

A close-up photograph of a medium-sized dog with brown and white fur, sitting in a wooden enclosure. The dog has large, upright ears and is looking directly at the camera with a calm expression. The background is slightly blurred, showing a dirt ground and a building. The text is overlaid on the bottom half of the image.

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DEAR FAAN VOLUNTEERS AND SUPPORTERS!

We are thrilled to present this first quarter edition of FAAN Magazine!

There is so much exciting news to share in this edition from our Groundbreaking Ceremony at the New Shelter to an expansion of our Community Education Program that has resulted in our extended reach of 3,291 students and adults so far this year!

In this edition, we are also pleased to announce new community partnerships including a new program, “Perros de Esperanza” with Social Vision to provide big dog love to patients at area hospitals. We are also adding new FAAN Affiliated businesses, veterinarians and volunteers every month who are joining the foundation on a transformational journey to tackle Cuenca’s homeless dog population and improve animal welfare in our World Heritage City.

While building the new and most modern shelter in Ecuador and South America is a priority, we are following our 2024 Roadmap with holistic and evidence-based strategies to tackle the underlying causes of animal abuse and abandonment. This roadmap includes rescue, education, prevention, and fostering a culture of adoption and animal kindness. Wait till you see the pups awaiting their Forever home this month!



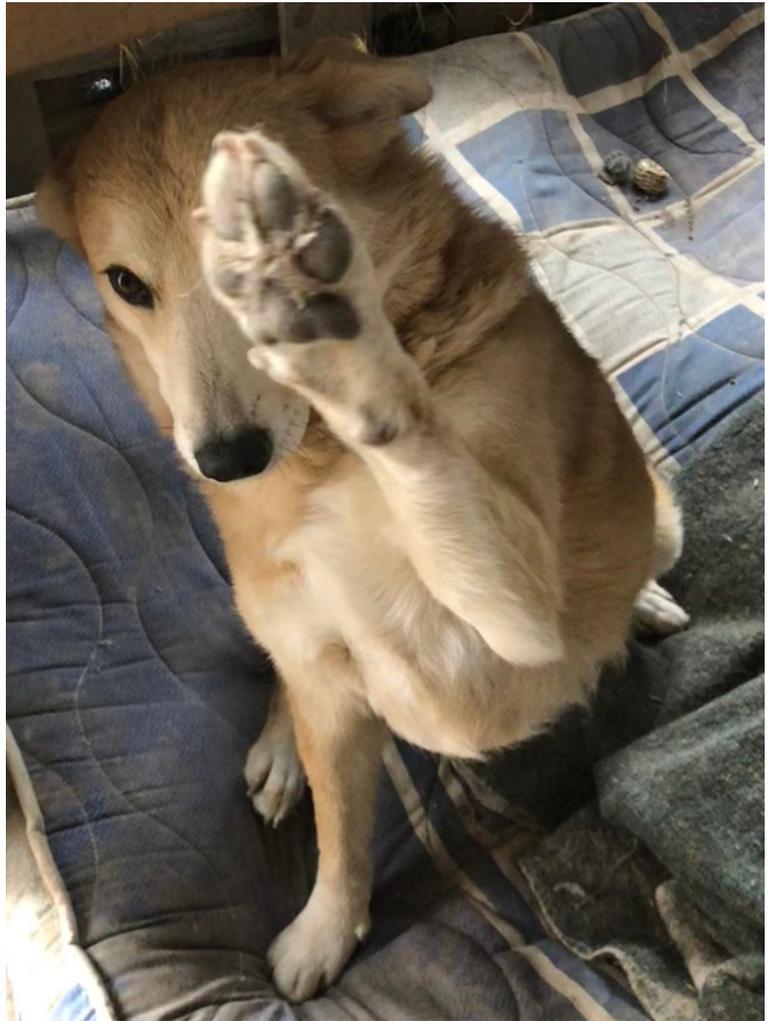
Jeko and Juan welcoming everyone
at the lower shelter

We won't kid you! It's a huge undertaking, particularly when your organization is both led and staffed by volunteers. We currently have just one employee who helps our President, Jose Gomez, named Cuenca's Hero of the Year with daily shelter operations.

This is why the foundation needs your support now more than ever as we enter the rigorous construction phase of the new shelter.

The great news is generous animal lovers are stepping forward to help, including an incredible \$10,000 matching grant where your donation is doubled for the Foundation. We are almost at goal for this campaign which will end in May. As a side note, you may designate your gift which will be matched by the grant to the shelter construction fund, our education program, sponsorship of a FAAN shelter dog care, or support of a neighborhood spay/neuter campaign through our community brigades.

