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Love At First Sniff

A date night that ended with a kiss and a fur-ever home for Yule

Looking for love without having to swipe right? SPCA Florida's Doggie Date and Doggie Overnight Programs are here to play matchmaker! Whether you're

ready for a one-day fling or a cozy overnight cuddle session, our adoptable dogs are here to brighten your day—and theirs! Just ask Yule, who came to SPCA Florida from Polk

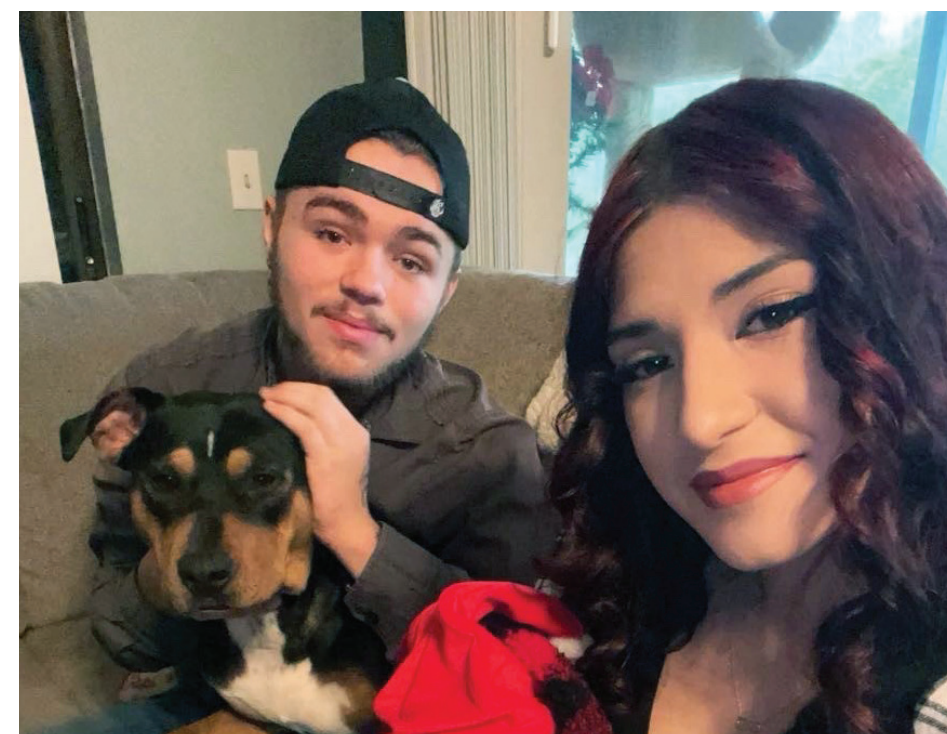
County Animal Control waiting and longing for a home, and a person, who he can call his own. After just a couple weeks at SPCA Florida, he was taken out for a sleepover, where it was love at first sniff. After he was wine and dined, he was then adopted! Today Yule, and his forever human are happily together and both are receiving a lot of love. This program is perfect for anyone who can't have a pet full-time or wants to "test the waters" before making a lifelong commitment. It's a great way to explore Lakeland with a furry companion by your side. Plus, every \$10 "date fee" goes toward enriching the lives of our pups. No dating apps needed—just tail wags, happy hearts, and unconditional love. Stop by our Adoption Center and meet your paw-fect match today. ♥

The Plight of Proud Pickles

A tall "tail" of a tenacious feline

Hi, I'm Pickles and I want to share my tail – I mean tale – with you! I came to SPCA Florida back in March of 2024, and was not doing well to say the least. Despite that I remained positive. I came to the shelter so badly covered with fleas and lice, that I had to get my fur shaved. I also had to get several teeth pulled because of severe dental disease. I was suffering, itchy, and in pain, with no home to call my own. On top of this I had FIV–Feline Immunodeficiency Virus. But that all changed when I came to SPCA. They gave me the care that I needed, in the most loving, down-home way. My new friends at the shelter made it a point to make me

as healthy as I could be. From the beginning 'til the day I was adopted they were as kind as could be! I was lucky enough to be adopted with my best fur friend Dottie, and now I'm in a home where I'm loved, healthy, and content. I'm one handsome kitty with a positive outlook on life, all thanks to SPCA Florida and humans like you! ♥



