



Hill Animal Sanctuary has reached a significant milestone in its journey towards enhancing animal welfare and expanding its capacity to serve the community. On March 28<sup>th</sup> at 2pm, amidst excitement and anticipation, the sanctuary proudly hosted a groundbreaking ceremony for its upcoming main building, aptly named "The Hub." This event marked the beginning of an exciting chapter in the sanctuary's history, promising improved facilities and greater outreach.

'The Hub' symbolizes more than just bricks and mortar; it represents a hub of compassion, diligence, and progress. With state-of-the-art facilities and expanded resources, the new building will serve as the heart of operations, fostering growth in both capacity and impact. It will provide a centralized space for administrative functions, onsite medical care, volunteer coordination, educational programs, and community engagement initiatives.

The groundbreaking ceremony was a testament to the unwavering support and dedication of the community, volunteers, donors, and staff who have rallied behind Hallie Hill Animal Sanctuary's mission. Representatives from local businesses, supporters, and animal lovers came together to celebrate this momentous occasion, highlighting the power of collective action and collaboration in creating positive change.

At its core, "The Hub" embodies the sanctuary's commitment to enhancing animal welfare and providing the highest standard of care for its residents. With improved facilities and resources, the sanctuary will be better equipped to meet the evolving needs of the animals entrusted to its care, ensuring they receive the love, attention, and medical support they deserve.

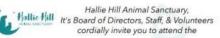
As construction commences on "The Hub," the sanctuary looks forward to the transformative impact it will have on its operations and outreach efforts. The completion of this main building will not only enhance the sanctuary's ability to rescue, rehabilitate, and rehome animals but also strengthen its role as a community resource for education, advocacy, and compassionate action.

The groundbreaking ceremony for "The Hub" at Hallie Hill Animal Sanctuary marks an exciting chapter in the Sanctuary's journey! With the support of the community and dedicated stakeholders, Hallie Hill is poised to make an even greater impact in the lives of animals and the community at large. As construction progresses, we eagerly anticipate the day when "The Hub" stands as a beacon of hope, compassion, and positive change for all to see.

Jennifer Middleton, CAWA, Executive Director, Hallie Hill Animal Sanctuary



## The Future of Hallie Hill Animal Sanctuary!





March 28th, 2024, at 2:00pm 5604 New Rd, Hollywood, SC 29449

Refreshments will be served after the ceremony

Please RSVP to Jennifer Middleton at j.middleton@halliehill.com by Wednesday, March 20.





#### **Read the Press Release Here!**











### Don't Pass the Buck, Rethink Muck!

Volunteering with an animal welfare organization is very fulfilling and rewarding work. There are so many ways to help, and each organization can have very different programs to be involved in. Typically, at an animal shelter, laundry, dishwashing, and dog walking top the list of ways volunteers support daily operations. There are mountains of dirty blankets and towels and towers of food and water bowls that need to be conquered daily. Dog walking is a very desired "job" that volunteers always look forward to helping with and it is extremely important. Most shelters have small kennels, some with outdoor access, some without, and dogs are typically housed independently. Every dog is an individual and copes with these conditions differently. Kennel deterioration is a very big concern, so it is very important to get the dogs out of their kennels for playgroups and walks, ideally multiple times a day.

At Hallie Hill, we are unique, and our needs are a bit different. We don't have the mounds of laundry and piles of dishes. Our dogs are in large, grassy enclosures, mostly two to an enclosure. Our dogs have room to run, places to dig, bask in the sun or nap in the shade. They can play with their pen mate if they choose to do so, all within their living space. So, because of our unique setting, walking our dogs is not the dire need that it is at a shelter. One of our top needs at the sanctuary is to keep our animals' environments clean. "Mucking," more commonly known as pooper scooping, is one of our needed volunteer tasks. Sure, it's not glamorous, but it's necessary and it really is the biggest opportunity to be



out with the dogs, learning who they are, getting to really know their individual personalities and getting hands on time with many dogs during one volunteer shift. We have a small staff at the sanctuary and with over two hundred animals, we rely on our volunteers to help with monitoring the dogs and to report behavior changes or health concerns to us.