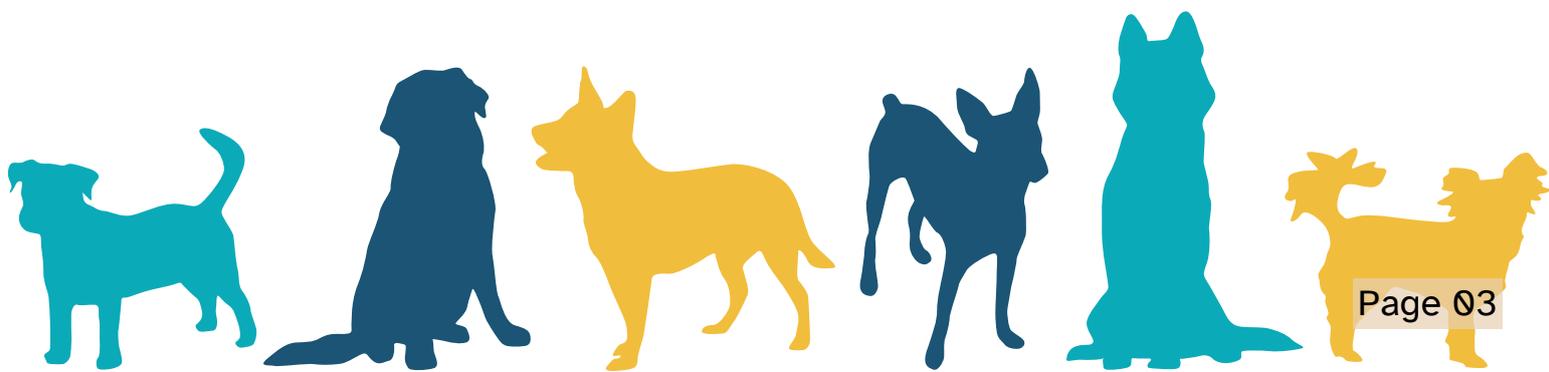
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Sara demonstrating how to give a helping paw for the constructions

So enjoy the April edition of FAAN Magazine. We have included tips for pet owners for leash training and other articles we hope will inspire you to join our mission. Our next edition will mark FAAN's 10 Year Anniversary!

With Dog Love,
The Volunteers and Dogs of FAAN



What's Happening

“Nobody can fully understand the meaning of love unless they’ve owned a dog.” – Gene Hill



ready to dive into the contents of
this magazine?

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DOGS, ART, LOVE SHOW AT **idiomART** casa creativa intercultural

FEB 15TH 2024



robin.

he has a calm and rather shy personality with new people, but once he gets to trust you he loves playing and having your attention.

shelter dog Robin and his art piece, a quilt crafted by Leah Bolger

What could be better than dogs, art and love in color and black and white? Cuenca Artist, Leah Bolger donated her collection of quilt art and magazine collage for Cuenca's new animal shelter with the unique matching and naming of each art piece in the collection named for a particular FAAN Shelter Dog by our volunteer, who knows each pup's unique personality well. Annika Schoett from Germany who works with the dogs of FAAN every week at the shelter curated the matched collection.

The three-week art show raised over \$1,000 in art sales and donations with the added benefit of inspiring another artist, Philip Hall to donate a collection of original photographs for the 2024 GALA FAAN-TASTICA Auction.

An Art History perspective on Dogs in Art throughout History was also featured and a collaborative art piece of FAAN's rescue dogs created for the shelter and exhibitions.

Greatest appreciation to Leah Bolger, Annika Schoett, idiomART and the FAAN-ATICS volunteers and supporters who showed Big Dog Love at this special exhibition.



a few more exhibition examples

GROUNDBREAKING AND NEW SHELTER UPDATE

MAR 16TH 2024

On March 16th, FAAN hosted a Groundbreaking event for the new shelter! Thanks to your support, last year we raised funds to purchase the land and now in 2024 construction begins.

This month's Construction and Home Show connected us with suppliers of building materials as we seek to create the most modern shelter in Cuenca and indeed South America.

We are encouraged by the support of local businesses to help us build as economically as we can through donations and materials at cost taking into consideration environmental sustainability. The total budget of the project will depend on what is donated and the discounted materials. Pro-formas are now being collected.

Did you know that Ecuador businesses receive a tax-credit for their donations? Join us in recruiting business partners who can donate time, talent, and materials to the project.

The Building committee is creating a staged construction process to prioritize construction of secure fencing and the kennels, followed by the core building components. Quite literally we will build each phase as we raise construction funds through our capital campaign.

If you have an interest in joining our Building Committee and/or have contacts for materials, please reach out to us at info@FAANecuador.org.



FAAN President José Gomez and Building Committee member Barry Rein doing the Groundbreaking



Ken Lucero, Roz Reymers, Rosemary Rein and Debra Rose cutting the ribbon



off to new lands!



ST. PATRICK'S DAY LUCK OF THE IRISH



MAR 17TH 2024

FAAN friends gathered at La Guarida Restaurant on St. Patrick's Day for traditional Irish Food, Music, an Irish Sweepstakes Raffle, and Entertainment by Wes, the amazing Mentalist. What Community Shenanigans and we raised \$1,830 for the new shelter construction!

