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LUNA

A MIRACULOUS RECOVERY

When 6-year-old Luna came to BHRSC last summer, she was in desperate need of medical care.

And it was not a typical problem like an infection or a skin condition – she was paralyzed in her back legs and had been for almost a month, after an injury that occurred on the Fourth of July.

BHRSC volunteers immediately sought a foster home while scheduling appointments with a veterinary neurologist.

Thankfully, a family who was on the BHRSC adoption waitlist decided to foster Luna!

“We took her in and took care of her those first couple weeks, then Basset Hound Rescue took her in to see the vet and the neurologist,” foster mom Theresa said. “She had her surgery in mid-August to repair a ruptured disc that was compressing her spine.”

When the vet went in for the surgery, there was more damage to



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READ MORE ABOUT LUNA'S STORY ON PAGE 3. YOU CAN GIVE HOPE TO HOUNDS LIKE LUNA BY DONATING TODAY.

• LETTER FROM THE PRESIDENT •

Happy Fall, basset lovers!

We have been busy since I wrote my last letter to you. The truth is, every year is busy: Helping homeless hounds is a year-round effort that requires many hours of work by those in our all-volunteer organization.

We have volunteers who oversee hounds coming into rescue, including those who come to us as a result of owners surrendering their dogs, as well as shelter dogs. Especially time-intensive are our regular Hound Hauls, where we have a team of people handling the logistics of bringing homeless hounds from out of state and getting them promptly into foster homes.

Every hound that comes into our rescue goes to one of our vets for a checkup and to receive needed medical care. Not infrequently, our hounds need referrals to specialty vets, and we have volunteers who arrange that. Each hound has a volunteer team that assesses their behavior so these dogs are set up for success.

We have other volunteers who screen every foster and adoption applicant, and who follow up with fosters and adoptees to answer questions and troubleshoot medical or behavioral issues.

We staff a hotline and an email account to answer questions from the public about BHRSC. We also have a team that sends out regular email updates and writes and produces this newsletter. There is also a web team that runs our website and manages many technical issues.

Even with volunteers, saving hounds costs a lot of money. So, of course, we have a team of volunteers who work on fundraising.

You know about our major fundraising events. In the spring, we hold our annual Spring Games. As I write this, our fall fundraiser, Bids & Bites for Bassets, is only weeks away. We also hold online fundraisers, such as the ones with Krispy Kreme and Pearls for Pups, and apply for grants.

Finally, because all work and no play is not in keeping with our favorite breed, we host several get togethers a year: Valentine's Day, Beach Day and Halloween, to name a few.

And we do all this with no paid staff. This tremendous amount of work outlined above (and more) is undertaken by BHRSC solely through volunteers.

BHRSC needs more volunteers to continue to do our important work. We have many volunteers staffing multiple positions. We'd like to bring in more volunteers to not only lighten their load but help us with new and creative ideas.

Our positions range from being hands on with the hounds to positions that can be handled solely from a computer and phone. We need people with computer skills, people who like to write, people who can solicit donations from businesses, people who can drive our hounds to vet appointments or long distances for our hound hauls. We also especially need people willing to roll up their sleeves to help us put on our bigger events, such as Spring Games.

I urge you to take a moment to go to our website and click on current volunteer opportunities. Do you have the desire to volunteer but don't see an opportunity that works for you? Do you have a new fundraising idea you'd like to lead? Email us at **volunteer@bassethoundrescue.org** and we will find a way to put your talents to use for the hounds!

Pam Schmidt

VOLUNTEERS NEEDED!

FOR A FULL DESCRIPTION OF THESE POSITIONS,
PLEASE GO TO **BASSETHOUNDRESCUE.ORG/VOLUNTEER**

Events Coordinator
Giving Coordinator
Hound Haul Coordinator

Media Coordinator
Publicity Coordinator

LUNA'S MIRACULOUS RECOVERY (CONT'D. FROM PG. 1)

Luna's spinal cord than he had initially thought from the MRI.

"After the surgery, we were told she had a 50/50 chance of walking again, so we weren't quite sure what to expect, but we were hopeful," Theresa said.

Their hope turned into reality, and after months of rest and then physical therapy, Luna started walking again!

BHRSC spent more than \$10,000 on Luna's diagnostics, surgery, physical therapy, and continued medical care.

At Bids & Bites for Bassetts on Sept. 23, 2023, Luna attended as our featured hound. More than \$56,000 was raised to help hounds like Luna!

"She lives a very normal life now – she runs and jumps."



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Volunteer Position: Hotline Coordinator • **Years Volunteered:** 23 with BHRSC

What does the Hotline Coordinator do?