In the Game of Saving Lives

A families cry for help leaves our medical team hog-tied

SPCA Florida's Veterinary Clinic received an upsetting call about Daisy, whose peaceful world came to a halt when wild hogs attacked her while playing in the woods. The devastating results left her life hanging by a thread. Her family lived miles away and were terrified for their beloved girl. They rushed her to our clinic, desperate for a miracle. Time was of the essence for Daisy and the moment she arrived our surgery team sprang into action, providing her with emergency care. Every second counted as

they worked diligently to save her life. Against all odds, she pulled through. Thanks to the unwavering dedication of our skilled veterinary staff she's home with her family—healthy, happy, and full of life. This story is a testament to SPCA Florida's mission—the importance of compassion, care, and the unwavering love of a family. At SPCA Florida, we fight for every pet's life, just like we fought for Daisy's. ♥

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TOTAL PATIENT VISITS

2024 = 28,711

Saving animals one heart at a time ♥

Run for Their Lives 2025

Save the date: May 24



Join us for the SPCA Florida's 5K Run for the animals on Saturday, May 24. Run or stroll through Petersen Park in Lakeland, FL to show your support and raise lifesaving funds for homeless animals. Everyone is invited, whether a serious runner or avid walker, come join the fun for a fur-tastic cause.



Log onto our website and see how you can participate and get involved. ♥

www.spcflorida.org

Pitties & Kitties

Save the date: April 4

SPCA Florida's low-cost spay and neuter event. Come get your feline and canine friends spayed and neutered to keep our community free from over population. See our website for more information. ♥

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Paw-lunteers Are The Best

Award winning story of two fur-ever buds

SPCA Florida is thrilled to share some heartwarming news from Petco Love. One of our incredible volunteers, Alan, submitted a winning story for the Petco Love Stories contest. His touching account featured his beloved cat, Monster, an SPCA Florida alum turned certified Paw-lunteer. Monster has given over 250 hours of community service, spreading love and comfort in nursing homes and hospitals through pet therapy. Monster's story is a testament to the power of adoption—not just for the animals but for the people they touch along the way. We

had the honor of celebrating this dynamic duo at Petco in North Lakeland on February 6, giving them the recognition they deserve. Monster & Alan found each other through adoption and have been sharing their love ever since. Who knows? Your next trip to SPCA Florida might just lead you to your own love story! ❤️



Help Us Help The Animals

Every donation, no matter the size, helps care for our deserving companions and find them fur-ever homes. Here are some examples of how your donations help.

\$25 Feed a hungry puppy, kitten, dog and cat

\$50 Provides neuter surgery to prevent unwanted litters

\$125 Provides spaying services to maintain a healthy population

\$250 Provides necessary dental care for animals with dental needs

\$500 Provides emergency medical care to save precious lives

\$1,000+ Impacts animal welfare and the number of lives saved

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Janie's Smile

An adoption gone good

When Janie, an 11-month-old poodle mix, arrived at SPCA Florida, her big brown eyes held a world of worry. She was shy, timid, and hesitant to trust because of her past. Janie longed for the safety of a loving home and a patient, kind soul to help her bloom. Our staff poured their love, care, and encouragement into her, slowly building her confidence. It was only a matter of time before Janie's perfect match walked through our doors. Her adopter saw not just a nervous pup but a sweet girl with potential and

offered her the forever home she had been dreaming of. Today, Janie is thriving—her tail wags with joy and her playful personality shines brighter every day. ❤️



A Room With a Reason

How re-purposing a room made a cat very happy

**Gungha Din's
Legacy**



When we first decided to use our Gungha-Din Cattery as a healing haven for cats recovering from upper respiratory infections, we weren't sure what to expect.