La Guarida has been a great FAAN-affiliated Business Partner and is now recognized as a member of the Gold Paws Circle of Benefactors through sponsorship of three FAAN events and procurement of donated food for our shelter dogs.

Becoming a FAAN Business Partner...

has benefits above and beyond philanthropy. FAAN-ATICS love to patronize businesses that demonstrate civic responsibility and the foundation uses co-branding to promote FAAN Business Partners in our magazine and social media.

For information on becoming a FAAN affiliated business, contact us at info@faanecuador.org



a menu of great variety was offered by the restaurant



the La Guarida team



the organizers, Rosemary and Barry Rein



CONSTRUCTION EXPO AND HOME SHOW

APRIL 4TH-7TH



FAAN had an incredible opportunity to be the featured non-profit organization at the 2024 Feria de La Construcción Vivienda y Decoración, reaching Ecuadorian suppliers of construction and building materials and attendees of this construction and design show. The Education Team did an amazing job engaging families in FAAN's mission through interactive games and activities while distributing information on responsible pet care. Meanwhile, the Building Committee created relationships for constructing the new shelter.

This was truly a team effort with the exhibition staffed by Ecuadorians and Expats. Our volunteers also turned out as FAAN Ambassadors at a packed Red Carpet exhibition opening.

Special thanks to Janet Engelhard, FAAN's official photographer, and Nickolas and Deb McKenzie who created FAAN's Video of the new shelter project and the Foundation's mission. [Click here for the video!](#)



starting off the show with a red carpet event



FAAN president with volunteers Sebastian Ojeda and Annika Schoett



the education team provided coloring books for the younger visitors



HIGH SCHOOL STUDENTS TACKLE CUENCA'S ANIMAL WELFARE PROBLEMS

FAAN continues to develop its K-12 Educational Program with the addition of its Assembly Program based on youth advocacy for the higher grade levels.

The Assembly Program engages students, within groups, in Creative Problem Solving (CPS) methodology inspiring them to create innovative solutions to Cuenca's animal welfare challenges. A focus is on FAAN's Four Challenges which directly involves them in advocacy for responsible pet care.

Questions based on FAAN's Four Challenges:

1. In what ways can we reduce Cuenca's homeless dog population?
2. In what ways can we create a culture of adoption?
3. In what ways can we promote responsible pet care?
4. In what ways can we mobilize resources and volunteers for FAAN?

FAAN is delighted that by introducing this process to high school students, it gives them a tool for navigating and solving any problem they may face within their lives in general or their future professional lives. Over 200 innovative solutions to FAAN's Four Challenges have been collected so far from participating students and are now under review for implementation. Truly the next generation holds the key.



students of the lower grades presenting their ideas and solutions at

Alborada high school

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In addition to the CPS program, schools may participate in a month-long service project where classes “adopt” a shelter dog and compete with other classes, collecting money, food, and supplies for their pup thus creating an interest in adoption. Students receive a personalized letter from their FAAN dog to create familiarity and promote bonding, and to encourage advocacy for their rescue dog. The class that collects the most support for their pup will win a field trip to the FAAN shelter.

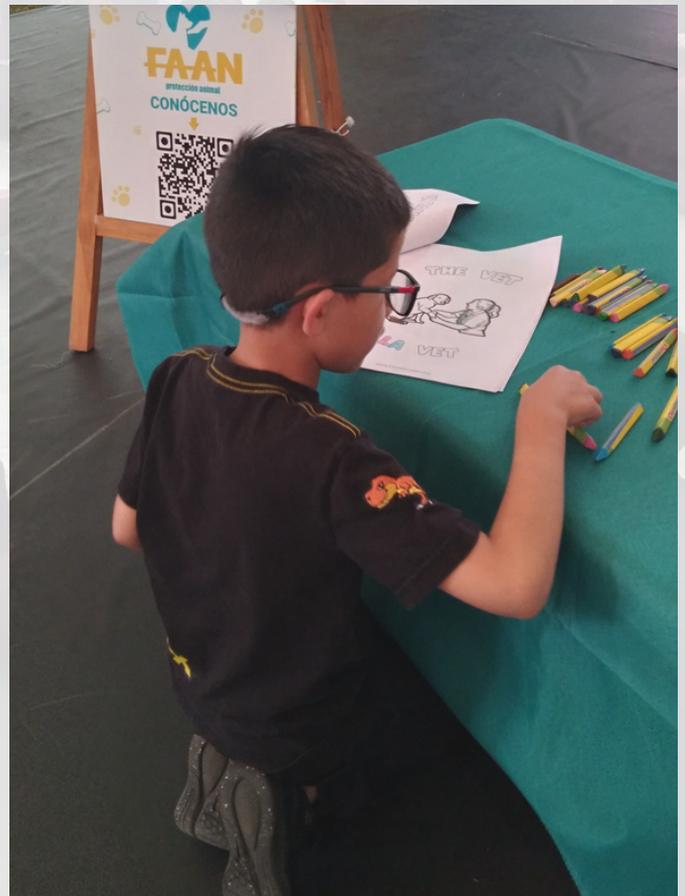
Response to this program from students and educators has been overwhelming, and the Education Program is thrilled to have it round out our student-centered curricula, now preschool through High School.

