



***We can't change
their past,
But we can
rewrite their future.***

April, 2022

The Hallie Hill Howler

Your Dog is 'Talking' to You, Are You Listening?



One of my favorite things to do at the sanctuary is to meet and get to know our potential adopters. Some are seasoned dog guardians, others are adding to 'their pack' and some are first time pet parents. No matter what the situation, everyone is equally excited to be welcoming a new dog into their homes and into their hearts. We work together to find the very best fit for their lifestyle and for their family. Nothing makes me happier than to see it all come together and to confidently send one of our loved residents home.

It's so exciting to prepare for your new dog's homecoming. So much to think about and to buy. A cozy new bed, a crate, a collar, leash and properly fitted harness, nutritious food, toys, just to name a few. There's something else you can do to prepare, something that will strengthen your relationship and make both of you happy. Learn to listen to what your dog is saying! Yup, your dog is talking to you, all the time. Don't you feel better when you're understood? So will your dog. If you learn to read your dog's body language and what they are communicating by their actions, it will change the way you interact with them, let you know what they are feeling and it may prevent something unfavorable from happening.

When a dog wags its tail it's happy, right? Yes, sometimes, but not always. Tail position and movement, or lack of, can tell you if a dog is happy, curious, being submissive, agitated or signaling aggression. Dogs communicate to us that they are feeling anxious or stressed by yawning (out of the context of sleep), lifting a paw, licking their lips (without food being involved), panting, excessive shedding (have you noticed how much your dog sheds at the vet?), turning their head, the list goes on! Growling is a form of communication that you never want to punish. A growl is telling you that your dog is uncomfortable and wants you (or something) to stop or he may have to take things further.

Just from these few examples you can see how much your dog has to say! Situations just don't happen out of the blue, your dog is giving you a heads up. You owe it to them to learn their language, advocate for them and to always have their back. Your bond will be that much stronger!

-Michele Griffin, Assistant Director HHAS, CPDT-KA

Michele recommends these additional resources:

Books: *Doggie Language* by Lili Chin or *On Talking Terms with Dogs* by Turid Rugaas Website: www.drmartybecker.com OR email Michele at adoptions@halliehill.com for additional suggestions.

Volunteer Spotlight

Dealing with Grief in Animal Welfare



As the director of Hallie Hill, one of the most difficult parts of my job is making end-of-life decisions. My first year at the sanctuary, I fell in love with a white lab mix named Timmy. His photograph is hanging in the bunkhouse. He was an absolute joy to be around. ‘Best dog ever’ could easily describe him. As he aged, he developed joint issues as well as congestive heart failure. I was so upset when we agreed that it was time to let him go, that I questioned whether I had the mettle to handle this job. Could I continue working with so many seniors knowing that as they age, and their care becomes more intensive, they would become even more enmeshed in my heart? I had to realize that we are here for them. Our job is to love them and then have the strength to accept the pain of eventually letting them go. We say we can’t change an animal’s past. We don’t know what they endured before arriving at the sanctuary, but we want to ensure that each animal experiences love and compassion in their time here at Hallie Hill.

Anyone who has worked in animal welfare at a shelter has faced the heartbreak of having to say goodbye to the animals that pass through. Assistant Director, Michele Griffin, could tell you heart wrenching stories of her time at open intake shelters. She has my utmost respect for handling what she experienced with such grace and strength. Here at Hallie Hill we are extremely lucky that we are not faced with having to euthanize healthy animals. We only euthanize animals who do not have a good quality of life. The staff discusses physical and behavioral changes and we try to determine if the animal is having more good days than bad. We confer with our vets to determine if the time has come. Life is precious, so we don’t want to cheat any animal out of even one good day, but we also don’t want to allow any of our residents to suffer.

I have to take this opportunity to thank all of the staff and volunteers for opening their hearts to the residents of HH and making sure they experience love. Sometimes we share tears of joy when they are adopted and sometimes, we experience grief after their passing. It should remind us to treasure each moment we have with the very special animals that reside here at the sanctuary.