The hotline coordinator answers all phone communications coming into the Basset Hound Rescue Hotline, 24 hours a day, 7 days a week.

How did you get involved?

I adopted a mixed basset from a local animal shelter about 25 years ago. Bodhi was a mix between a Basset Hound and a German Shorthaired Pointer and was the wonderful hound that made me fall in love with bassets.

I started attending BHRSC's social gatherings each month in the park and made some friends. When the Hotline Coordinator position became available, one of those friends suggested that I volunteer for the job. I did and 23 years later, I'm still at it!

What's your favorite thing about being the Hotline Coordinator?

I get a lot of satisfaction answering people's questions, whether it is guiding them through the adoption process, helping them understand our process for surrendering a hound, or general questions about their bassets.



Sometimes people call in great distress and I try to comfort them and help them in any way that BHRSC can. I also have enjoyed seeing our organization grow and develop to be a top notch, first-rate rescue. It makes me proud of how hard we work and the level of dedication and professionalism.

What does volunteering bring to you?

I have always volunteered my whole life. It is a wonderful and rewarding feeling to be able to contribute to our community. I have met so many good people and learned so much. It's a win-win for all.

Interested in volunteering to help the hounds? Go to bassethoundrescue.org/volunteer



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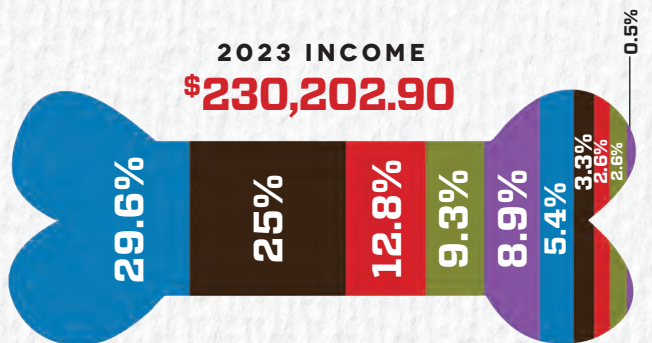
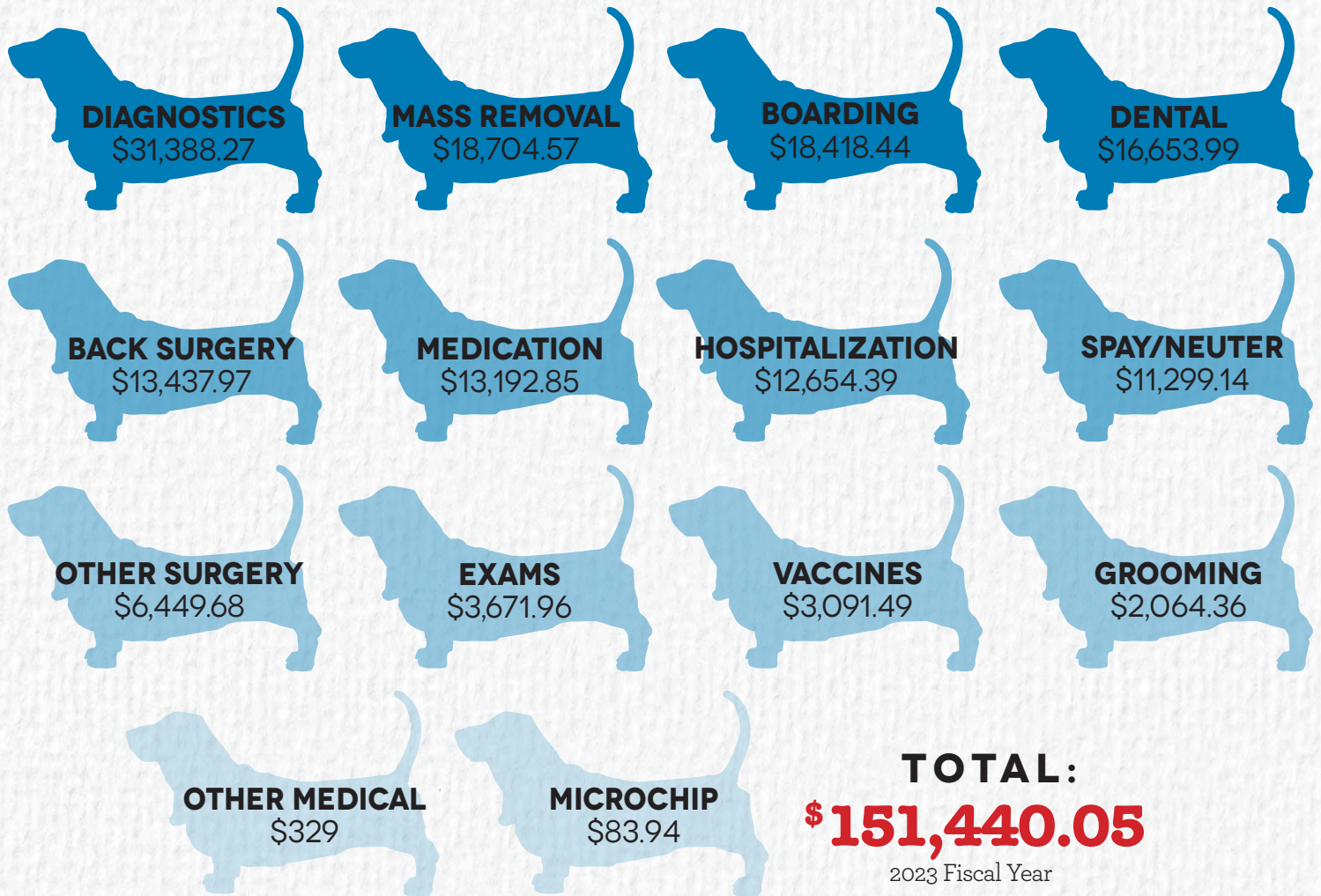