Support FAAN’s Education Program!

FAAN's program and curricula materials were developed by professional educators volunteering their expertise to help FAAN realize its mission and vision.

FAAN is looking for Education Advocates to sponsor the printing of curricula materials. If you believe education has the power to change hearts and minds, please consider donating to our Education Fund. You can donate on our website at FAANecuador.org, specify “Education Fund”; or contact us directly at: info@FAANecuador.org Join us in making Cuenca The City that Cares.

See next month’s magazine for an article on FAAN’s complete Education Program.



kids are loving FAAN’s coloring books

VOLUNTEER SPOTLIGHT DEREK AND KERRI

Derek and Kerri retired to Cuenca from Texas with Jameson in September 2023. Jameson, 11, has also decided to retire. Derek and Kerri both held sales & marketing roles within global 500 organizations. They are avid foster failures, maxing out at one point with 4 dogs back in Texas.



Derek and Kerri are bringing their expertise in sales and marketing to bring FAAN's mission to animal lovers worldwide.

Do you have a superpower from your life before Cuenca? Our Dogs need the skills of organizational and project leaders for our many community-based projects. The great thing about volunteering with FAAN is you make your own hours so you can both help the dogs and enjoy the good life in destination Cuenca.

NEW FEATURED FAAN BUSINESS PARTNERS

FAAN is pleased to feature el Dorado Hotel, Fogo, El Dorado Panaderia Pasterleria, Goda Restaurant, Bocatti and Charito as affiliated business partners.

Food security is a critical issue for FAAN that calls for sourcing of sustainable food sources. Our partnership with these generous hotels and restaurants allows for us to pick up fresh food each week, screened for toxic ingredients that would otherwise be wasted.

FAAN Partners with Area Businesses

FAAN *El Dorado* hotel

Charito

Bocatti

FAAN WELCOMES
EL DORADO HOTEL, FOGO, PANADERIA
PASTELERIA, GODA RESTAURANT,
BOCATTI AND CHARITO

Fogo

Insider's Tip: Check out El Dorado's Romantic Suite Getaways, Executive Lunch, New Meeting Space and SPA! The FAAN-ATICS for sure will be planning an event and spa day this year at these great gathering places.

MASTERING LEASH TRAINING

A GUIDE TO STRENGTHENING THE BOND WITH YOUR CANINE COMPANION

Leash training is not just about controlling your dog's movements; it's a vital aspect of building a strong bond between you and your furry friend. Whether you have a playful pup or a mature dog, mastering leash training can make your walks enjoyable and safe for both of you. Here we'll explore the importance of leash training and provide practical tips to help you and your canine companion become a harmonious walking team.

Understanding the Importance of Leash Training:

Leash training serves multiple purposes beyond simple control. It teaches your dog discipline, reinforces obedience, and enhances safety during walks. Additionally, leash training provides mental stimulation and physical exercise, contributing to your dog's overall well-being. Moreover, it fosters a deeper connection between you and your pet, as you work together to navigate the world outside.

Getting Started:

Before embarking on leash training, ensure you have the right equipment. Choose a *well-fitting collar or preferably a harness along with a sturdy leash appropriate for your dog's size and strength. Introduce these items gradually, allowing your dog to become familiar and comfortable with them.



Leash-training has many benefits for your dog

*A harness may be the better choice for training your dog. Dog breeders and vets point out that a collar potentially places serious pressure on a dog's most delicate and vulnerable anatomy: the trachea, esophagus, thyroid gland, and cervical vertebrae. If your dog initially pulls hard on the leash or you need to give a quick tug, it could cause damage to one or more of these body parts.

Basic Training Techniques:

1. **Start Indoors:** Begin training indoors or in a familiar, low-distraction environment. Attach the leash to your dog's collar or harness and let them explore while you hold the other end. Use treats and praise to encourage positive associations with the leash.
2. **Loose Leash Walking:** Teach your dog to walk politely on a loose leash by rewarding them for walking beside you without pulling. Use verbal cues like "heel" or "let's go" to guide their behavior. Whenever your dog pulls, stop walking and wait for them to relax the tension before moving forward again.
3. **Focus and Engagement:** Maintain your dog's focus during walks by periodically rewarding them for making eye contact or checking in with you. This reinforces their connection to you as their leader and enhances their responsiveness to commands.
4. **Practice Patience:** Leash training takes time and patience, so be consistent and rather than punishing your dog for mistakes, instead, focus on positive reinforcement. Praise will encourage desired behaviors.
5. **Gradual Exposure:** Introduce new environments and distractions gradually as your dog becomes more proficient with leash walking. Start with quiet streets or parks before progressing to busier areas.

