



Year in Review

2024 Annual Report



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Our Mission

Arizona Small Dog Rescue is committed to rescuing dogs in need and caring for them until we find their perfect forever family. We focus on providing a safe environment where the health and welfare of the dogs is our top priority.

Our Values

Excellence

We strive for excellence in all we do; from reuniting lost pets with their owners, to caring for our dogs, to providing exceptional adoption experiences—and everything in between.

Education

We understand the importance of spaying and neutering, microchipping, and properly caring for dogs. We look for opportunities to share best practices with our visitors, supporters, fosters, volunteers, adopters, and pet parents who we successfully reunite with their lost dog.

Integrity

We always do the right thing, even when no one is looking. We will provide the best care for our dogs, be transparent with our supporters, and be good stewards of all donations received.

Compassion

AZSDR demonstrates compassion when interacting with dogs in our care and shows compassion when interacting with people in all situations.

Board of Directors



Laura Grosso

President



Laura Green

Vice President



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Director's Corner

New year, new location, same mission and same passion for helping the homeless pups. 2024 was a successful year of changes and growth for AZSDR in many ways. Several new fundraising events, adoption events and community connections to meet new donors and volunteers.

It was a year of new beginnings for many of our furry friends. This year we successfully rescued 1124 dogs. Helping them get the medical care they need and working hard to find them a new home is so rewarding. Our staff work tirelessly to ensure every pup in our care is loved and their needs are met. Their compassion and empathy towards all our furry friends is priceless.

I want to personally thank you for your generous support of our organization. Every donation, no matter the size, helps change lives and makes an impact. Every Foster and Volunteer that spend their time to help our dogs and promote our organization make a difference in our success. It has been an honor to experience all the generosity given to our organization over this past year.

I am grateful for our 2025 AZSDR Board of Directors. They provide amazing support, guidance and fundraising involvement. They all have a passion of helping others and their communities. It is a joy and pleasure to work with them on our many projects.

I invite you to stay connected with us by following our social media pages, visiting our new facility or reaching out with any questions. Thank you for being a part of our community and helping us make a difference.

Best wishes,

Paula Joseph

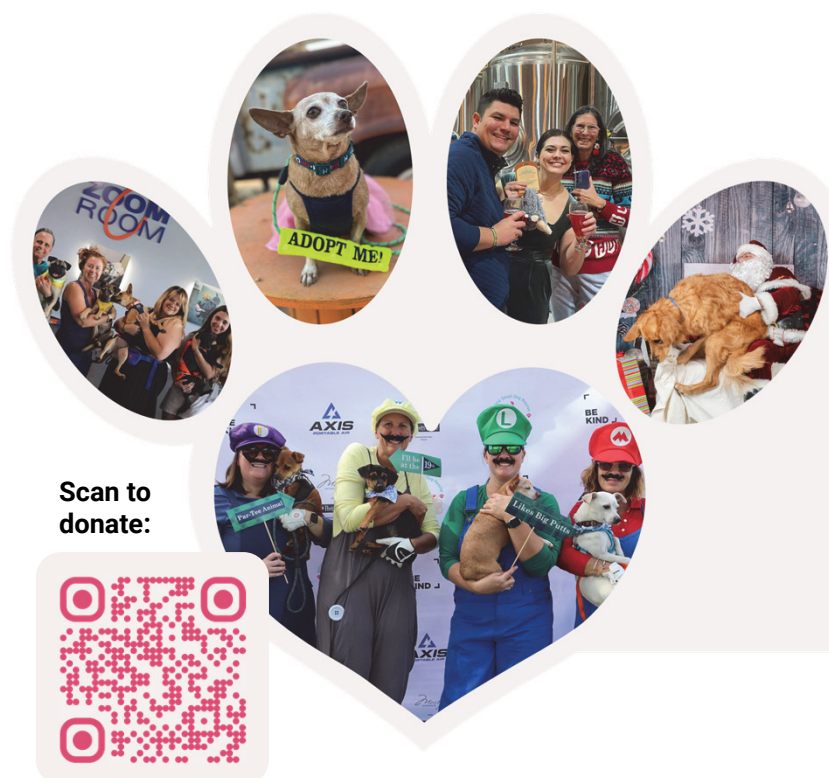


Ways to get Involved

Donate

Your donations provide essential care for our dogs. We gratefully accept:

- 🐾 Cleaning supplies
- 🐾 High-quality dog food
- 🐾 Towels, blankets, and dog beds
- 🐾 Toys, leashes, and harnesses
- 🐾 Cash donations—all tax-deductible through our 501(c)(3) nonprofit status!



Volunteer

You don't need to be an animal expert—just a willingness to help! Whether you have a little or a lot of time to give, there's a way to make a difference. Volunteer opportunities include:

- 🐾 Socializing, walking, and caring for dogs at the shelter
- 🐾 Cleaning kennels to ensure a safe and healthy environment
- 🐾 Transporting dogs to and from adoption events
- 🐾 Assisting at weekend adoption events in North Phoenix
- 🐾 Supporting fundraising events

Foster

Open your home and heart to a dog in need! Complete our online foster training and provide a temporary home for puppies, moms, seniors, or medical cases until they're ready for adoption. We supply everything—food, medical care, and ongoing support—so you can focus on giving love and care.

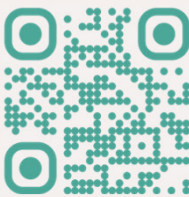
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Lead & Advise

Help us expand our impact by leading key fundraising events, such as galas and golf tournaments, which have been postponed due to a lack of organizers. Additionally, we are seeking a veterinarian to join our board or serve as a medical advisor.