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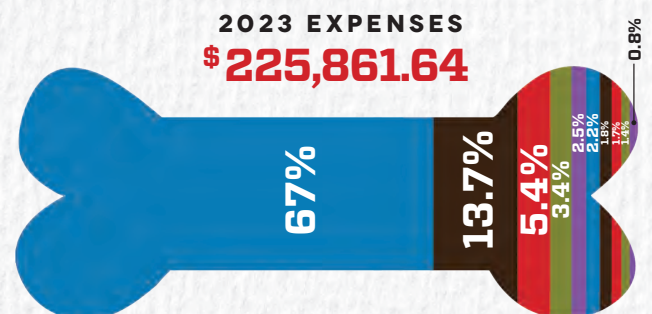
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*2023 FISCAL YEAR IS JULY 1, 2022–JUNE 30, 2023



● EVENTS	\$68,221.00	29.6%
● GENERAL DONATIONS	\$57,502.93	25%
● ADOPTION FEES	\$29,453.77	12.8%
● RECURRING DONATIONS	\$21,465.00	9.3%
● CAMPAIGNS	\$20,417.00	8.9%
● OTHER	\$12,483.05	5.4%
● MERCHANDISE	\$7,665.15	3.3%
● GRANTS	\$6,000.00	2.6%
● TRIBUTE GIFTS	\$5,930.00	2.6%
● SPECIAL BEQUESTS	\$1,065.00	0.5%



● VET EXPENSES	\$151,440.05	67%
● EVENTS	\$30,898.11	13.7%
● TRAINING/EVALUATION	\$12,084.86	5.4%
● OPERATING	\$7,785.91	3.4%
● ADVERTISING	\$5,614.86	2.5%
● FEES	\$4,987.56	2.2%
● MERCHANDISE	\$4,152.13	1.8%
● TAXES & INSURANCE	\$3,836.00	1.7%
● HOUND HAUL	\$3,208.08	1.4%
● OTHER	\$1,854.08	0.8%

• CALENDAR OF EVENTS •

23

NOVEMBER

BLACK FRIDAY SALE! 20% OFF

1 a.m. Nov. 23-Midnight,
Nov. 27 PST
BassetHoundRescue.org/shop

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NOVEMBER

GIVING TUESDAY KICK-OFF

Tuesday, November 28
to Sunday, December 3
Please give what you can.

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DECEMBER

BRUNCH WITH BASSETS

10 am to Noon
Central Park (near dog park)
Huntington Beach, CA

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APRIL

27th ANNUAL SPRING GAMES

10 am to 3 pm
William R. Mason Regional Park
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**FOR MORE DETAILS ON ALL EVENTS, VISIT
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NEW WAYS TO DONATE

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A gift of appreciated securities (stocks, mutual funds, bonds) to a public charity like the Basset Hound Rescue of Southern California may help you avoid paying a tax on the built-in capital gains and may help maximize your charitable deduction for the tax year.

As we begin to approach year end, it is a wonderful time to

BHRSC is now able to receive securities in addition to gifts via cash, check or credit card. If you would like to donate, or have any questions about the process, please reach out to treasurer@bassethoundrescue.org.

analyze your philanthropic goals and tax planning for 2023. Tax benefits should never drive the decision to give, but tax planning can ensure that you take advantage of all the incentives in the Tax Code, while benefitting the homeless hounds rescued by BHRSC.



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