

MARDI GRAS HORSE ADOPTION PROGRAM 2023 A BIG SUCCESS!

We've been working hard to save Mardi Gras parade horses since 2017. While most horses walking in parades each year are privately owned, the demand for horses always exceeds supply during carnival season. Cascade Stables in Audubon Park purchases about 20 horses from horse brokers each year, shortly before Mardi Gras. The horses arrive at the stables homeless and unwanted, with an uncertain fate ahead of them. We were heartbroken to learn that many of these horses were sold back to the horse brokers after the parades, to be shipped south for slaughter in Mexico. We've adopted 107 animals since the program started, including 17 adopted this year. *Thanks so much* to everyone for making this lifesaving program a reality!

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Do you know what our key members do in their spare time? Help more animals! Several of our Board members have been actively involved in the formation of a new nonprofit over the last several months. The charity will help address a critical animal protection need in the Greater New Orleans area - helping injured and orphaned wildlife, both through handson care and education. We look forward to working collaboratively to help these often forgotten wild creatures for many years to come, and we thank all of the volunteers who have been working on this project.





Poor **Rosie**, a beautiful 12-year old Himalayan cat, was recently found dying in a ditch in Algiers. Luckily we were able to help an area rescuer rush her to a vet by paying for the emergency care. Rosie was dehydrated, malnourished, full of fleas and in need of dental care. Luckily, the pretty kitty is feeling much better today and is on her way to a full recovery in a new home!



Did you know we have been taking in precious pups like HOT CHOCOLATE from the small Franklinton Animal Control facility and keeping it NO KILL for close to seven years?



GUMBO - The Avoyelles Parish Sheriff's Office recently charged Patrick Miller with multiple felonies, including impersonating a peace officer. Several days after his arrest, it was discovered that Miller had a dog penned up in his backyard. Fortunately, a neighbor had started feeding the starving animal. Since the parish has no shelter, there was no place for the little dog (who we subsequently named Gumbo) to go. Since we have a good working relationship with the sheriff's office and wanted to help, we agreed to take custody of little Gumbo. Doug Atkins, known for his work in trapping stray dogs around the state, volunteered to help. He drove several hours round trip to the parish and delivered Gumbo to us. Like many rescue dogs, Gumbo will need to recover and undergo heartworm treatment, before he can be adopted or eligible for transport. We are thankful that so many people pitched in to make his rescue possible.

