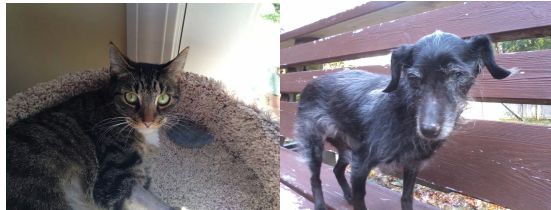


Dear.....,

2014 was a busy year for the Groton Animal Foundation (GAF), now in its 8th year of supporting the Groton Animal Control Facility. From January through October, GAF provided healthcare to 78 animals at a cost of \$11,500. In addition, we subsidized vet bills for 34 pets costing \$5,500, and spayed /neutered/vaccinated 50 feral cats, costing \$4,100. That adds up to over \$21,000 and the year isn't over! Over 80% of our annual donations are provided by private donations and GAF fundraisers.

As you can see, your donations to GAF matter. Your gift has the power to change an animal's life. Dogs and cats don't end up at the Animal Control facility because of a happy story. They arrive injured, abandoned, neglected, abused. Your gift helps get them healed and ready to start a new, happy chapter in their lives.

"Stitches" was a very sick stray. During spaying, it was found she suffered from a form of liver disease. She was treated with antibiotics and recovered. "Stitches" was recently adopted, has been renamed "Pearlie Jean" and the family adores her.



"Sassy", a dachshund mix, came to the animal control facility after her owner passed away. She had a severe infection in her mouth and into the bone, some teeth were extracted and was treated with antibiotics. Thanks to GAF she received all necessary treatment and was adopted into a loving home.

And of course, "Maya," is a 10-year-old husky that came to animal control after she was viciously attacked by 2 dogs. She sustained injuries to her face, neck, shoulders and front legs. She was treated for multiple punctures and lost a piece of her ear. GAF and generous donations from the public paid to treat her because her owner was unable to do so. After several weeks of healing, Maya has made a full recovery including her joyous disposition and is back with her loving owner.

I can't emphasize enough how much your support is needed and appreciated. The animals rescued in Groton are fortunate to have their medical needs addressed, which greatly improves their chances of being adopted. In addition, financially stressed Groton citizens who have animals that are a loving part of their families don't need to postpone medical care for their pets because of GAF's bill subsidy program.

Visit our website, www.grotonanimalfoundation.org to see more of the projects we do to protect animals in Groton, including our coyote education program, the summertime "Too Hot For Spot and Kids Too" project and our Pet Expo. Follow us on Twitter and Facebook!

Thank you!

Mary Elaine Kelly, President
Dec. 3, 2014

Donna Duso, Groton Animal Control Officer - "I would like to take this opportunity to personally thank all of our donors. As the Animal Control Officer I am on the front lines and see how each and every donation no matter how big or small helps to improve the lives of all the animals that come through the Groton Animal Control Facility. I can't express in words my gratitude for people like you who truly makes a difference in an animal's life at the local level."