Common Challenges and Solutions:

- **Pulling:** If your dog pulls on the leash, stop walking and wait for them to return to your side before continuing. You can also try changing direction or using a gentle tug to redirect their focus back to you.
- **Distractions:** Maintain your dog's attention during walks by using high-value treats or toys as rewards. Practice training exercises in different environments to desensitize them to distractions gradually.
- **Reactivity:** If your dog exhibits reactive behavior towards other dogs or stimuli, work on desensitization and counterconditioning techniques under the guidance of a professional trainer.

Conclusion: Leash training is an essential skill for every dog owner, fostering obedience, safety, and mutual trust between you and your canine companion. By employing patience, consistency, and positive reinforcement, you can transform your walks into enjoyable bonding experiences for both you and your furry friend. Remember, the journey of leash training is as rewarding as the destination, so embrace each step with love and understanding.

VOLUNTEER SPOTLIGHT JACK OSBORNE

I'm Jack Osborne, I'm 15 years old, and I'm from the United States. I've lived in Cuenca, Ecuador, with my family for five years. I have a rescue dog named Fernando that I adopted around 4 years ago, and he is one of the best dogs ever! I am volunteering to help even more dogs find their forever homes.

Within FAAN, I've found opportunities to hone my design skills through creating social media posts for FAAN, and I have also had the opportunity to contribute to research projects, including creating spreadsheets, while working with like-minded people. While editing the new FAAN website, I was able to expand my editing skills. Overall, through my experience working with FAAN, I have been able to greatly expand my skillset while contributing to a cause that is important to me.



VOLUNTEER JOB POSTINGS FOR FAAN

We have some exciting volunteer positions now open at the Foundation.

Learn why we were voted the best Volunteer Experience in Gringo Post this year. We offer training, onboarding, and a chance to work with really fun and cool animal lovers. We also recognize the need for flexibility, for schedules and travel.

Gala FAAN-TASTICA "Old Hollywood" October 5th

Yes, Cuenca's Charity Event of the Year is months away but we have already started event planning. The following committees are now forming.

- Night of Gala Volunteers for the Auction, Fashion Show
- Silent and Live Auction
- Ticket Administration
- Design of the 2024 Gala Program
- Gala Publicity and Marketing
- Design Gala Décor and Theme



Foundation Administration

The foundation now has a donated office located in Zona Rosa that serves as a hub and training center for our volunteers. Here are some of the volunteer jobs available.

- Donor Data Base Management
- US 501 C-3 Administration
- Volunteer Coordinator
- Event Management
- Canva Design of Media and Materials
- Policy and Procedures Manual
- Photography and Videography

Ambassadors/Bi-Lingual Volunteers

- The foundation is always in need of translators and bilingual volunteers who can support our business and government partnerships and help with translation.

Perros de Esperanza

- If you have a pet who was just born to be a therapy dog, consider signing up you and your pup for our Perros de Esperanza program. We will bring big dog lovers to patients at Cuenca's hospitals. Vetting of candidates will be held on the first Saturday in May at 10 AM at Parque de la Madre. This is a great way for you and your pup to volunteer with FAAN.

Write us at info@FAANEcuador.org for an application and/or reserve to attend a FAAN Volunteer Orientation at Fabianos on Gran Colombia May 7th at 7 PM

Work at the Shelter

- Our current and new shelter is located in Tarqui. If you would like to work directly caring for our pups on a regular basis, we will work out a schedule. The shelter is about 50 minutes outside of Cuenca

Community Brigades

- Work in patrolling your own neighborhood and supporting community dog care. You will be recruiting vets, businesses and neighbors in your community to collectively care for street dogs and arrange for needed medical attention, spay/neuter clinics as well as fostering.

Community Education

- Join our Community Education team that works both in schools and at community events to promote responsible pet education.



boyscouts supporting FAAN at various events

OWNEY THE POSTAL DOG

Owney was a mixed-breed Border Collie who was owned by a postmaster in Albany, New York. He is remembered as one of the most significant dogs in history. After spending a significant amount of time at the post office with his owner, he eventually began traveling on trains with the mail, traveling over 140,000 miles on mail trains throughout his postal career (Smithsonian, 2012). Over these hundreds of trips, he received a dog tag at each post office or train station he visited as well as numerous medals. It is estimated that he may have received as many as 1,017 medals and tags in his lifetime, though many of these have been lost over time.

He was also considered an unofficial mascot of the U.S. Railway Mail Service, and a pet to many postmasters across the nation and even the globe (Smithsonian Magazine, 2013). In this way, he was a community dog; he was a pet in addition to providing companionship to postmasters across the country and even around the world. They in return, cared for him on his travels.



