

Seniors Are Ideal People To Help Pets In Need

Gina Downey has spent the past four years developing relationships with local animal rescue organizations. Her non-profit organization, North Star Pet Assistance is busy finding homes for injured and abandoned pets through their website: www.localrescue.com.

The website is a great resource for people who have lost or found an animal, because it is linked to a classified listing service. It also allows people to see photos of animals that are up for adoption.

North Star Pet Assistance is the only service that rescues animals directly from local shelters, and they take animals with special needs.

People are always needed to adopt animals into their homes, and seniors can make great adoptive “parents” for homeless pets. That’s because they usually have more time to take care of a pet, and sometimes are lonely themselves. A pet can be a welcome addition to a family.

While it’s mostly dogs that need new homes, sometimes a cat or rabbit needs to be adopted.

Right now, “Granni” a female poodle that is approximately 10 years old needs a home. She has some special needs, like requiring eye medication put in twice a day for dry eye. Her body is sensitive because she had several non-cancer-



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ous cysts removed and has staples (which will come out when she is healed). Granni has some sight problems but can see. She will look at your face and follow your hands. She responds to human attention, but is a little hard of hearing. She is full of love and spunk. Granni needs a good foster home and of course a permanent home, eventually.

North Star Pet Assistance is a 501(c)(3) charity established in 2001. Donations can be made by visiting www.localrescue.org, or by mailing to: North Star Pet Assistance, P.O. Box 1292, Apple Valley, CA 92307.

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