

They, Too, Deserve a Happy New Year.



Don't Roll The Dice With An Animal's Life By Giving Him/Her As A Surprise Holiday Gift.



Yes, It Seems Like A Great Idea At First...

Before you get sucked into that idealized, greeting-card moment you envision, consider how many gifts are returned every year, because they aren't the right "fit", "color" or weren't what the recipient wanted in the first place. Consider how many gifts are forgotten about, ignored or simply thrown away. Now, consider how that plays out for an animal - a LIVING, BREATHING BEING WITH FEELINGS - when THEY are that unwanted gift. All the best intentions in the world can't make up for what "being unwanted" does to them.

A Dose Of Reality...

Not convinced? Think we're exaggerating or simply "making this stuff up"? Make a visit to your local city shelter in the days & weeks following the holidays. There, you will see the innocent faces of unwanted surprise gifts: puppies, kittens, dogs, cats & other furry friends. Many are animals someone spent a fortune on with a breeder, (as if "champion bloodlines" will somehow insure that they will be eagerly received.) Most of these "discarded gifts" will die a lonely, frightening death in those shelters, within days, simply because they weren't wanted. Welcome to the heart-breaking reality that we witness year after year.



There's A Better Way...

Taking responsibility for a pet - a life - is a very personal, monumental decision that each individual must make on their own. A creative alternative is to give a collar & leash, pet toys, maybe a "snazzy" doggie outfit. Give pre-paid lessons with an obedience trainer or a free first visit at a vet clinic. There are lots of positive ways to get the ball rolling. Help the potential pet owner do research or maybe talk to a veterinarian, so an informed decision can be made. Once the holiday "hustle-bustle" is over, there will be many, many wonderful animals in shelters & rescue groups who will be waiting for loving, permanent homes.



Have A Heart.

They Will Love You With All Of Theirs.

Save The Animals Rescue Society (STARS)

www.starspets.com; 972.459.9181

Frisco Humane Society

www.friscohumanesociety.com; 972.498.8980

Scottie Kingdom Rescue, Inc.

www.scottiekingdom.com; Rescue@scottiekingdom.com

Humane Animal Rescue Team (HART)

www.hartoftexas.org; 214.332.9535

Camp Wolfgang (German Shepherd Dog Rescue)

214.520.7000; www.campwolfgang.petfinder.com

DFW Cocker Spaniel Rescue

www.dfwcockerrescue.8m.com; 972.994.1133

Coppell Humane Society

www.coppellhumanesociety.com; 972.462.1121

Texas Tailwaggers Village Rescue

txtailwaggers@aol.com; txtailwaggers.petfinder.org

Shih Tzu Adoption & Rescue Society of Texas

1.866.546.5719; www.stars-of-texas.org

AlmostHome Dogz Rescue

www.almosthome.box49.com; 214.926.1521

Chihuahua Rescue and Transport, Inc.

www.chihuahua-rescue.org

North Texas Boston Terrier Club, Inc.

www.texasbostonians.com; btrescue@texasbostonians.com

Great Dane Angel Network Rescue

817.361.9855; www.daneangelnetwork.org

Labrador Retriever Rescue of North Texas

www.labrescuenorthtexas.org; 972.480.LABS (5227)

Tassie's Hope Animal Rescue

www.tassieshope.org; info@tassieshope.org

East Lake Pet Orphanage

214.349.ELPO (3576); www.elpo.org

SADIE Miniature Pinscher Rescue

www.sadie.petfinder.com; k9kids1@verizon.net

American Boston Terrier Rescue

972.407.4440; www.bostonterrierrescue.net

Flower Mound Humane Society

www.fmhs.org; 972.691.7387

Legacy Boxer Rescue, Inc.

www.savetheboxers.com; 1.877.5BOXERS

Southern Star MinPin Rescue

www.miniaturepinscherrescue.org

City Pet Rescue (CPR)

www.citypetrescue.com

Animal Rescue Klub (ARK)

www.animalrescueklub.org; 972.562.HELP

Miniature Schnauzer Rescue of North Texas

www.msrrnt.com; adopt@msrrnt.com

Dalmatian Rescue of North Texas

972.250.DALS; www.dalpal.com

North Texas Basset Hound Rescue, Inc.

www.bassetrescuedfw.com; 817.366.5649

Texas Animal Shelter Coalition

817.392.3737; www.sheltercoalition.com

Rescue Friends Coalition

www.rescuefriends.com; info@rescuefriends.com