

My pain is so obvious...why don't you care?

Chicky's owners preferred to sell her on Craig's List rather than get her the medical help she needed. For seven years or more, her internal organs would slowly fill the hernia on her belly till it was the size of a softball. A tiny dog of barely ten pounds, carrying her insides in a sack on the outside of her body. Her discomfort would cause her to bite the new owners who had paid for her and the little male who cowered next to her in the crate. He could stay, but Chicky would be confined to the crate and given up...again.

The Animal Control Officer knew that there was hope for her at our shelter...where we just don't give up.

Dear Friends,

After hearing a story like Chicky's even the harshest heart melts just a little. Her story is one of millions like her, who struggle through life in pain, and then are disposed of or given away. Thankfully in Chicky's case she was given to us.

Of course, by "us" we mean Sanilac County Humane Society and YOU.

Every animal that enters our shelter for whatever reason, is given another chance at a good life because of your generous support.

Every year our shelter is the temporary safe place for some two hundred displaced, orphaned or injured dogs and cats who would otherwise be left behind or struggle through a lonely life in pain.

Because of your compassion and generous gifts, Chicky received the surgery that would make her normal again and afterward the gentle hands of our caring staff helped her to regain her trust in people. Soon she was crawling into any available lap to catch up on what she had missed for so long. Less than a month from her arrival at our shelter, she was adopted into her happily ever after home.

Not only at Christmas but all through the year, we are intent on letting you know how important you are to the animals, and that without you none of this would be possible. Your gift this holiday season will enable us to fulfill the promise of a good life to so many more animals in the coming year.

Your help is critical, and the need is enormous.

We are so grateful for each and every one of you, always there with spiritual and financial support. We speak not only for ourselves but for all of the dogs and cats who are assured every chance that they deserve. Not all of them have a heartbreaking story of neglect like Chicky, but all of them do have the same basic needs...to be protected and fed, to love and be loved.

Thank you for helping us be what we are...the voice, the strength and the hope for all animals.

Merry Christmas and many blessings in the coming year,

Carol Schmidt

Carol Schmidt, Executive Director Trustees, Staff and Residents

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