-Jennifer Middleton, Executive Director, HHAS

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Daniela

Katie

Michelle

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Many thanks to John and Judith Byrnes
For allowing Hallie Hill to be a sponsor of this exciting event!

We are seeking ARTIST VENDORS for this event, especially those whose work includes animals! Please apply today at <https://www.halliehill.com/aaa-artistapp/>

HALLIE HILL ANIMAL SANCTUARY PRESENTS



Sunday, May 15th, 10am - 2pm

*Founders Hall at Charles Towne Landing
1500 Old Towne Rd, Charleston, SC 29407*

Featuring a classic car show, silent art auction, food trucks, adorable adoptable dogs... and more!

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To learn more and to register a classic automobile in the show, please go to [halliehill.com/aaa](https://www.halliehill.com/aaa)



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Sweet Juliet (now Piper), adopted in May 2021, is "spoiled rotten and loved so much!" Piper, her mom and brother Baron, enjoyed their first RV trip together leaving Summerville in October and returning just a few weeks ago.

🐾 "Dodger is SO GREAT! He's such an easy pup, we still can't believe it. He has been the perfect addition to our family. ❤️"



"Hallie, adopted 11/4/2021 from you is getting her sea legs. She is very much bonded with Buddy Junior. Today we are at the veterinary dentist getting some dental work done for her. She might even get new crowns on her teeth. She seems to now understand that the outside is for potty. The white tummy fur that was shaved for her mammary glands surgery last fall has grown back completely. We took her on one road trip with Buddy Junior and she's a very good traveler. She seems happy with us and we love her very much!"



Hallie



Do you remember little "Baby?" She was found by a vacationing couple on a Sunday last September and was brought to the sanctuary. She had horrible skin and was covered with scabs. The couple went home to Virginia. They decided they wanted to adopt Baby and had vacationing friends pick her up to bring her "home."

Baby, now Charlie, is doing great and has blossomed into a beautiful girl! Her adopters, Rob and Cynthia, are so appreciative of the work we all do here at Hallie Hill.

Adoption
Pup-dates!



Atlas is doing great in his new home!

Baylee (now Birdie)

"I just wanted to thank you for bringing Birdie (formally Baylee) into my life. I can't believe it's been a year! She has turned out to be an amazing little girl, full of self-confidence and love. She gets along well and rules with my Cardigan, who adores her also! She came to me a year ago today. (3.12.21) Keep up your wonderful work!"



Summerville, something big is here!

Feel the Love Event
February 11th - March 6th

Your Summerville Pet Supermarket is hosting a can drive to benefit Hallie Hill Animal Sanctuary. Customers who donate five or more cans in a single purchase will be entered to win a gift basket from Pet Supermarket. *





Thank You Summerville Pet Supermarket!

Hallie Hill is so appreciative
of your donations!

The 'Feel the Love' Event held by
the Summerville Pet Supermarket
raised \$718.60 and 633 cans of food
for the cats and dogs of Hallie Hill!






