



# The HOWL

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Gus and Willie

## CVC Saves Animals and Families

We didn't realize just how valuable our clinic was to the community until we recently had a visit from three people from Lane County Animal Welfare, City of Eugene Animal Welfare, and First Avenue Shelter. They called the meeting to develop partnerships between CVC and their own organizations.

One officer leaned forward, "When we get a call about animals not being cared for and in bad shape we often find that it is a matter of monies. The owners love their animals but have no way of providing appropriate care for them. We have few options. We take the animal away and adopt it out, or we fine the owners who obviously can't get the animal back, or the best option...we get them to take the animal to Community Veterinary Center where they get the animal back to health and learn how to care for it. Then they can keep their pet," he said.

## You Can Help These Animals Now!

When you specify that your CVC donation is for the "Friendship Fund," 100% of your money will go directly to the cost of providing medical diagnosis, care, and medications to needy animal(s). We can let you know which animal(s) your dollars benefitted.

You can sponsor a needy animal or animals who would otherwise suffer or be taken away from their loved ones. You can help CVC save them from a life of pain, disability, parasites, and/or unwanted litters. It is a true act of love that pays back the love we get from our pets. This Friendship Fund truly embodies our mission and our slogan, 'Not for Profit, For Love'.

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## CVC's Mission

Community Veterinary Center provides low-cost veterinary care for pets on a sliding scale according to their caregiver's income level.

To donate to the Friendship Fund, send a check **payable to CVC**, to: CVC, PO Box 10971, Eugene, OR 97440. Write "Friendship Fund" in the memo field of your check.

## Friendship Fund Stories

A fragile owner walked into the clinic with a very fragile dog. Hanging from the German Shephard's mouth was a dark pink tooth nerve with the tooth attached. The owner explained that the dog had been in this condition for months, but they had no place to take him that they could afford until they heard about Community Veterinary Center. It was obvious the dog was in great distress by his trembling and his whining. His dark eyes were fixed on us as though he knew he was going to get help. When I think of CVC as a place of healing and solace for both owners of sick dogs and the animals who are in distress, I picture this intelligent, sweet dog walking in for a checkup months later actually prancing with energy. That's what we do at the clinic. We offer solace and healing for those in need. (As recalled by Patsy Hand)



Willie before treatment

A woman found a mother cat and her four kittens and brought them into the clinic. One of them, Willie, had an injured eye that the clinic was not able to save. However, diagnosis and treatment prevented a serious infection which could have killed Willie. The kitten's first 12 weeks of life were traumatic, but now he is doing great after being adopted, along with his brother Gus, by the daughter of Cheryl, CVC's office manager.



Willie after treatment



Lacy was hit by a car. His dad brought him in without an appointment and not much money. We used the Friendship Fund to give him an exam and check for broken bones, plus medications.



Here's Jade, a pretty gray kitty, waiting for her exam. She needed a dental cleaning and surgery.



Tango came in for a mass on his foot. After a doctor exam, it was decided he'll need surgery, which we scheduled. He's a 5-year-old Boxer, a big guy.

## CVC Events

Benefit with Fiddlin' Big Sue Band. Join us on September 26 from 5-7 PM at Oakshire Brewing, 207 Madison Street in Eugene, for a *benefit concert*. Great beer, food, and music.

Story of Your Pet *video contest* – win up to \$150 first prize to show off your pet. See [www.communityvet.org](http://www.communityvet.org) for details.

Thank you, Tito's Vodka and local bars, who sponsored CVC *fund-raisers* - Brew and Cue, Elk Horn Brewery, Level-Up Arcade, The Mohawk, Taylors Bar & Grill.

*CVC Garage Sale, August* – Over 40 people donated items and 10 volunteers helped, making \$2,300 for the animals.

We appreciate Claim 52 Brewing, for sponsoring their 2<sup>nd</sup> annual *benefit for CVC* on July 13.



CVC had a booth at the *Eugene Mission Food Truck Fest*. We gave away dog treats, had a kiddie pool for the dogs to splash in, and handed out information. CVC is invited back for the 2019 event.

This is Diesel in the kiddie pool cooling off!

The *Emerald Ems Baseball team* featured CVC at their game on August 25. Thanks, Ems for helping us help animals.

## Pets Are Good for Our Health

Today, the excessive use of electronic communications has raised a large red flag in the medical community - loneliness. A major university did a study in 2015 and discovered that loneliness increases the risk of death by a whopping 26 percent. And, if you live alone that statistic can rise from 29 to 32 percent.

The evidence that dogs are good for our health, continues to gain believers. We all know how much companionship pets can give us, but did you know that having a dog lowers the possibility of an early death by a substantial 33 percent? And your dog will also decrease your risk of a heart attack by 11 percent. One study recently reported that dog ownership also has a direct effect on lowering the risk of cardiovascular disease (CVD). *Continued page 4*



CVC 2018 Garage Sale

## How You Can Help

Donate on-line:  
[communityvet.org/donations](http://communityvet.org/donations)

Mail a check payable to CVC, to CVC, PO Box 10971, Eugene, OR 97440.

***To designate what your donation is to be used for, indicate when donating on-line or write on your check.***

Donate in-kind services/products: pet supplies, unexpired medical supplies, medical equipment, pet treats/toys, towels, blankets.

To volunteer – email [CVCOregon@gmail.com](mailto:CVCOregon@gmail.com)

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Another way your dog can lengthen your life is by getting you up from your favorite chair and taking your pet for a walk. Not only do you and your dog get the benefit of exercise, your dog can open an avenue to a morale boosting conversation with another person you may encounter on your walk.

So, put your dog on a leash, leave your electronic devices at home, and go for a walk. You and your dog will live a longer, healthier life and will enjoy every day as time well spent.

## Thank you, CVC Contributors!

Thanks to the many individuals, foundations, organizations and businesses that support CVC's mission. Thanks to one of our newest supporters – Melissa at Café Yumm Broadway for her fabulous hospitality during CVC meetings held there.

## CVC Continues to Look for a 2<sup>nd</sup> Vet

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