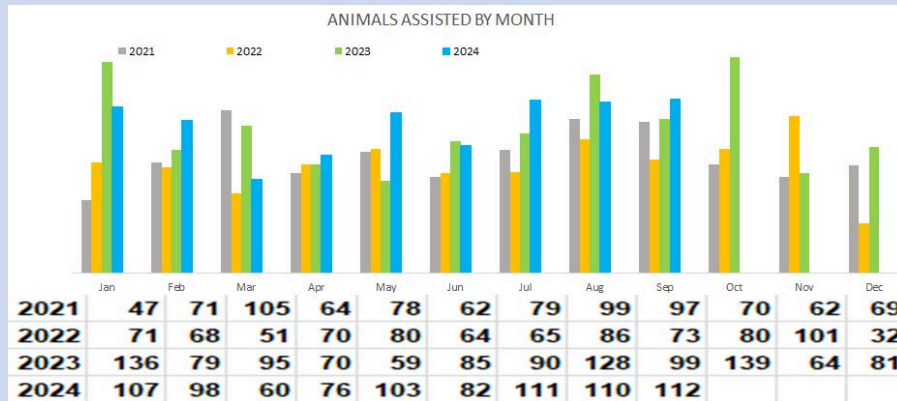
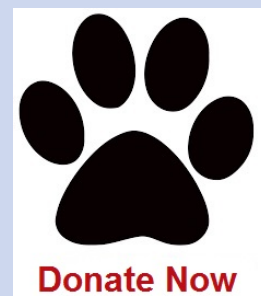




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Paws In Need is a California 501 (c) (3) Non-Profit organization dedicated to improving animal welfare in our local community.



We would like to thank author, Bonnie Lester, for allowing us to participate in her “meet the author” and book signing event held on September 22nd in San Ramon and for her generous donation of all book sale proceeds from that event to Paws In Need. Lester provided attendees with free pain management resources and video educational materials, as well as selling signed copies of her newly published book *Unwinding Pain – Affordable and Accessible Ways to Feel Better Now*. She shared valuable insights about the benefits of the human-animal bond in dealing with chronic pain.

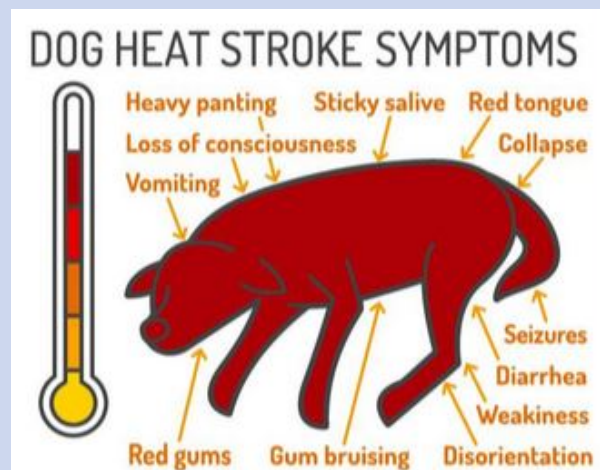
Bonnie Lester is a renowned chaplain, pain coach, and interfaith minister whose triumph over complex regional pain syndrome (CRPS) has made her a beacon of hope for chronic pain sufferers worldwide. Drawing from her rich background in health sciences, counseling, and cultural education, she empowers individuals to take charge of their well-being through accessible self-care strategies grounded in neuroplasticity and lifestyle medicine.

Bonnie is highly skilled at helping people through their grieving process after the loss of a loved one or pet. If you would like to contact Bonnie Lester, please do not hesitate to send

an email to: bonbonlester@gmail.com and for more information you can visit her website at www.bonnielester.com.

For those of you interested, Unwinding Pain has launched a You Tube Channel! This channel is the culmination of Bonnie Lester's longtime dream to make science-based pain reduction information affordable and accessible 24/7 to anyone who needs it.

<https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=oZOeMkqnx2w&t=150s>



This is an important reminder for all dog lovers that we are still experiencing hot weather. Please do not walk your dog in excessive heat and pay particular attention to their paws. They do not wear shoes, so their paws are not protected from the heat; this would be the equivalent of you walking bare foot on hot pavement. If you cannot leave your bare feet on the ground because of the heat, the same goes for your dog.

