

SECOND CHANCE PET ADOPTIONS' 23RD ANNUAL

*Evening of
Pawsibilities*



SATURDAY, SEPTEMBER 23, 2023

FACEBOOK LIVE STREAM: 8:40 - 9:20 PM

PLEASE NOTE: ALL TIMES IN PROGRAM ARE EASTERN!

Program

FEATURING:

A SILENT AUCTION

“BUY-NOW” ITEMS

RAFFLE DRAWING

WINE & COFFEE PULLS

FACEBOOK LIVE STREAM



*Pictured: Grouper and Izzy Girl, both
adopted thanks to our supporters!*

Welcome!

To our partners in rescue,

Welcome to the 23rd annual *Evening of Pawsibilities* gala! We are so grateful for your participation this weekend; we wish we could be with you in-person, but we thank you for taking advantage of our remote participation opportunities!



The trend that began last year—shelters filling up faster than they had in prior years since animals were no longer going home with adopters or into foster care at the same rates—has sadly continued into 2023. It's always been harder to place large animals, animals with extraordinary medical needs, and animals with behavioral quirks into foster care or adoptive homes, but lately it's been hard to place even the small, healthy, well-mannered animals, too. Our partner shelters are desperate for rescues like ours to continue pulling animals to make room for more, so we're doing all we can to save every life possible. And with you on our side, we know we can make miracles happen daily.

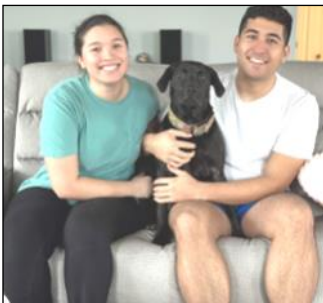
As we plow ahead in this life-saving mission, we see not only a day when every cat and dog has a loving forever family, but we also see what's vital to getting there: growth. From expanding our team to expanding our programs (including a significant boost to our spay/neuter outreach this year) and expanding our facility (an announcement we've been eager to share with you this weekend!), our partners in rescue—YOU—make it paw-sible.



Dave Ballesteros
President, Board of Directors

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GiveSmart serves as your “home base” for this event. To bid, buy, or donate so animals like Sage Spice (surrendered as a young puppy) can find their forever homes, you'll need a free GiveSmart account & to register for 2023.

Evening Timeline

Items open for viewing/adding to Watch List at 5:00 p.m. Wednesday, September 20 and for bidding/buying at 5:00 p.m. Friday, September 22. Best of luck to you!

- 7:30 RAFFLE TICKET SALES CLOSE SO GET YOUR WINNING TICKET! TO BUY TICKETS FOR THE \$1,500 AMAZON GIFT CARD, GO TO [ITEM #9 IN GIVESMART](#).
- 8:30 ALL SILENT AUCTION AND “BUY NOW” ITEMS CLOSE, INCLUDING THE WINE PULL AND COFFEE PULL (WHICH MAY SELL OUT BEFORE 8:30).
- 8:40 TUNE INTO THE FACEBOOK LIVE STREAM TO ENJOY OUR DIRECTOR’S FEATURE PRESENTATION! (GO TO WWW.FACEBOOK.COM/SECONDCHANCENC AND REMEMBER, YOU DO NOT NEED A FACEBOOK ACCOUNT TO WATCH!)
- 9:15 RAFFLE WINNER IS ANNOUNCED BEFORE THE STREAM CONCLUDES AT 9:20. THE STREAM WILL REMAIN ON OUR FACEBOOK PAGE FOR LATER VIEWING.

ARE YOU PROUD TO SUPPORT ANIMALS IN NEED? [MAKE A DONATION THROUGH GIVESMART](#) AND YOUR NAME WILL SHOW UP ON THE BIG SCREEN AT THE FRONT OF THE BALLROOM, EVEN FROM AFAR! (YOU CAN ALSO CHOOSE TO REMAIN ANONYMOUS IF YOU PREFER.)

Pick-Up and Shipping

Items will be available for pick-up at Second Chance (6003 Chapel Hill Rd, Ste 133, Raleigh) starting September 27 (more info to come via email). Some silent auction and “buy now” items can be mailed to you (free)! See our pick-up/shipping policies [BY CLICKING HERE](#).

Second Chance Programs

YOUR SUPPORT TONIGHT WILL FUND ADOPTION—AND SO MUCH MORE!

HEARTS TO HOME ANIMAL TRANSPORT PROGRAM

Through our *Hearts to Home* transport program, we rescue at-risk dogs from overcrowded county shelters in NC, foster them for roughly 4-14 days, and drive them to our partner rescues up north, where these dogs then find their forever families. If you're interested in saving dogs' lives by fostering for 10-14 days, or by driving a short leg of the journey (or both!), please contact our transport program coordinator, Megan Wencel, at H2H@SecondChanceNC.org today!

HEALING HEARTS FOR DOGS WITH HEARTWORM DISEASE

Did you know NC is among the top 10 states in the U.S. for pets with the highest rates of heartworm disease? Through *Healing Hearts*, we rescue & treat heartworm-positive dogs at no additional cost to adopters!

