# STORIES THAT INSPIRED US

Our rescues are many and varied. They come to us in good shape, bad shape and barely surviving. We pour our hearts and resources into all our animals, giving them the best chance for a new life. Here are two dogs and two cats who make everything we do so worth it.



### HAZEL, Our Athletic Girl

Rescued as a stray, Hazel has been with us for 9 months. An unassuming, high energy, ball chasing, athletic girl, she began to exhibit signs of distress-gagging and retching. We took her for exams and tests. Hazel's condition was confounding and not easy to diagnose. We did not give up on her. An Internal Medicine Specialist finally diagnosed her with severe inflammation of both her stomach and intestines. Adding life-changing steroids and a special diet to her routine, she improved! Hazel is one of those rescues who will need special care for some time, maybe a lifetime. It is not easy to find a family who will take on this responsibility. But SBACC always persists. The rewards of adopting Hazel are many as she is a character. She awaits her fur-ever family who have the patience and time to help her become the healthy and happy dog we know she is.



## UPTON, Our Little Warrior

Upton is one of many kittens who have come to SBACC this season. Just when he was ready for his fur-ever family, he was exposed to ringworm and developed a severe respiratory infection that turned into pneumonia. He was hospitalized for a week, and we thought we were going to lose him, but he pulled through. He is now a teen and still has some respiratory issues but remains a sweet and playful cat. His medical bills totaled over \$10,000. Generous donors are helping to cover his treatment. Upton's story has a very happy ending. He was adopted by the specialty veterinarian who treated him and fell in love with him. He now has a mom and dad and 2 feline and 2 canine siblings.

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### **CLEMENTINA**, Our Tripod Cutie

Clementina was rescued from the street after having just delivered a litter of premature kittens who didn't survive. She had a badly broken leg that had to be amputated. Despite all she has been through, she remained a sweet, friendly young cat who loved attention, rolled over for tummy rubs, and even gave kisses! Being a tripod didn't slow her down one bit and she soon found her forever home. Your generous donations help us give our dogs and cats excellent medical care as they wait for a home of their own.



#### **GRADY**, Our Super Senior Companion

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