Hallie Hill
animal Sanctuary

\$718.60

633 cans total in
DONATIONS









Hallie Hill believes in the Five Freedoms



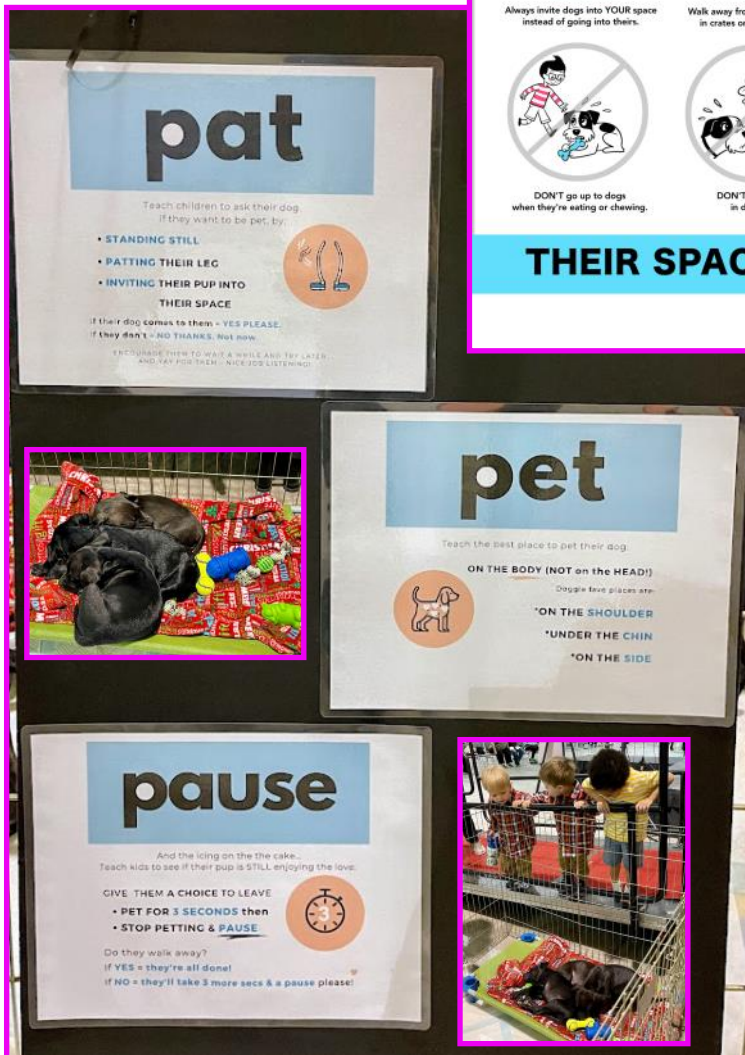


1. **Freedom from hunger and thirst**
by ready access to fresh water and diet to maintain health and vigor
2. **Freedom from discomfort**
by providing an appropriate environment including shelter and a comfortable resting area.
3. **Freedom from pain, injury or disease**
by prevention or rapid diagnosis and treatment
4. **Freedom to express normal behavior**
by providing sufficient space, proper facilities and company of the animal's own kind
5. **Freedom from fear and distress**
by ensuring conditions and treatment which avoid mental suffering

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Hallie Hill
(TY Michele Griffin!)
shared this
wonderful
information at
Kids Club Live!
Approaching all
dogs safely is an
important skill
for children (and
adults) to learn!





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Saturday, April 9th
Hanahan Amphitheater
12 to 6 pm

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JAY VAN RAALTE & THE SPECTRUM
SEAN KEEFER

Hallie Hill
invites you to
join us for the
best music
event
happening in
April!

**Come listen to
the great live
music and visit
with adoptable
dogs! It's a
WIN-WIN!**

**See you
there!**

Join Hallie Hill at Firefly Distillery

Saturday, April 16th
for the monthly
Adopt and Shop Event!
Food, Libations,
Dogs and Music!
It will be a fun afternoon!



