

Paws For News

from the Humane Society of Boulder Valley



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HUMANE SOCIETY OF BOULDER VALLEY A CAUSE FOR PAWS EVENT RAISES \$45,000 FOR HOMELESS AND ABANDONED ANIMALS

Boulder, Colo. (September 12, 2009) – Nearly 700 people of all ages, plus several hundred dogs, came together in Boulder this morning to raise more than \$45,000 for homeless and abandoned animals. It all happened during the 20th Annual A Cause for Paws Doggie Dash and Walk-A-Thon benefiting the Humane Society of Boulder Valley.

“Cause for Paws is such a fun event, and we’re so grateful for the tremendous support again this year,” said Lisa Pedersen, CEO of Humane Society of Boulder Valley. “It’s a joy to see so many wonderful examples of healthy pet and guardian relationships during the event. All funds raised today will support the Humane Society as we provide shelter, medical care and behavioral rehabilitation to more than 8,000 animals a year.”

The top pledge collectors included Renee Shires of Boulder as the top individual and Rally Software as the top team. The Doggie Dash top overall winner was Chantelle Dron (along with her dog) from Fort Collins with a time of 14:37.

This annual event, which began in 1989, is always open to the public and remains one of the shelter’s main fundraising events of the year. This year’s zero-waste event featured corporate and individual team competitions, a pet expo, paw print art, dog and guardian massages, dog

agility fun trials, a pancake breakfast, an Avery Brewing beer garden, an 80s costume contest and live music from 80s cover band A Flock of Beagles. More than 100 volunteers were on hand to help organize the event.

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About the Humane Society of Boulder Valley

The Humane Society of Boulder Valley is a community-supported, open-door facility that provides shelter, medical care and behavioral rehabilitation to more than 8,000 animals a year. Since its inception in 1902, the shelter has become one of the most recognized nonprofit organizations in the community and a national leader in animal welfare. It is the mission of the Humane Society of Boulder Valley to protect and enhance the lives of companion animals by promoting healthy relationships between pets and people. Go to www.boulderhumane.org for more information.