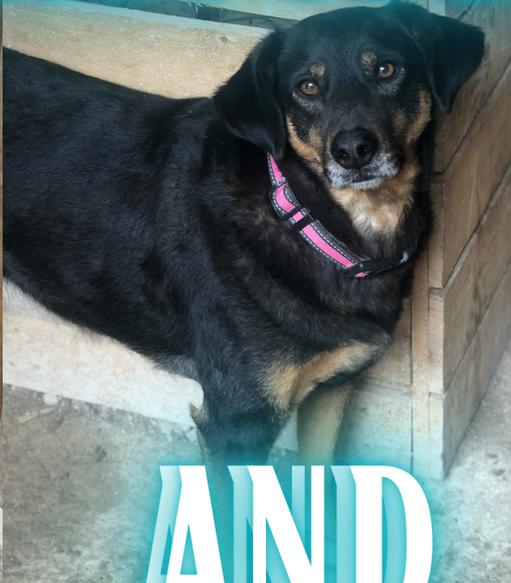
Owney with his tags and medals

Owney was significant to the postal service for a variety of reasons. In addition to being considered the unofficial mascot of the U.S. Railway Mail Service, he was a good-luck charm to postmasters; no train that Owney rode on ever derailed (Postmasters Advocate, 2011). Because of this, he was welcome in every post office across the nation, and even abroad! In 1895, Owney traveled around the world on mail trains and boats, visiting areas from New York City to Japan to the Middle East (Los Angeles Times, 1895). During these trips, he received several medals and two passports from the Emperor of Japan. This would go on record as his most well-known trip. During this voyage, he became a community dog to the entire world, visiting dozens of post offices and meeting hundreds of postmasters.

Eventually, in 2011, Owney was honored with his own limited-edition postage stamp, a token of recognition for his service with the postal service (USPS, 2010). In 2012, Jerry Rees wrote *Owney: Tales from the Rails*, an award-winning book, to recount Owney's many travels (National Postal Museum, date unknown).

Owney led a life not only as a traveler but as a companion and good luck charm for hundreds of postmasters across the country. Owney is an early example where a dog provides community care through companionship. Thanks to FAAN, Owney's legacy lives on, with community dogs becoming more and more common in our city of Cuenca.

RESCUES



AND



ADOPTIONS



RESCUES



Sally

Rescued by FAAN from a Tarqui dirt road from being completely trapped in barbed wire, she was taken to the vet where she got the necessary treatment (and a haircut). Now she is ready for her forever home, this playful, energetic and affectionate girl loves cuddles and attention. She gets super excited when she sees people and brightens up everyone's day.



Hope and her puppies

This loving dog mother was found with her eight puppies in the countryside. Completely malnourished and starved, she was taken in by FAAN and brought to the vet, where they removed eight maggots that had been underneath the skin of her lower back. Saying that you could see her ribs is an understatement, she was so thin that her waist was only as wide as her spine bone. She used the only food she ever had to feed her puppies, who because of that got a chance to develop normally. It is a miracle that she survived, which is why she was given the name Hope. Now she's been recovering in the shelter for the past four weeks and has already gained some weight. Her puppies will be ready for adoption in about a month.



ADOPTIONS



Maite

Our sweet Maite was adopted to join fellow FAAN dog Chester (formerly known as Luigi), at his home after he was feeling alone being the only dog there. We picked her up in Tarqui and took her to her new place in Paute after a quick checkup at the vet. She was happy to be back with her friend and loved her new territory! Maite, we wish you and your new family all the best!



Mamie

After all she's been through, with having to be given up by her previous owners for her reputation as a chicken killer and the danger of being poisoned by the neighbors because of it, we can happily say that a new family has adopted the loving Mamie! She will finally have a forever home with no more chickens and a great future ahead.



Chloe

Last but not least, the recently rescued Chloe has found a foster family that will take care of her until she's adopted! This calm, a little shy girl is super sweet once she gets to know you, is low maintenance and gets along well with other dogs. Thanks to her foster parents, she will have a loving home until she finds her forever one.





Macho
4 meses
raza mestizo



Macho
1 año
raza mestizo



we were found
next to the
highway,
malnourished
and starved.

ADOPT US

now we are
looking for a
forever home
where we are
cared for with a
lot of affection.