SNIP IT SPAY/NEUTER OUTREACH

Snip It is our newest program, with substantial growth in 2023. To reduce the number of kittens and puppies born into homelessness by the literal thousands each year, we fund various other nonprofits'/shelters' programs through which pet guardians can have their own cats and dogs, or feral cats, spayed/neutered for free or at a steep discount.

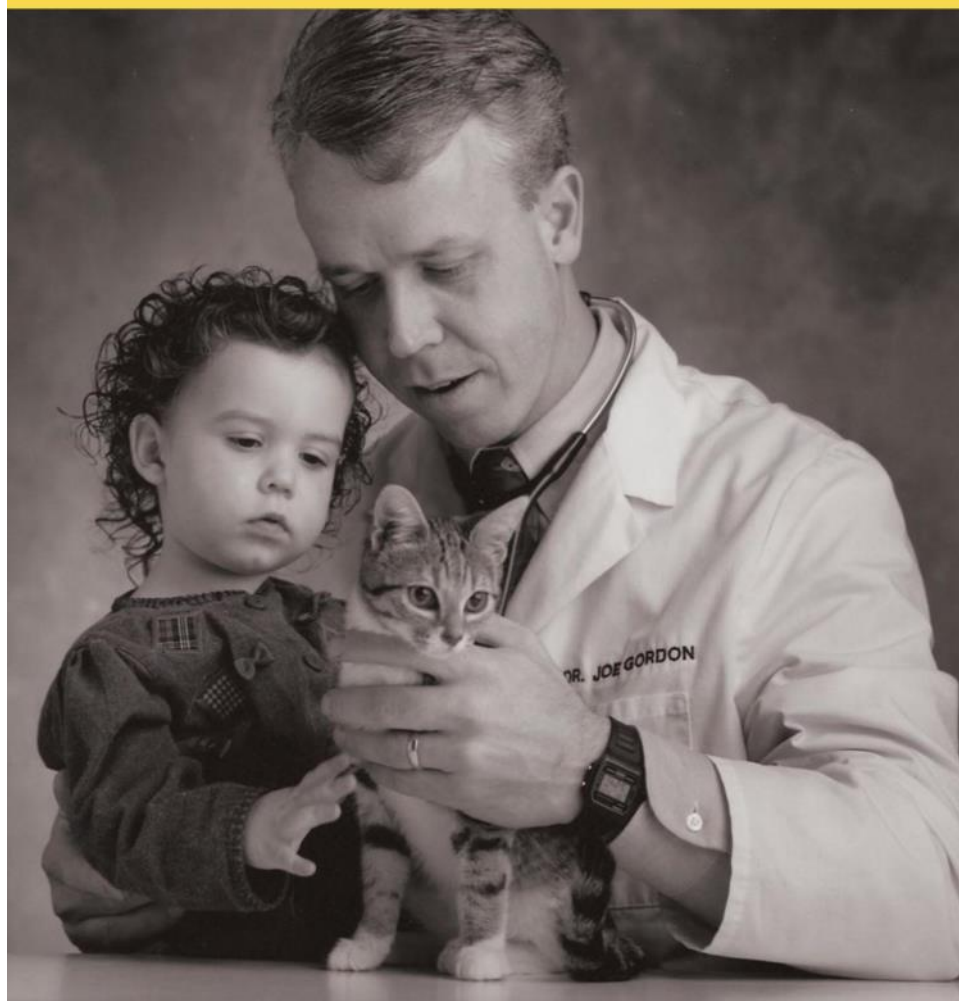
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Click the "PAY" tab in GiveSmart. We also accept cash or check at pick-up, too!

Raffle

Don't miss your chance to win a \$1,500 Amazon gift card! You'll find tickets in GiveSmart on [Item #9](#)—but hurry, as sales end at 7:30 PM!

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Wine and Coffee Pulls

Find a new favorite vino or cup of java: use the “Wine Pull” and “Coffee Pull” categories in GiveSmart, or go to the 800 and 900 series of item numbers, to select a bottle of wine or package of coffee (and you can buy as many as you'd like!). A surprise awaits: you'll receive them in your check-out bag tonight... and your wine could retail for as much as \$100!

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And a very special thank you to the too-numerous-to-mention volunteers who help every day with clinic, cat care, dog walking, adoption screening and counseling, administration, reception, and facility care!

HOW TO BID

USING *GiveSmart*

Getting started

First, make sure you've stopped by the Check-In table once you arrived—our volunteers will ensure your GiveSmart account is ready to go!

How to start bidding

Click the link in your welcome text and it will take you to your own personal bidding page. Click on an item you would like to bid on. Enter the amount and press the "Bid" button.



"Can GiveSmart bid for me?"

Absolutely! To ensure you miss nothing while you're exploring our activities, visiting with animals, and making memories with friends, set an auto bid! Click on an item, then click the "Auto Bid" tab to set your max bid (the most you'd like to commit to at this time) to keep you winning automatically until you've been outbid and need to enter a new bid.

Have you been outbid?

You'll receive a text message the moment it happens!

Did you win?

When the auction is over, you will receive a text message letting you know if you won the item(s) you bid on. Your message will also include payment instructions for a quick, convenient, and secure check-out.

Want to donate to the animals?

Simply navigate to the Items page and click on the button "\$" at the very top. Enter an amount and hit the "Donate" button. Your name will show up on the big screen at the front of the room! (Or, you can remain anonymous.)



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