

# 4TH QUARTER UPDATE 2024



As we celebrate Giving Tuesday this year, our focus is directed to community involvement. So many companies and schools now require volunteer hours and Bella Vista Animal Shelter is working to make tasks for the youngest volunteer to the oldest. If you have a clever idea for volunteering that does not endanger people or animals, we would love to hear it.

We continue to work towards finding homes for some of our long term animals. This year has been full of change. September brought us 21 puppies born at the shelter from three strays. While those pups were adopted out quickly, other pups have been here far too long. Your Guardian Angel contributions ensure that these “harder to adopt” animals have a chance to find a forever home.



Meet Titan who has just had one year at our shelter. This young man came in very scared and reactive, but now is the most loving, sweet pup. We found his owners but they refused to come and get him. He loves chew toys and can often be found walking with a toy Banana in his mouth. He has the best manners, completely house broken, does not jump or rush the door. This two year old boxer mix would make someone a lovely loyal companion. He requires socialization training for other dogs and some strangers.



**TITAN**



**SHAY**

This is Shay, not officially on the Angel list yet at only 282 days at the shelter. She is a tough little girl who does not like to be with other cats. Unfortunately, she is in our cat room and adopters think she is a bully. She loves people, but wants to be a one and only pet. This 1-year-old, domestic short hair would love to have a lap to call her own.



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# ADOPTED



Larry, Curly and Mo were brought to the shelter as one litter in 2017. None of them took to socialization. When we receive kittens it is our policy to work with them to get them into loving homes. We encourage our young volunteers to read to them to get them used to human voices.



Jasper is a 5-year-old terrier that has been at the shelter several times. He is a champion escape artist who prefers to be with people all the time. He first came to the shelter in 2020 and has been adopted twice since then.



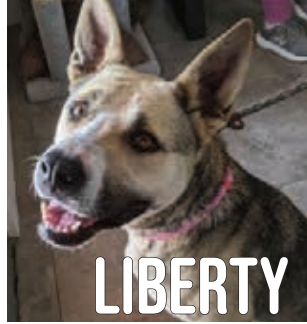
Chuck Norris was found on shelter grounds. We don't know if he was deposited here or visited from the dump. He is an older feral cat who joined our existing feral population and is living his best indoor life.



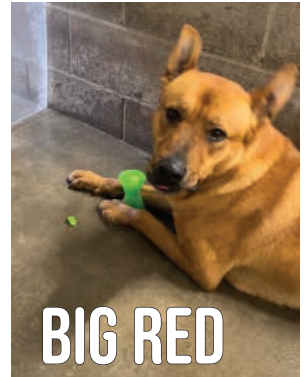
Athena was momma to a litter of 8 pups. She came to us in October with her sister Aurora. Athena gave birth the following day. All Athena's cute pups have been adopted but Momma is still at the shelter. She is a 1-year-old Anatolian Shepherd mix.



Powell is a 3-year-old American Staffordshire Terrier mix. He was brought to us as a healthy stray. This lovable tank wants someone to play fetch with and let him run.



Liberty is a 9-year-old Shepherd mix who was abandoned by her owners. She had been wandering outside for months before ending up at our shelter. She went home with a loving family.



Big Red was a favorite in the shelter. His only "downfall" was that he was a large dog. This lovable boy went home last year with a country boy that takes Red everywhere. Red loves it on the lake, he has a seat on the tractor and rides everywhere in the truck.



Sherman has been at the shelter for 13 years. He has a crinkly ear and we thought he would live his life at the shelter. He was adopted a few months ago to live his twilight years in a home.