You may have heard on the news the tragic story of Nae Nae, a gentle Rottweiler, who somehow let herself out on the balcony of her owner's apartment and could not get back inside. Sadly, it was a 100 degrees that day and Nae Nae passed away from heat exhaustion. If you ever witness a dog in distress, please call the Animal Control office or the Fire Department. The Fire Department will more than likely dispatch faster than the Animal Control Office. Also, California has passed the Good Samaritan Law which reads: **1799.102. (a) No person who in good faith, and not for compensation, renders emergency medical or nonmedical care at the scene of an emergency shall be liable for any civil damages resulting from any act or omission.**

Good Samaritan laws in many jurisdictions require that you call law enforcement and follow instructions. If you don't know whom to call, dial 911. If instructed by law enforcement to enter the car, consider how you will safely secure the dog.



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We appreciate your continued support of our efforts!



Community
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Special November Fundraising Campaign

Paws In Need is pleased to announce **that, exclusively for the entire month of November only,** we are partnering with **Community Health & Education Foundation (CHEF)** to offer an exciting fundraising opportunity. **For every 2 dollars raised, CHEF will match it with one dollar,** and since

CHEF does not charge processing or administrative fees, **150% of all donations** go directly and securely to support Paws In Need programs! That means if we receive \$20,000, CHEF will contribute an additional \$10,000, to hit our target goal of \$30,000!

You will be receiving an email in the next few weeks, that will include details and instructions for donations to this matching campaign along with the link directing you to a dedicated fundraising page on CHEF's website. Only donations made on the special giving page will count towards our matching goal. To maximize the impact of this matching campaign, we encourage you to make your donations at any time during the month of November. Starting December 1st, if you still wish to make an end-of year tax-deductible gift, you can make your contribution to Paws In need directly on our website.



Bambi

Sweet Bambi was found as a tiny baby on a rather rural Pleasanton property along with her siblings and stray mom. [Read more...](#)





Tweety

Found as a stray when she was just a baby, we were contacted by a Livermore family to utilize our low-cost spay/neuter program. [Read more...](#)



Jazzy

This precious dog is very loved by her family! Understanding the importance of spaying and neutering your pet, [Read more...](#)



Sugar

Can anyone say "foster failure"? Sugar was found at a senior living facility by a Paws in Need volunteer. [Read more...](#)



Rocco

Rocco's lovely family contacted us about getting their Boston terrier fixed. While they own two dogs, one of them recently had to undergo a major surgery for several thousand dollars, [Read more...](#)



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Vehicle Donations are Tax-deductible.

Do you have a vehicle that has been parked for years in your driveway or on the street that you are not using? Please consider donating it to Paws In Need.

Turn your unwanted vehicle into something more productive! We accept vehicle donations as a form of support. The tow is free, and donating is easy! Fill out our secure online form

by visiting <https://www.careasy.org/nonprofit/paws-in-need> or call (855) 550-4483) to speak with the vehicle donation support team.

Vehicles are not limited to cars or trucks; it includes RV's and motorcycles.

We are also offering a real estate donation program.

Similar to vehicle donations, you may have land or property you no longer wish to own due to inconvenience or expenses. Our program, Giving Property, will evaluate, list, and sell the donation so Paws In Need can receive the proceeds. Call (855) 550-4483 for more info.



Don't know what to do with all the unwanted stuff? No worries, you can contact our volunteer, Linda Gray, if you have any items you would like to part with, such as jewelry that you no longer wear, gift cards that you just cannot use, that figurine just collecting dust, or anything that can be sold on eBay to generate proceeds for PIN.

Please contact Linda to arrange for pick up or drop off of items. Your donation will help us cover the costs of our vital programs to keep pets healthy and together with their loving families.

You can reach Linda at 925-243-1225 or e-mail her at lmmattner@sbcglobal.net



In Honor of People

In Honor of my friend's Donna Nguyen 60th Birthday from Kirsten Sprott

In Memory of People

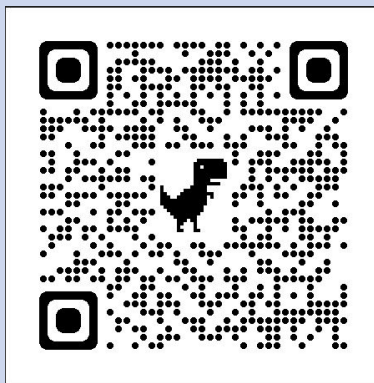
In loving Memory of my sister Judith from Darline and Guy Lohman
In Memory of Barbara Finn from Kathy Woofter
In Memory of Barbara Finn from Joseph Balch

In Memory of Animals

In Memory of Proby, Lola's dog and best friend from Birgitta Parseh



Ways to Donate to Paws In Need
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Network for Good: Use this site to contribute to Paws In Need - <https://www.nfggive.org/home>. Network for Good makes giving to charity easy and convenient, anywhere online through their trusted charitable fund.

[Click here to see all the choices!](#)



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