Signing up for a mucking shift is really what you make of it. It's a three-hour window that volunteers can utilize as they wish. Of course, the mucking needs to get done and honestly, it's very satisfying making things clean for the dogs! Entering a pen and doing the mucking is a good time for the dogs to acclimate having someone in with them, it allows them to get over their initial excitement and calm down. Then, once you are finished, you can interact with the dogs who choose to do so. You can play with toys or throw a ball for them, you can speak gently to the shy dogs to make them feel more comfortable, we have brushes available so you can groom those that like to be handled. The dogs whose pens back up to play yards can be brought out into the play yard for "sniffaris", which is always fun! With the warmer weather we will have our sensory wagons to bring into enclosures for the dogs to sniff and the swimming pools for the pups to splash in! Mucking shifts are valuable socialization time with the dogs that is priceless. As you can see, there is so much more to signing up for a mucking shift than what the title says! So, "Don't Pass the Buck, Sign Up to Muck!"

Michele Griffin, Assistant Director/Volunteer Coordinator

#### CONGRATS TO OUR NEW TIER THREE VOLUNTEERS! KELLIE ACKERMAN AND SUZANNE MALICHAK!



April, 2024

Apply to be one of our amazing volunteers HERE!



# **Click Here to Donate**





Retractable leashes are not only difficult to control, but they can also be dangerous to you and your pet—even for well-trained dogs on their best behavior. Below are some of the dangers of these popular leashes:

The jerking stop of the leash can cause injuries to the pet. Once the leash has run out of cord, or the human hits the stop button on the handle, it results in a sudden jerk that can cause neck wounds, lacerations to the trachea, and injuries to the spine.

The cord can cut, burn, or even amputate the walker. If the human gets tangled in the cord or grabs it while it is retracting or reeling out, serious injuries can occur.

Retractable leashes don't offer enough control. If your pup is 15 to 20 feet away from you and an unfriendly dog approaches, it's extremely difficult to pull them back to safety. In the few seconds it takes to reel in your pup, both dogs could be facing serious injury if a quick-moving fight occurs. Dogs can also easily dart into traffic or eat something toxic while walking far ahead.

The leash handle is bulky. This allows the handle to easily be pulled out of the human's hand easily. It can cause injury to the pet if it hits them, and the loud sound could alarm them, causing them to run away.

Cords can easily break, tear, or fray. If the pet on the other end is powerful and takes off running full speed, the cord can snap. This may injure the human walking them as the cord comes snapping back toward their body and face. Also, the constant retracting of the cord can cause it to rub on the handle, creating frays that can eventually tear with little force or tension.

The leashes can be a tripping hazard. The cord can easily get tangled around the human's feet, and it can pile up if your pet suddenly stops while the cord is completely extended.

Retractable leashes can encourage bad walking habits in your dog. These leashes can teach dogs to keep their distance from their human on walks. And, because the retractable leash never slackens, it encourages them to pull.





## Sunday, May 12<sup>th</sup> 11am-3pm

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#### THANK YOU! THANK YOU! THANK YOU!



#### **CONGRATULATIONS TO Andrea Zicarelli**

for being recognized as one of South Carolina Federal Credit Union's Top Five Employees for Volunteerism! SCF-CU donated \$100 to Hallie Hill on behalf of Andrea! We love you Andrea, for all you do for us and our residents and for your help to many other organizations!

Many thanks to J. McLaughlin's (212 King St.) for sponsoring a fundraiser to benefit Hallie Hill! We are so grateful!

The Hallie Hill Howler

April, 2024 Thanks to volunteer Cathie Havelka and puppy Spice for representing the Sanctuary so well in the beautiful J. McLaughlin store!





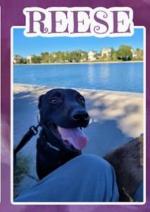
Thank you SEJ Services and valued volunteer Jamie Connolly for your generous donations to Hallie Hill Animal Sanctuary! The pups and kits are grateful!

# **Adoption 'Pup-Dates'**



It's been 6months since we adopted Goose, formerly known as Banjo. He turns 2 years old tomorrow!! He had definitely been trained to not get on furniture, so we had to break this and teach him to get up on the bed & the couch to snuggle! Goose is a very smart boy as he has learned how to open the latches on the gate to our backyard. After one escape and quickly finding him playing in our neighbors backyard with their dog, we added locks to the gates and have been good ever since. He is the master of the head tilt. You can't help but smile looking at him! Goose loves going for car rides and sticking his head safely out the window. He loves running and playing in the backyard with his sister, Honey. He has lots of play dates with my friends' dogs. He also loves his kitty siblings and will snuggle and play with them. Goose (aka Goo Goo) is the perfect fit to our family & is the sweetest most snuggly boy ever. So happy with our adoption!!











