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# Senior Dogs at Woods Humane Society Fetch \$7,500 Grant

## *National Nonprofit The Grey Muzzle Organization Chose Woods from 370 Applicants*



**San Luis Obispo, CA** (July 18, 2023) — Old dogs have something to wag their tails about this summer as [The Grey Muzzle Organization](https://www.greymuzzle.org/) announces the recipients of its annual grants, and dogs at [Woods Humane Society](https://www.woodshumane.org/) are among the winners.

Woods in San Luis Obispo is one of 90 animal welfare groups chosen from 370 applicants to receive a grant to help local senior dogs. The winning groups received \$848,000 in grants to help save or improve the lives of at-risk old dogs in their communities. Woods Humane Society was awarded \$7,500 to help 18 senior dogs (over seven years of age) receive pre-adoption veterinary care.

“This grant will help us give more senior dogs like 13-year-old Holly the essential veterinary care they need so they’ll be ready to go to their forever homes,” said Emily L’Heureux, CEO of Woods Humane Society.

Holly, an adorable Bichon Frisé, came to the shelter with stage-two kidney disease and significant dental disease. Woods started Holly on a prescription diet to stabilize her kidneys, performed a dental cleaning, and extracted nine teeth that were causing her pain before helping her find a loving home where she can now live out her golden years in comfort and love.

“No one is more grateful or loving than an old dog,” L’Heureux says. “We’re looking forward to helping more senior dogs get the second chance they all deserve, with the support of Grey Muzzle.”

Over the past 15 years, the national nonprofit Grey Muzzle Organization has provided more than \$4.6 million in grants to support its vision of “a world where no old dog dies alone and afraid.”

“Thanks to the generosity of our donors, we’re delighted to help deserving organizations like Woods Humane Society make a difference in the lives of dogs and people in their communities,” Grey Muzzle’s Executive Director Lisa

Lunghofer said. “Many senior dogs in San Luis Obispo County are enjoying their golden years in loving homes thanks to the wonderful work of Woods Humane Society.”

The adoption fee for senior dogs at Woods Humane Society is \$100 and includes a spay/neuter surgery, microchip, license, vaccines, parasite treatment, collar and Woods tag, temporary leash, and free wellness exam with a local veterinarian.

Woods Humane Society is located at 875 Oklahoma Ave., San Luis Obispo, CA 93405 and at 2300 Ramona Rd., Atascadero, CA 93422, and is open to the public daily from 12-5 p.m., with adoption hours from 12-4 p.m. For more information about Woods, visit [www.WoodsHumane.org](http://www.WoodsHumane.org) or call (805) 543-9316.

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### **About Woods Humane Society**

Founded in 1955, Woods Humane Society is a privately funded, non-profit, animal sheltering and welfare organization that annually places up to 3,000 dogs and cats into loving homes. All animals are spayed/neutered, vaccinated and microchipped prior to being placed for adoption. Visit [www.woodshumane.org](http://www.woodshumane.org) to view available animals, donate or learn more. To make an adoption appointment, call Woods Humane Society SLO, located at 875 Oklahoma Avenue in San Luis Obispo, at (805) 543-9316, or Woods Humane Society North County, located at 2300 Ramona Road in Atascadero, at (805) 466-5403.

### **About The Grey Muzzle Organization**

The national nonprofit [The Grey Muzzle Organization](http://The Grey Muzzle Organization) improves the lives of at-risk senior dogs by providing funding and resources to animal shelters, rescue organizations, sanctuaries, and other nonprofit groups nationwide. For details, please visit [www.greymuzzle.org](http://www.greymuzzle.org)