Macho
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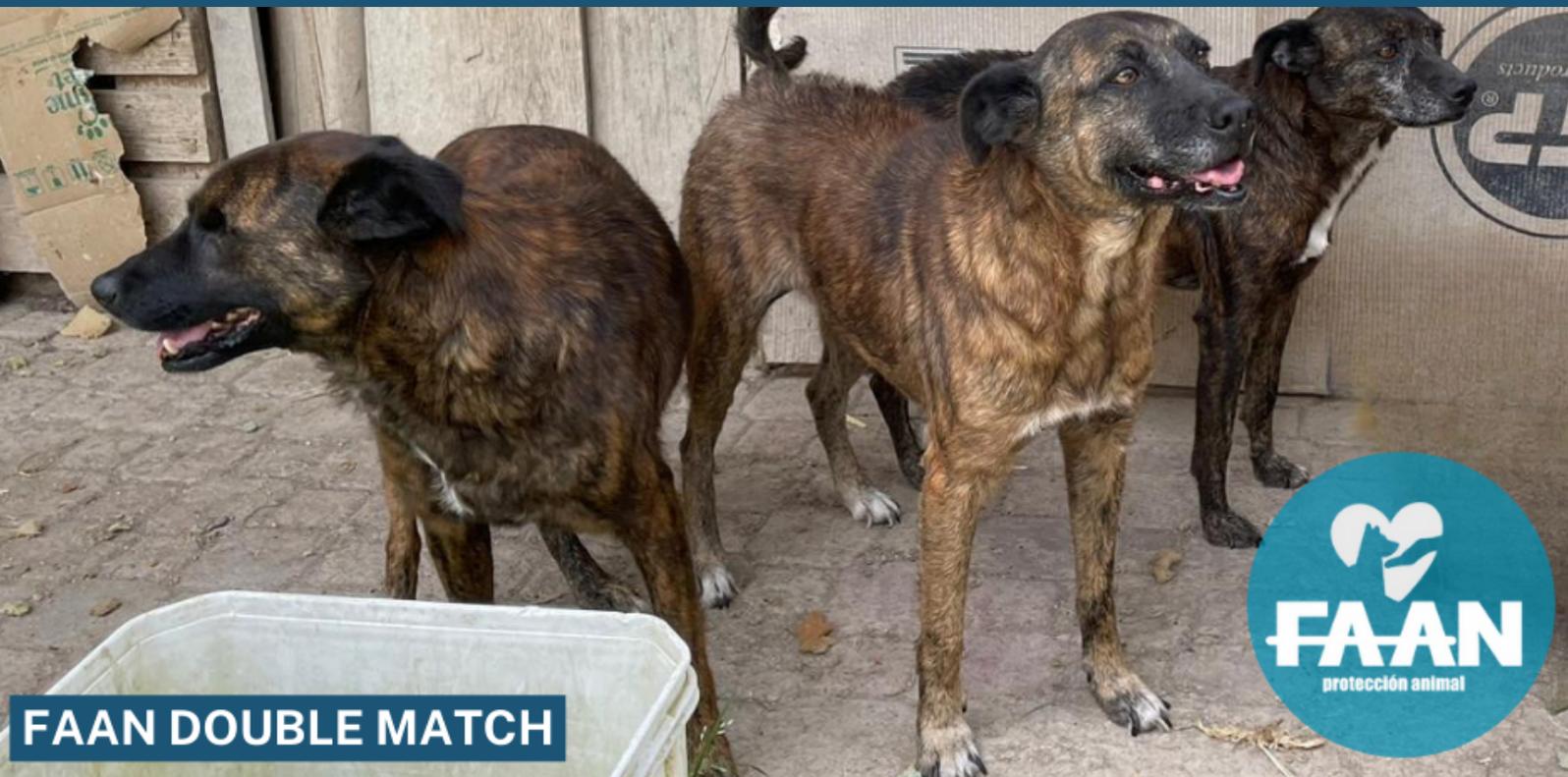


Hembra
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FAAN DOUBLE MATCH



Double your impact on our furry friends as we build the first, most modern animal shelter in South America!

Every dollar you donate will be doubled for the new shelter construction in Cuenca/Tarqui by an animal-loving donor.

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Help us double the impact on Ecuador's homeless and abused animals.

- \$10 becomes \$20
- \$100 becomes \$200
- \$500 becomes \$1,000

through this special \$10,000 matching grant!

TO SPREAD HOPE AND LOVE TO HOSPITAL PATIENTS

**See if your Pet Qualifies as a Volunteer
on Saturday May 4th at Parque de La Madre**

FAAN is pleased to partner with our friends at Social Vision to spread animal love and hope to patients at Cuenca's Hospitals. The program known as Perros de Esperanza will begin in May with the vetting and training of dogs who with their owners will spread love and hope to patients at Cuenca's Hospitals once certified by FAAN and Social Vision.

This program began with the vision of Jim and Jennifer Cory who through Social Vision have been working tirelessly to bring much-needed medicine and medical services to those who cannot afford medical care .

The couple's pet, Teddy was certified in the US as a Therapy Dog and Jim continues to work with Teddy's ongoing training. Teddy was our first test case for approval by hospital administrators.

FAAN hopes that one or two of our shelter dogs will qualify for the program but we are also inviting pet owners in Cuenca to participate in the vetting selection. If your pup is assessed as a match for the program on Saturday, May 5th at Parque de la Madre at 10 AM, training will be provided and then tested in a hospital environment.

A volunteer schedule will be flexible for Perros de Esperanza. If you and your pet would like to be considered as volunteers for the program contact info@FAAN Ecuador.org.



Jim and Teddy with a smiling patient



Teddy getting a treat from a patient

SATURDAY OCTOBER 5TH AT ESTANCIA ROSARIO

**SAVE
THE
DATE**



Mark your calendars to be in Cuenca the first weekend in October for the return of Cuenca's Charity Event of the Year "Gala FAAN-TASTICA".