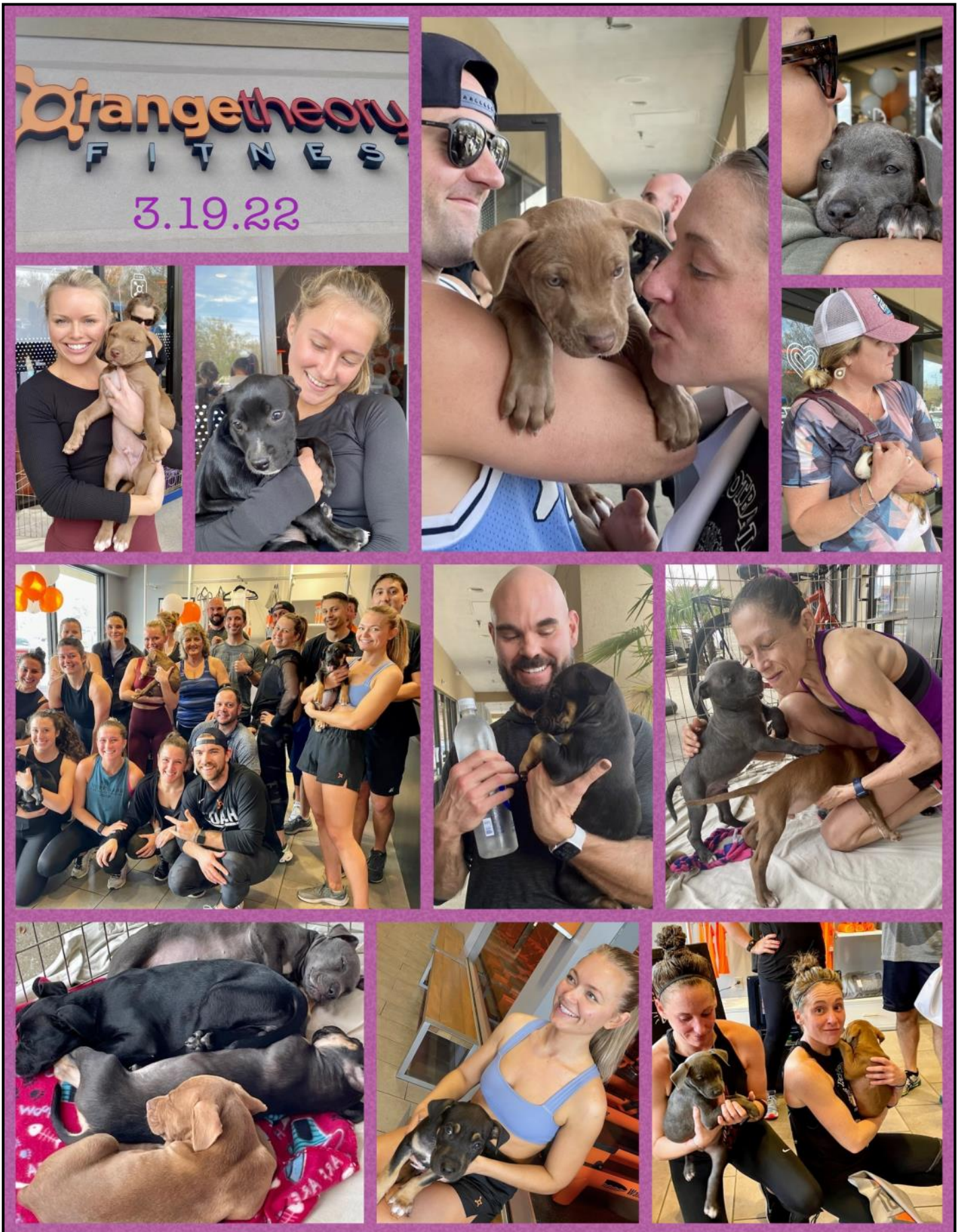
Saturday, April 16

11am - 11:45am - [Firefly Yoga with Reagan Sobel](#)
12pm - 4pm - [Adopt & Shop](#)
12pm - 4pm - Food Truck: Roti Rolls
1pm - 4pm - Live Music: KODA

ADOPT AND SHOP AT FIREFLY DISTILLERY EVERY MONTH

Join us for another year of Adopt and Shop celebrations on the third Saturday of every month from 12-4pm! In partnership with local dog rescues Southern Tails for Precious Paws, Carolina Coonhound, Hallie Hill Animal Sanctuary and Libby & Mace's Place, this event features adoptable dogs and of course plenty of Firefly Spirits!

Enjoy Firefly cocktails and food truck bites out on our large Front Porch or pick up your favorite spirits in our Tasting Room! All four legged friends are welcome outside and on leash.



April Happenings at Hallie Hill!