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THE YEAR IN



Total
1,030
Adoptions

Approved
120
Fosters



Returned
30
to Owner

Spays &
1,065
Neuters



Total
1,124
Intake



NUMBERS

Dental
\$60,845
Expenses



Medical
\$359,305
Expenses



Medical
\$107,209
Emergency



Volunteer
23,650
Hours



Save
98.9%
Rate



AZSDR Events

These events highlight the fundraisers and community gatherings Arizona Small Dog Rescue participated in throughout 2024, helping to support and spread awareness for rescue dogs in need.

Lou's Journey

Follow the inspiring story of Lou, a puppy who spent nearly a year in our care, overcoming medical challenges before finding his forever home.

2024
January



February

A Concerning Discovery

A routine check-up revealed a heart murmur, leading to further testing to ensure Lou got the care he needed.

A Rough Start

At just two months old, Lou and his brother Bud were surrendered into our care, starting their journey toward a brighter future.

March

A Tough Diagnosis

An echocardiogram confirmed Lou had Pulmonic Stenosis, a serious heart condition that would require surgery.



Uncorked

We kicked off the year by sharing our mission at a local wine festival, where a portion of the proceeds helped support our cause—cheers to that!

April



Growing Strong

Lou spent this month growing bigger and stronger so he'd be ready for the procedure ahead.

A Scary Surgery

Lou underwent a Balloon Valvuloplasty. The recovery was rough—he crashed post-surgery and needed a couple of nights in the hospital—but he fought through like a champ.



May

Healing & Hope

With lots of rest, love, and care, Lou focused on healing and enjoying his puppyhood.

September

Cars & Canines

Classic cars and adorable adoptable pups made for an unforgettable day at our car show and adoption event.



Getting Ready

Lou got the all-clear for his neuter surgery, another important step in his journey.

October

One More Hurdle

Lou underwent his neuter surgery and handled it like a pro.



A Scary Setback

A sudden health scare sent Lou to the emergency vet, where he was diagnosed with Acute Hemorrhagic Gastroenteritis and severe anemia. It was another tough battle, but we weren't giving up on him.



A Clean Bill of Health

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Happy Ending

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November

The VIG

Our supporters got into the Halloween spirit with themed cocktails, costumes, and donations that helped rescue animals in need.



Hatcher

When Hatcher arrived, he was unrecognizable—hidden beneath a tangled mass of matted fur. With patience, care, and a fresh start, he emerged as the happy, healthy pup he was meant to be.



Jakoda's road to adoption wasn't easy—this gentle giant waited over 18 months for a home, only to be returned through no fault of his own. After another six-month wait, his perfect match finally arrived. In March 2024, Jakoda found the loving home he had always deserved!

Jakoda



Fore!

We hit the greens with our donors for a fun day of golf, all in support of our furry friends.



December

Giving Thanks

Our rescue dogs enjoyed a special Thanksgiving meal, because they deserve to be celebrated too!



Santa Paws

Holiday magic was in the air as pets posed for festive photos with Santa, all while supporting a great cause.



Kitsune Brewing Co.

We wrapped up the year with an ugly sweater party, featuring a special brew that helped raise funds for our mission.

An Exciting Year Ahead

2025
January



A Big Move!

Arizona Small Dog Rescue has officially moved into their new shelter location in Tempe, marking an incredible milestone after years of hard work, dedication, and relentless determination. This new space is not just a physical building, but a dream realized for the many staff, volunteers, and supporters who have tirelessly advocated for the safety, well-being, and second chances of so many deserving dogs. For years, their unwavering commitment to has made a profound impact on the community, and now, with this expanded facility, they are poised to do even more, thanks to our generous community and incredible donors. The new shelter will provide a more comfortable, welcoming environment for both the animals and their volunteers, allowing them to continue their mission with greater resources and a more effective approach. It's a victory for all those who believed in the vision of a new shelter and we are so grateful for this new chapter for the rescue.

Our Team



Paula Joseph

Executive Director



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Operations Manager



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Foster Coordinator



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Special Thanks

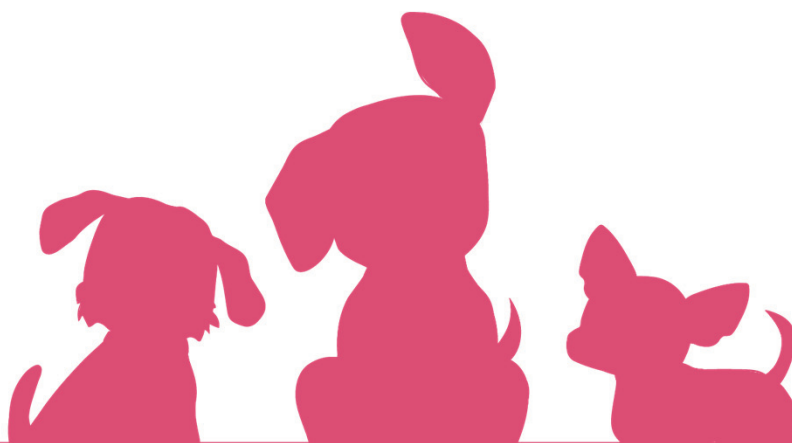
Our work wouldn't be possible without the generosity of our incredible supporters. Whether through financial contributions, donated supplies, volunteer efforts, or event sponsorships, these partners have helped us give countless dogs a second chance. We are deeply grateful for their commitment to our mission and the animals we serve.



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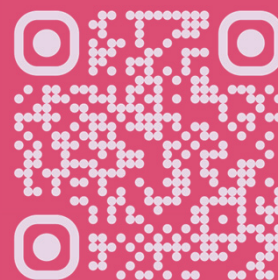


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