Our little girl turned 2 yesterday! We only know her birthday since Hallie Hill rescued her and her siblings from the Colleton County Shelter after they were born. We love her so much

"Spam sleeps in the bed with us every night. He gets in bed around 4 or 5 in the afternoon and sleeps til 7am. It is so funny!"

With much sadness Dan and I had to made the decision to put our precious Ralphie to rest on Sunday, March 3. It broke our hearts, but we knew he was ready to be with the Lord and his doggie friends who had gone before him. We are heart broken. He was such a sweet boy who left an imprint on our lives and so many others. His presence was one of peace, gentleness, and love.

We woren't ready, but knew it was the right thing to do for him. He will be in our hearts forever. We loved him so much. Dan and I want to thank you and Hallie Hill Sanctuary for sharing him with us for 5 1/2 months\_ it was the happiest days of our lives.

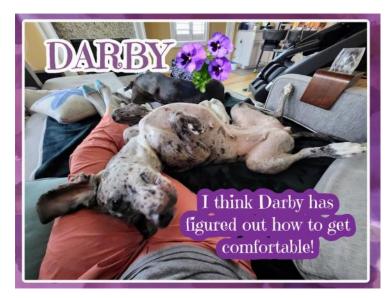
Love, Dan & Pat Johnson.



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#### Hank in one of his 5 beds throughout our house!

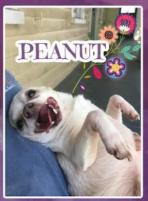






I just wanted to reach out and let you know that my sweet baby Peanut is about to cross the rainbow bridge. He was my very first dog and I adopted him from you all in 2019 on my 22nd birthday. I can't extend my gratitude enough to you all for trusting me to give him a loving home. This past June I

This past June I found out he had cancer in his knee, and we got his leg amputated. He had an amazing nine months since then, but he likely has a brain tumor and is unfortunately ready to go. Thank you all so much for introducing me to my soul dog. Thank you so much for giving him to me.









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# Welcome to Hallie Hill!



Finn



Rousey



Popcorn





Huck



Anubis









ering litterbox

all milk (deciduous) teeth

have emerged eating confidently

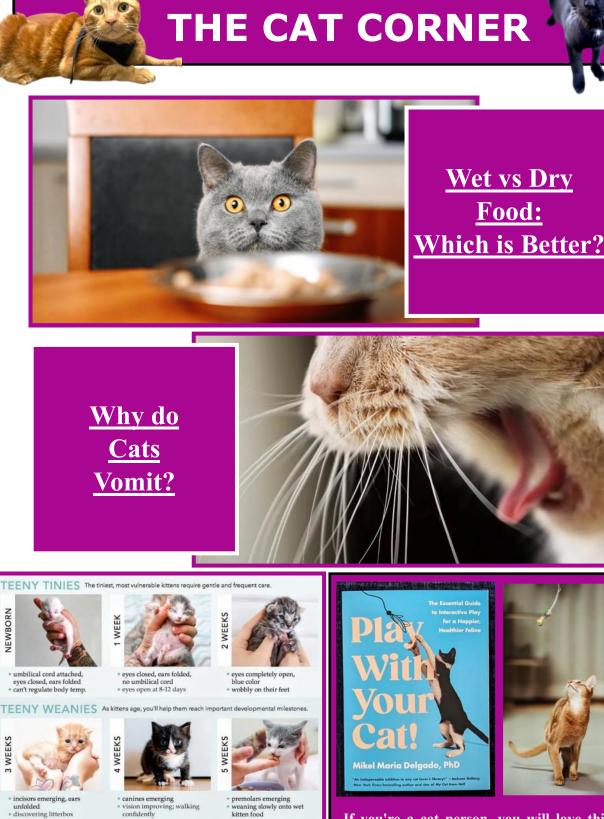
7 WEEKS

transitioning to adult eye color
 coordinated and playful

**BIG KIDS** 

6 WEEKS

April, 2024



If you're a cat person, you will love this! In this book, Mikel Feline Minds explains why play is essential for cats' wellbeing and how you can make playtime even better. It's a really entertaining book, packed with tips on toys and play styles, and is illustrated by Lili Chin. Everything you need to enrich your cat's life (and have fun in the process) is here.

once 2 pounds, kittens can be spayed/neutered and placed in their forever home!