Cooper River Bridge Run - 4/2 (**DONATE NOW!**)
Dogapalooza! - 4/9, Hanahan Amphitheater, 12-6PM
Low Country Live - 4/13 at 10:00 AM
Adopt and Shop at Firefly Distillery - 4/16, 12-4PM
Channel 2 Midday News - 4/8 and 4/22 at 11:00 AM

SAVE THESE DATES:

Animals, Art and Automobiles - May 15th, Founders Hall
Putting for Paws - June 13th, The Links at Stono Ferry



Monday, June 13th at The Links at Stono Ferry

*Go to **halliehill.com** for more information
and to reserve your foursome!*

This event sells out every year!

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Welcome to Hallie Hill!



Ellie



Hippie



Oakley



Shaggy



Grimm



Celeste



Sometimes
all the therapy
you need is
a comfy couch,
a cup of tea,
and the sound
of your cat
purring
nearby.



HAPPINESS IS



...being loved by your cat.



April's Adorable Adoptables!

Go to halliehill.com and fill out an application to come out to HHAS to meet these wonderful animals!



We have Guinea Pigs!

These 4 guys (yes, they are all boys, less than a year old) are looking for their forever homes! Named after the 4 Musketeers, they are ready to be a loving companion to your family! GP's are social creatures, so it would be good to adopt one, better for them to take a pair! Typically gentle, they love to cuddle and spend time in your lap—a good beginning pet for children. Come meet our gentlemen—you'll fall in love.



Hank

Hank is an 8 year old gentleman who has learned to be great with other dogs. He is a hound—just look at those beautiful ears...they are like touching velvet! He would be a great companion dog, for you or another dog who needs a friend that look like him/her! Hank is pretty chill - he would love to help bring some hound dog calm into your life! Come out and meet Hank - you need each other!



Hippy

This beautiful brown and white girl is just a year old and a real sweetheart! A Pitbull mix, Hippy is a great size—a very solid, compact 35 pounds - we call her a 'Pocket Pittie' (ok, a big pocket)! She would do well with an active family who will love her and teach her the ropes of how to be a great pet! She is SO ready to meet you—come on out and visit with her! You won't be able to resist that face!



Puppies, Puppies, Puppies!

Oh, the joy of a puppy! We have 8 puppies, 11 weeks old, who are ready to bring so much love into your home! These beauties are Pitbull/hound mixes—3 boys and 5 girls waiting for you at the Sanctuary. All have been spayed or neutered and are receiving their vaccines. Full disclosure, puppies are hard work, but your reward for being a responsible pet parent is a committed, loving friend for life!

Why Your Dog Needs a Lick Mat!

Proud Dog Mom <https://www.prouddogmom.com/dog-lick-mat/>

Looking for ways to entertain your pooch while taking Zoom meetings? Or maybe you're in search of a healthy stress-relieving outlet for those times your pup seems a little on edge. Either way, I've got just the thing: A lick mat!

What is a Lick Mat?



A lick mat is exactly what it sounds like: It's a flexible mat made from food-grade rubber that features shallow ridges and grooves. Using a butter knife, the back of a spoon, or even your fingers, you fill the grooves with soft/pureed food. The unique design encourages dogs to lick, lick, and lick some more ... until every ounce of goodness has vanished from their mat. *(Versus taking big bites and quickly gobbling the snack).*

Top Benefits of Lick Mats

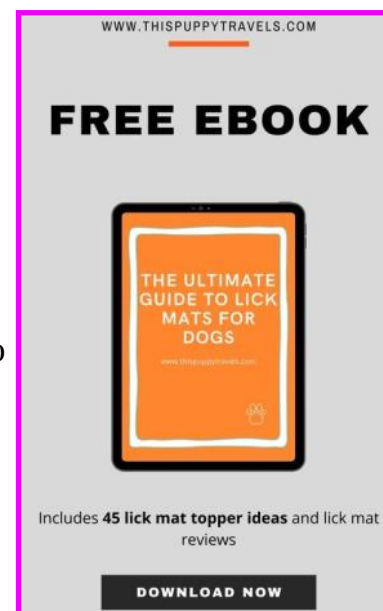
Stress Relief: Licking is a comforting and soothing action for dogs. As they lick, endorphins are released, promoting an overall happy and calm feeling. So, if your dog gets overwhelmed during bath time, nail trims, or even thunderstorms, the lick mat can provide a delicious distraction.