But what's happened since has been nothing short of heartwarming! This cozy space now welcomes cats like Alexander, who might have otherwise spent weeks in isolation. With his playful spirit, he turned the cattery into his personal playground. It didn't take long before his charm helped him find his forever family and he was adopted in just days. By opening the doors of the cattery to potential adopters, we're not just advocating for these cats' well being, we're giving them the chance to find love while they're still recovering. ❤️

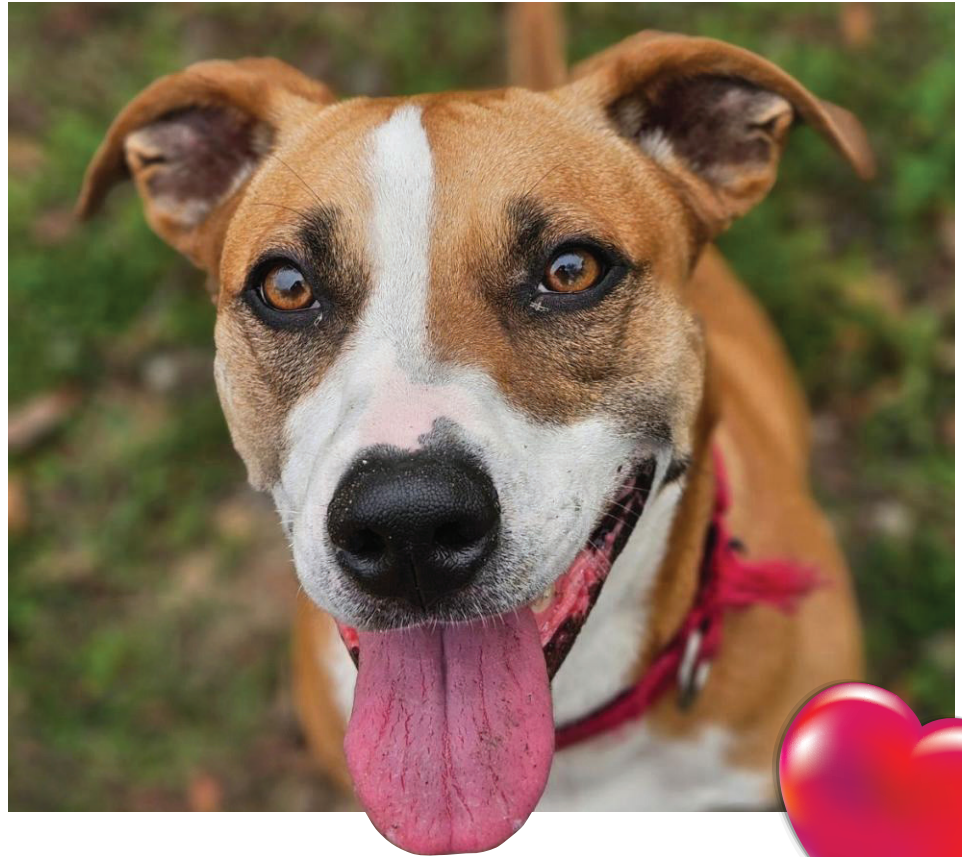
Be One of the Cool Cats

Come hang with Lyla
at Orlando Cat Café



Hello
Daddy-O

This sweet girl is a cuddle bug who melts for affection and adores curling up on a soft towel—her version of heaven. Lyla spends her time at the Orlando Cat Café dreaming of finding a fur-ever family while sipping on a tasty cappuccino—not really, she prefers just latte. The Orlando Cat Café is a unique space combining coffee, community, and cats, and has been an incredible partner of SPCA Florida, aiding in the mission to help more cats find their new homes. Stop by the Orlando Cat Café and say hi to Lyla, and all the other cute cats there. You might find your new cuddle companion! ❤️



Loving Our Lady Lupita

Our resident girl is your next best friend

For nearly three years, Lupita has waited. She's watched her kennel neighbors leave one by one, tails wagging as they went off to their forever homes. Every time, she's stayed behind, silently asking, "When will it be my turn?" This gentle terrier mix has so much love to give and a playful spirit that lights up around water. She may

pull on the leash sometimes and need a little patience to feel safe when left alone, But what she lacks in perfection, she more than makes up for in love and loyalty. For three long years, she's been waiting for someone to see her worth and we're hoping this year is the year that she finally finds her happy ending and new beginnings. ❤️