WEEKS

# We are Happy at Home!



Chili thanks **Keshav Chandron!** 



**Rousey (now Hallie)** thanks the **Stackhouse Family!** 



Finn thanks Dave and Lynn Rosato!



Huck thanks the Molina Family!



Sugar (now Millie) thanks Hazel Jovce and grandson Mack!



Trooper (now Sammie Jo) thanks Elaine Seidler!



GIVE THEM A CHANCE



MONTHS

FINALLY FEELS COMPLETELY COMFORTABLE IN HIS HOME

BEGINS TO BUILD TRUST AND A TRUE

GAINS A COMPLETE SENSE OF SECURITY WITH HIS NEW FAMILY

SETS INTO A ROUTH

Hill Howler he Hallie April, 2024



## Wear your love of Hallie Hill for the world to see! Click <u>HERE</u> to purchase your **Hallie Hill Merchandise!**

Join TODAY at HallieHill.com/Legacy-Society

Become a part of something big...

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With your help, we can continue to provide respite for animals until they are adopted or be a forever home for those in need. If you give to Hallie Hill through your will, trust, or other financial plans, you can help ensure the sanctuary continues saving the lives of homeless animals in the future. Your generosity will provide a lifetime of love for our animals in need:

your legacy, their future.

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Hallie Hill Animal Sanctuary has worked tirelessly since 1988 to

provide sanctuary for homeless dogs and cats.



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# April's Adorable Adoptables!

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



# <u>Ava</u>

Ava is a medium sized Chow-Chow mix who recently arrived at the sanctuary at about 13 years old. She has lots of energy for an older gal, and a charming personality. She had some hair loss on arrival, but it is growing back nicely now that she is on preventatives. She may need occasional grooming to keep that coat beautiful.



## <u>Bud</u>

This distinguished fella is a recent arrival to HH. His owner passed away and he was taken to an upstate shelter that had no space to hold him for long. He was pulled from the shelter by a good Samaritan who was unable to keep him when he did not get along with her other dog or her cats. Bud is laid back and very loving with every person he meets, but we feel he really wants to be the only pet in the house. He is housebroken, walks well on a leash and is extremely handsome.



## <u>Poppy</u>

Poppy is not just a good-looking calico, but she has a surprisingly great disposition too! She is just 2 years old, sweet natured and friendly with people and the other cats. We can highly recommend this beautiful girl to complete your family! 5 Stars for Poppy!



# <u>Chai</u>



Chai is a petite little lady who would love to fetch balls all day long. She LOVES tennis balls. She will bring the ball back to you every time and nudge it right to your hand with her nose. She's great with people but would need to be an only dog. She is built like a small tank and will roll right over your heart. Hallie Hill thanks Crews Subaru for supporting our mission to change the future of the animals in our care!



# How Can You Help Hallie Hill? Our April Wish List!...

## Consumables we need <u>all</u> of the time!

Trash Bags Dry cat food Friskies wet cat food Dog treats and biscuits Bottled water Kitchen can bags

**Canned dog food** 

Granulated ant poison Scoopable Cat Litter Paper Plates and Paper Towels Swiffer mopping cloths Laundry Detergent Multipurpose spray cleaner

Thank you, but at this time we are NOT in need of blankets or sheets!

Check out our <u>Hallie Hill Wishlist</u> on Amazon.com Check out our <u>Hallie Hill Wishlist</u> on Chewy.com





April Happenings at Hallie Hill!

Channel 2 Midday News—4/5 and 4/19 at 11:50 AM

'Quintin's Close Ups' - Pet of the Week - 4/3

Bridge the Gap—4/6

Low Country Live - 4/17 at 10:00 AM

**Dogapalooza - 4/13** Hanahan Amphitheater

Mel's Mutts - 5/14 at 6:10 AM Good AM Charleston



<u>THIS</u> is Hallie Hill!....



Many thanks to Katy Roberts, of Katy Roberts Media, for shooting and producing this wonderful video! It is guaranteed to make you want to visit this amazing place!



## **Click here to enjoy the video!**





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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.

<u>Hallie Hill Staff</u>



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April, 2024

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