There's a reason why Gringo Post Readers voted this event for both Best Charity Event and Best Volunteer Experience. Last year's event included flowing champagne, food galore and incredible entertainment as well as an exciting silent auction. We can classify this as a major success as we raised \$30,000 for the Foundation to build Cuenca's first and most modern animal shelter.

This October we are pulling out all of the stops with some real surprises, bringing back the glamor of Old Hollywood! Details of the event and tickets will go on sale at our Christmas in July Event at idiomART.

Plan now to be part of Cuenca's Charity Event of the Year:

- Mark your Calendars for October 5th and invite your VIP Table of 8! As a Table Ambassador, you receive extra perks and can name your table after an Old Hollywood Movie classic and even dress the part.
- Join a Gala Volunteer Committee! Some of the most rewarding friendships were forged this year as small teams of volunteers worked on the Gala between July and October. We know how to work as well as PAW-TY.

This is a great way to volunteer virtually and/or in person to plan the party of the year. Working sessions are held at various Cuenca homes and restaurants.

Committees include Tickets, Marketing and Social Media, Silent Auction, Live Auction, Décor and Design, Event Administration,

To sign up as a Gala Volunteer, write info@FAANecuador.org

MEET YOUR 2024 GALA CO-CHAIRS!

Mark moved to Cuenca in January of 2023.

He spent his early years in Bolivia and Peru before living in Delaware, Massachusetts and Texas. Before moving to Cuenca, Mark lived in Austin, Texas. He was a Director of Photography for a production company in Texas, and has been a professional photographer for 45 years. He retired to Cuenca to enjoy Ecuador and its people while capturing their beauty on film.



Mark Thomas and Cheryl Rimes

Cheryl moved to Cuenca as well in January of 2023.

A native Texan, born and raised in San Antonio she lived in Austin, Texas before moving to Cuenca. Cheryl had 25 years of advertising and marketing experience before becoming a high school history teacher for 17 years. Cheryl is rediscovering her artistic talents in this amazing unique city.

They are both thrilled to participate in the planning of this year's gala for FAAN.

THREE EASY WAYS TO DONATE

We have a variety of ways to donate to FAAN which you can find on our donations page. <https://www.faanecuador.org/donations.html>

1. In Cuenca: Secure Cash Pick-up by a FAAN Volunteer

2. Deposit in Banco Pichincha.

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*Cuenta: 2208541490

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3. To receive a US Tax-Deduction,

make your check payable to our umbrella US 501-C-3 organization (Notate FAAN Shelter) located in the United States

Mail to:

Amici Cannis USA

C/O Wolfe, Van Ackern & Stephenson LLP

1008 Centre Ave

Ft. Collins, Colorado 80526

Indicate: Your donation to FAAN/Shelter

Account 1000-817-9654

FEIN# 46-5202586

or click this link for a quick credit card donation!

your donation is doubled through May 2024!



For Help and Questions
Contact Rosemary
info@FAANecuador.org



About the Organization

We believe...

...all animals including those of pet owners, community dogs and street dogs deserve to be respected and cared for by the collective community.

We are helping Cuenca become known as the "The City That Cares about Animal Welfare".

Our Mission and Benefits to the Community

Education - Reducing abuse and raising awareness of animal well-being and creating a culture of adoption.

Spay, Neuter and Release - Working with a network of community veterinarians and partners in campaigns to reduce the animal over-population and create community brigades of care for Cuenca's street dogs.

Shelter, Adoption and Refuge - Getting at-risk, senior and medically challenged dogs off the street and into forever homes, with sanctuary in a safe and modern shelter for the most vulnerable dogs.

Care - Improving nutrition, medical treatment, training with a large dose of love for Cuenca's animal population.



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HOW TO BECOME A FAAN AND HELP CUENCA'S HOMELESS DOGS

Donate

Join our Paws Circle of Benefactors with your one-time gift to our building fund or a monthly donation for dog/God parenting of one of our shelter dogs. We also have an Heir of the Dog Program for FAAN's sustainability that allows you to make a pledge with your final estate plans.

Foster and/or Adopt:

We have so many wonderful dogs deserving a home of their own. Please consider serving as a FAAN Foster/Emergency Home or adopting a Forever Friend. We will work with you through the process beginning with an adoption application and interview and have you meet some of our very adoptable pups who are just waiting to meet you!

Volunteer with us:

Discover why we were rated by Best of Gringo Post as the Best Volunteer Opportunity with many ways to apply your superpowers. From Education to working on our Gala FAAN-TASTICA Committee to Community Brigades and Working at the Shelter or Business Office, we welcome your talent and time of donated volunteer service.

Attend our FAAN-ATIC Events:

We know how to PAW-TY. Gala FAAN-TASTICA was voted Cuenca's Event of the Year and we plan other events including Christmas in July that allow you to connect with other animal lovers, have fun and help the rescue dogs of FAAN.

However, you can lend a hand and resources, you will be making a difference and helping Cuenca become known as "The City that Cares" about Animal Welfare.