Mental Stimulation: Beat boredom with a fun *(and tasty)* game! While the concept of licking food off a mat may seem simple, it will get your dog's brain working to figure out how to lick the mat clean. [Think of it as a doggy puzzle.](#)

Slows Down Eating: Is your pooch a food gobbler? While most dogs are food motivated, scarfing down meals too quickly can be quite dangerous. *(Find out more about speed eating problems [HERE](#)).* If your dog chows down on soft food, a lick mat is a great way to naturally slow them down.

Benefits Digestion: The act of licking helps increase saliva production. And, guess what? Increased saliva production can also aid digestion, as it contains beneficial enzymes.

Oral Health: The grooves and soft bristles on a lick mat scrape against your dog's teeth, gums, and tongue, helping to clean and remove particles/bacteria. *(Of course, when it comes to oral health, nothing beats brushing)*



[**READ THE REST OF THIS GREAT ARTICLE! - CLICK HERE!**](#)

How Can You Help? Our April Wish List!

Consumables we need all of the time!

Trash Bags

Dry cat food

Friskies wet cat food

Dog treats and biscuits

Bottled water

Kitchen can bags



Copy Paper

Scoopable Cat Litter

Paper Plates and Paper Towels

Swiffer Wet Jet cleaning pads

Laundry Detergent

Multipurpose spray cleaner

Check out our [Hallie Hill Wishlist](#) on Amazon.com

Check out our [Hallie Hill Wishlist](#) on Chewy.com

Come out and see us at our community events!

Hallie Hill WAYS TO HELP

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Post: Don't forget to go to smile.amazon.com each time you shop on Amazon!

Hallie Hill WAYS TO HELP

Birthday Fundraiser

Whether to collect needed supplies at a party, or fundraising through facebook - it means the world to us when individuals choose to honor our animals on their special day!

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Hallie Hill WAYS TO HELP

Donate to the MAGIC Fund

MAGIC =
Medical And Geriatric Intensive Care

The MAGIC Fund is used to cover the many medical costs that arise at the sanctuary. New arrivals require vaccinations and spay/neuter surgeries. All of the 200 animals receive monthly heart worm and flea preventative. Many animals develop orthopedic or other health problems that require surgery. Hallie Hill also has many animals that require daily medications for everything from diabetes to arthritis. Many of the senior residents need more medical interventions as they age. Your donation to this fund helps to ensure the animals get the medical attention they need to live healthy, pain-free lives.

Why You Should Consider Adopting a Senior Pet

Many older pets live out the remainder of their lives in shelters or are euthanized to make room for more adoptable animals. Don't you think it's heartbreaking?

Keep an open mind if you're thinking of adopting a shelter pet. Who knows, an older dog or cat might just be the pet you need.

healthy pets
save the shelter

We Found Our Fur-ever Homes!!



Atlas thanks
Lauren Faulkenberry



Arlo thanks
Shawn Griffin



Benny thanks
Kim Harris



Duffy thanks
MeeMee Williams



Homer thanks
Robertson Family



Iggy thanks
Bernadine Otterbein



Toogoodoo thanks
Janet Boggs



Lenox thanks
Janet Boggs



Shaggy thanks
Meagan Leslie

We Found Our Fur-ever Homes!!



Summer thanks the
Williams Family



Pocus (Winnie)
Thanks the Sutler Family



Hallie Hill
wishes you
Happy Easter,
Happy Passover
and
Happy
Springtime
Everything!



THIS is Hallie Hill!....



Many thanks to Katy Roberts,
of Katy Roberts Media, for
shooting and producing this
wonderful video!

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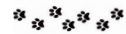
Happy Dog Ingredients



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Mission Statement

Hallie Hill Animal Sanctuary is a 501c3 organization that provides a compassionate safe-haven with quality food and medical care for dogs and cats; a temporary home for those able to be adopted, and a forever home for those in need.