). Miraculously, the veterinary surgeon was able to save Acorn's leg and she is now recovering at our Santa Maria shelter. The road to recovery is long with crate rest, sling walks, and medication. But first, what Acorn needs right now is a loving foster home—and then eventually a forever home.

How can you help Acorn? First (and easiest!), please click [here](#) to donate. With the support of K-9 PALS, we need to raise \$2,500 to cover Acorn's critical veterinary care. Second, are you interested in fostering Acorn during her recovery period? Please fill out an application [HERE!](#)

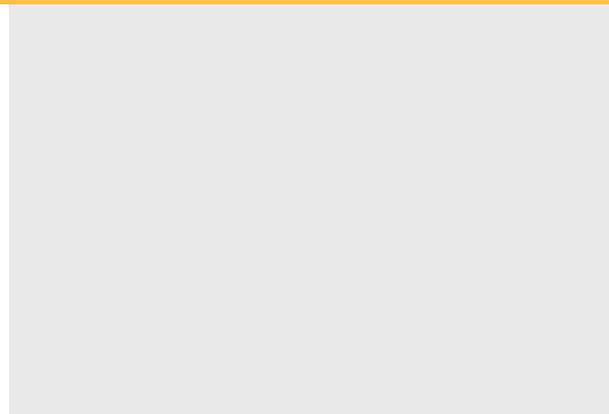
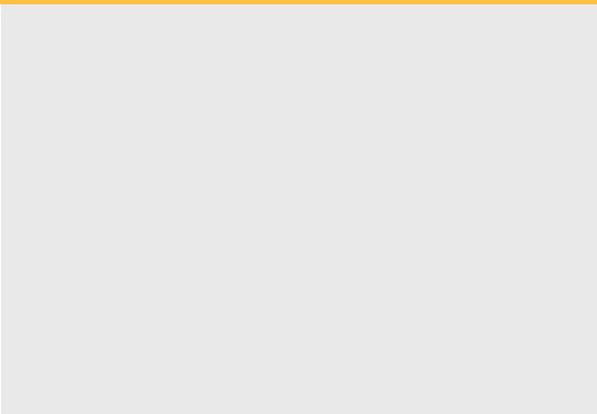
Acorn will be available for adoption after she has fully recovered from her injuries. Stay tuned as we track her progress—we all want to see if she eventually grows into those huge ears!

Nonprofit Partner Highlight: K-9 PALS



K-9 PALS is one of several non-profit organizations in Santa Barbara County which provide financial support for the medical needs of the animals in our County shelters. K-9 PALS has been a huge part of our life-saving efforts since 2000 by paying for veterinary care and procedures that would exceed the County's ability. In addition, K-9 PALS provides support in countless other ways including supplies, transport, training, and rescue/foster.

Here are just a few recent dogs whose lives were saved with the financial support of K-9 PALS.





Senior Sherman arrived at our shelter with infected wounds and a severe skin condition. He needed immediate medical treatment to address these painful conditions, but was also diagnosed with chronic skin and severe ear issues. This will require ongoing specialized treatment by Dr. Jean Greek, a veterinary dermatologist. Now that he has the proper care, Sherman is looking for his forever home.



Getting old is hard on all of us, but for some senior dogs, the most painful aspect can be neglected dental care. When Mancha arrived at the County shelter, her mouth was so painful, she didn't even want to eat! Because she is a senior dog, her dental surgery needed to be done by an outside



Tito is currently in foster care while recovering from pelvic surgery. Tito was believed to have been hit by a car and was taken to PETS ER late one evening this Summer. Veterinary staff determined that his pelvis was fractured. Tito is recovering well and receiving extra TLC in foster care. He is halfway through his 12 weeks of crate rest and will be looking for a forever home soon.



Scared, alone and still a puppy, Jean was brought to the County shelter as a stray. One of our Animal Control Officers noticed right away that something was very wrong. Jean was immediately transferred to PETS ER where she was diagnosed with Parvo, a dangerous virus that is very difficult (and expensive) for young dogs to overcome. However, with the dedicated support of K-9 PALS, Jean received excellent medical care and made a full recovery. Best of all, she

specialist. We're happy to report that Mancha is happy, pain-free and eating well in her new forever home!

is no longer alone and is thriving in her new adoptive home.

Please click [HERE](#) to donate to K-9 PALS and help save dogs like Acorn, Sherman, Tito, Mancha, and Jean in the future!

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