



People for Animal Welfare in El Dorado County

A nonprofit coalition of animal welfare groups and individuals committed to stop the killing of healthy, adoptable animals

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PAWED's activities in 2002 were a great continuation toward achieving our mission to stop the killing of healthy, adoptable animals in El Dorado County! Here are some of the highlights:

- ✔ PAWED held and/or participated in **32 adoption events** for pets from the El Dorado County Animal Control shelter in Placerville. These special adoption events were conducted at PETsMART in Folsom, the Pet Expo in Sacramento and the Animal Control shelter in Placerville. **A total of 79 dogs, 8 cats and 2 rabbits found new loving permanent homes** as a result of these efforts! This is a 39% increase in the number of adoption events and a 76% increase in the number of pets adopted, compared to our efforts in 2001! Home visits and follow up phone assistance were provided for the dog adoptions to insure that they were placed in good homes and that any questions/problems were addressed immediately.
- ✔ Assisted the El Dorado County Animal Control shelter in developing a volunteer program and in conducting 3 volunteer orientation sessions. This resulted in 15 new volunteers who now assist the shelter.
- ✔ Participated in the Barn and Book sale fund raiser sponsored by Lynn Willingham at her "Fun Farm" in Penryn. This fund raiser was extremely successful and resulted in over \$9,000 being raised for PAWED!
- ✔ Developed and distributed the first two PAWED newsletters.
- ✔ Sponsored a free dog training class at the Cameron Park Library for people who adopted a dog from the animal shelter.
- ✔ PAWED literature was distributed at the El Dorado County Home and Garden show and at the County Fair.

- ✔ PAWED established a pet medical fund and, with discounts from local veterinarians, was able to pay for the heartworm treatment for 4 wonderful dogs and the dental work for one older dog from the El Dorado County Animal Control shelter. All of these dogs now have happy, healthy lives in their new permanent homes.
- ✔ Two members of the PAWED Board of Directors attended the annual CHAMP (Conference on Homeless Animal Management and Policy) Conference, which was held in Reno, Nevada. This conference was sponsored by the Pet Savers Foundation and provided extremely useful information and contacts.
- ✔ One member of PAWED attended the “Open Paw” Conference in Berkeley. This conference, which was sponsored by the National Humane Education Association, focused on techniques for training shelter animals and methods to improve the shelter environment to improve the lives of shelter pets while they are there.
- ✔ Many pet supplies were donated to PAWED, and these were subsequently donated to the El Dorado County Animal Control shelters in Placerville and South Lake Tahoe.
- ✔ Distributed literature and discussed the importance of the spay/neuter of pets at all adoption events.
- ✔ Made a power point presentation to the El Dorado County Board of Supervisors to provide information about PAWED and its accomplishments.
- ✔ PAWED was featured on Channel 10 in May for the Annual Pet Adoptathon that was held at the El Dorado County Animal Control Shelter.
- ✔ The PETsMART “Santa Claws” event was a big success again this year. We provided volunteers for Santa, the photographer, and assistants and PETsMART provided everything else. Customers and their pets posed for a holiday photo with Santa Claws, and five dollars from each photo was donated to PAWED. We raised about \$150 for PAWED from this special event. (These funds are not included in our year-end bank account total, as they have not yet been received.)
- ✔ PAWED began the year with \$966 in our bank account, and ended it with \$11,665!
- ✔ As of December 31, 2002, PAWED has 37 members (last year at this time we had 33 members). We may still be a small group, but our members are dedicated and have already made a great difference in the lives of many pets!