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"Soul" Survivor

By: Elaine Tilton-Albaugh

Soul came into BRAWA on December 6th, 2022 as a single stray kitten. It was obvious from the beginning that something was wrong with her front leg. The shelter Veterinarian, Dr. Thomas, examined her and stated, " the nerves were dead in her leg and that she had no feeling in that limb. She would be a good candidate for an amputation and that she would learn to adjust quickly."

I fostered sweet Soul for 2 months. During that time another single kitten had come into the shelter named Sweet Pea. I brought her home to be Soul's companion. The two got along well, played hard and snuggled together to sleep.

When Soul was almost 4 pounds, I brought her and the other kitten back to the shelter. Sweet Pea was spayed and put up for adoption and Soul underwent surgery to amputate the bad leg from the shoulder down. She remained at the shelter under observation and was given pain medication and antibiotics to prevent a possible infection. I then brought her back to my home for an additional 2 weeks to heal and prepare her for her final spay surgery prior to making her available for adoption.

Soul will be an inside only special needs kitty. She has adjusted effortlessly to having one front leg. She is very active, can run and jump with no pain and she is incredibly fast. She is friendly and outgoing and will be an amazing furever friend for a new adopter.





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A GAL NAMED CHARLOTTE

BY: MARGIE PATTON

A FEW DAYS BEFORE CHRISTMAS, THIS LITTLE

10-POUND GAL WAS FOUND ALL ALONE ON A

COUNTRY ROAD AND BROUGHT TO OUR SHELTER.

HER THIN BODY AND THE FLEAS CRAWLING ON IT

WERE EVIDENCE OF LONG-TERM NEGLECT.

MOST DISTURBING THOUGH WAS THE PRESENCE

OF A TENNIS BALL SIZE TUMOR ON HER ABDOMEN

WHICH HAD BECOME NECROTIC AND CAUSED A

STRONG, FOUL ODOR.



THE NEXT MORNING DR. KAREN THOMAS, OUR SHELTER VETERINARIAN, SURGICALLY REMOVED THE MASS AND SENT IT OFF FOR PATHOLOGY EVALUATION. ALTHOUGH THE LITTLE GAL WE CALLED CHARLOTTE WAS ONLY ABOUT 3 YEARS OLD, THE REPORT INDICATED AN AGGRESSIVE CANCER WAS PRESENT AND TREATMENT WAS NOT AN OPTION. DR. THOMAS SUGGESTED WE FIND SOMEONE WILLING TO TAKE THIS SWEET LITTLE DOG KNOWING HER FUTURE WAS UNCERTAIN, BUT THE CHANCES WERE SLIM SUCH A PERSON EXISTED. WE ARE HAPPY TO REPORT THERE ARE ANGELS AMONG US. CHARLOTTE, NOW ROXY, IS LIVING THE GOOD LIFE WITH TRAVIS BOSTON AND JAY GARNER WHO SAY SHE IS THE PERFECT LITTLE DOG FOR THEM. ALTHOUGH THEY REPORT SHE GETS ZOOMIES EVERY MORNING, SHE SPENDS LOTS OF TIME ON JAY'S LAP. JAY'S MOBILITY ISSUES LIMIT HIS ACTIVITY SO HE DERIVES MUCH JOY FROM THE ANTICS OF THIS LUCKY LITTLE DOG. WE AT BRAWA APPRECIATE THEIR WILLINGNESS TO OPEN THEIR HEARTS AND HOME TO A DOG WITH HEALTH ISSUES. WE APPRECIATE EVEN MORE THE FINANCIAL SUPPORT OF THE COMMUNITY THAT MADE IT POSSIBLE FOR US TO PROVIDE MEDICAL CARE FOR ROXY AND SO MANY OTHER ANIMALS IN NEED. YOUR SUPPORT IS ABSOLUTELY CRUCIAL TO OUR MISSION.

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WHAT SHOULD I DO IF I FIND A STRAY ANIMAL?



NEVER TAKE A STRAY ANIMAL OUT OF THE COUNTY IT WAS FOUND IN, OTHERWISE THIS MAKES IT VERY DIFFICULT FOR THE OWNER TO FIND THEIR PET.

*SECURE THE ANIMAL IN A SAFE PLACE. IF YOU CANNOT, CALL YOUR LOCAL ANIMAL CONTROL FOR A PICKUP.

*OBSERVE THE ANIMAL FOR ANY WOUNDS OR ILLNESS.

*CHECK FOR ANY IDENTIFYING COLLAR OR TAGS.

*DURING BUSINESS HOURS BRING THE ANIMAL TO THE SHELTER TO BE SCANNED FOR A MICROCHIP.

*IF YOU ARE HOLDING THE ANIMAL UNTIL YOU CAN BRING IT INTO A SHELTER PLEASE MAKE SURE IT HAS A COMFORTABLE PLACE TO LAY WITH SHELTER FROM THE ELEMENTS, IS SECURED NOT TO ESCAPE OR HARM ITSELF AND FEED/WATER THE ANIMAL. (IF THE ANIMAL IS VERY THIN, LESS IS BETTER, FEED SMALL PORTIONS SLOWLY.)

*TAKE A PICTURE OF THE ANIMAL AND POST IN ALL ARÉA LOST AND FOUND FACEBOOK PÁGES WITH A DESCRIPTION AND IF

WOUNDED.

IF YOU ARE HOSTING THE ANIMAL AND HAVE YOUR OWN PETS, KEEP THE ANIMAL AWAY FROM YOUR PETS AND SMALL* CHILDREN REMEMBERING YOU DO NOT KNOW THIS ANIMAL'S HISTORY OF BEHAVIOR OR DISEASE.

*IF CONTACTED BY THE POSSIBLE OWNER NEVER RETURN A DOG WITHOUT SOME FORM OF IDENTIFICATION TO INCLUDE HEALTH RECORD OR PERSONAL PHOTO OF THE ANIMAL.



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for allowing BRAWA to set up the Star Tree every holiday season!





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The Barren River Animal Welfare Association is a partnership of caring community members providing a safe haven for homeless companion animals. We provide animals in need with humane treatment and good homes while working to reduce the population of unwanted pets through spay/neuter programs, education, and outreach.

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Yes, I want to help BRAWA reduce the unwanted pet population by supporting the Spay/Neuter Assistance Program with my donation of:

\$10 \$25	\$50 \$100 \$250 other
Name:	Ph:
Address:	City:
Zip: Email:	

Please cut out and return with your donation in the enclosed envelope. BRAWA, P.O. BOX 171, Glasgow, KY 42142

Our Goal:

To reduce the number of unwanted dogs and cats by providing low cost spay/neuter vouchers.

If you've ever visited an animal shelter, you've seen first hand some of the thousands of pets who are homeless.

Nearly 2,500 dogs and cats came to BRAWA in 2023 and we seek to control this pet population by performing hundred: of low cost spay/neuter surgeries each year. We can't do this without you!

Please help us continue our mission to help the animals in Glasgow/Barren County!

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