



# The GSROR Quarterly

German Shepherd Rescue of the Rockies  
A Colorado Non-Profit Organization 501 (c)(3)

## 3 Simple Steps to Plan for the Unexpected

Too often arrangements are not in place for family pets should something happen to the owner. As a result, “widowed” pets are either forgotten about or end up in a shelter. The best way to avoid such a sad outcome for your pets is to have a plan in place. Here are the steps to take:

1. Ask a friend or neighbor to be your contact person who knows your pets and can get to them if something happens.
2. Carry a “Pet Alert Card” in your wallet to let emergency personnel know that there are pets at home that need to be cared for and include the name and number of your contact person.
3. Have a legal document professionally drawn up that specifies your wishes regarding your pets if something happens (see resource below). Then, give the document to those who would be able to make sure your pets are safe, such as family or friends. This might mean making arrangements for financial support for the care of your pets, as well.

(LegalZoom.com has legal documents available online for a fee. Here is one for creating a Pet Trust: <http://www.legalzoom.com/personal/estate-planning/pet-protection-agreement-overview.html> This is Not an endorsement of Legalzoom.com, but merely one resource possibility. As always, consult professionals on legal questions.)

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## GSROR is now a part of the AmazonSmile Charity Program

Have you ever wondered if there are other ways of helping German Shepherd Rescue of the Rockies in addition to donating, adopting, or fostering? Well, now there is! GSROR is happy to announce that we are now registered with the AmazonSmile Charity Program. This shopping option allows Amazon customers to select a “Supporting Charity,” such



*“AmazonSmile is a simple and automatic way for you to support your favorite charitable organization every time you shop, at no cost to you”  
([smile.amazon.com](http://smile.amazon.com))*

as GSROR, and then for every eligible purchase, the AmazonSmile Foundation will donate 0.5% to the chosen charity. We're very excited to be a part of this program as it enables donors to do their normal shopping while supporting an important cause. All you have to do is sign into your Amazon account through [smile.amazon.com](http://smile.amazon.com) and select the charity of your choice. We hope you will choose GSROR and make some dogs very happy. For more information, please visit [www.smile.amazon.com](http://www.smile.amazon.com)

# Every One of These Dogs Would Love to Find a Forever Home

## Available Dogs



**SHILOH**

Oh, those ears!

Shiloh is about 3 years old. She likes playing with toys and relaxing at home.



**KIKI**

Kiki is about a year old and could use a little confidence building. She is sweet and sensitive and eager to learn.



**THEO**

This 3 year old boy is proud to say that he recently graduated from a training school. Theo's very affectionate and enjoys playing fetch.



**POLLY**

Polly is about 3-4 years old. She has a mature demeanor and enjoys walks.





## ZEUS

Don't let the grey around my muzzle fool you...I am a kid at heart. Zeus is around 10 years old and always ready for a little lovin'.



## GINA

Gina is people friendly, enjoys taking walks and playing with her favorite bunny toy. She is 6 years old.



## SANDRA

Sandra is about 8 months old GSD/Yellow Lab mix. She is house trained and knows to sit for a cookie (Well, who wouldn't?)



## BOBBY JO

Bobby Jo lost her home because her dad was being deployed in the military. She is a 4 year old, mild-mannered sweetie who plays fetch like a champ.



## SONYA

Sonya is about 8 months old GSD/Yellow Lab mix. She is house trained and crate trained and ready to learn more.

For more information about our dogs or about GSROR,  
please visit our website at [www.gsror.com](http://www.gsror.com)



### ATHENA

Athena is a 4 year old female looking for a quiet home with adults who will help her build her confidence. She loves car rides and taking walks.



### MAGGIE

Maggie is a 7 year old sweetie and thinks going on walks is the best thing ever. She is crate trained and knows basic commands.



### EVIE

Evie loves everybody! She's 8 months old and was born with an eye defect. She is still learning house manners, but is always up for a game of fetch.



### BUDDY

4 year old Buddy likes taking brisk walks and hanging by your side. He has good house manners and is very sweet.



## JUST A REMINDER...

Getting outdoors with your dog in the summer is one of the best times of the year!

Just remember that if you take your dog to play in the park or go on a walk, bring **water** for them and avoid the hottest part of the day when the pavement can **burn** the pads of their feet.

# IT'S TOO HOT TO LEAVE YOUR DOG IN THE CAR

Dogs suffer from heatstroke and die every year when owners leave them in parked, hot cars. Leaving the windows down or parking in the shade is not enough to prevent this.

AFTER JUST 10 MINUTES...

OUTSIDE



70°

85°

90°

IN CAR



90°

102°

109°



## Social Media and Pet Websites Help Unite Lost Pets with their Owners

If you've ever lost a pet, you know how scary that can be; and if you never found your pet, you know how heartbreaking it is. Fortunately, thanks to the internet, there are many new ways to look for a missing pet in addition to hanging flyers and calling your neighbors. Here is a list of some websites on which you can register your pet(s) and/or report a missing pet:



[www.lostmydoggie.com](http://www.lostmydoggie.com) and [www.lostmykitty.com](http://www.lostmykitty.com)  
[www.missingpetpartnership.org](http://www.missingpetpartnership.org)  
[www.lostpetusa.net](http://www.lostpetusa.net)  
[www.lostdogsofamerica.org](http://www.lostdogsofamerica.org)  
[www.fidofinder.com](http://www.fidofinder.com)

Also, consider posting photos on Facebook, Twitter, Craig's List, just to name a few. And as always, contact your local shelter and make sure your pet has ID- tags and microchip.



# BENEFITS OF FOSTER HOMES and Tax Deductions

~The goal of German Shepherd Rescue of the Rockies is to find loving, forever homes for every dog that comes through our door. ~

When dogs enter our care, they have to wait for the right family to come along. Since we do not run GSROR out of a facility, we rely on foster volunteers to open their homes and hearts and offer a better environment for our dogs to live in temporarily. The benefits of living in foster homes are numerous:



- Warm, safe home environment
- Opportunity to receive training
- Special care for any medical issues
- Ability to socialize with people and sometimes other animals.

But *DID YOU KNOW* that in addition to being a highly valued member of our rescue, being a foster parent also has a tax deduction perk?

As a foster parent, you can deduct some of the expenses you incur while fostering a pet for a 501 (c)(3) non-profit organization, like GSROR. Such expenses might include:

- Veterinary bills
- Pet food
- Pet equipment
- Travel expenses obtained specifically for the pet rescue.

For more information, please check with your local tax professional, accountant or attorney.

To learn more about how to become a foster parent for GSROR, please visit [www.gsror.com](http://www.gsror.com).

## Our Mission Statement

German Shepherd Rescue of the Rockies (GSROR) serves the public as a non-profit organization dedicated to the rescue of homeless and abandoned German Shepherd Dogs (GSD). While providing loving, temporary homes for our dogs in rescue we get them vetted and spend time getting to know them personally so we can place them in the home that best fits their needs. Our goal of German Shepherd Rescue of the Rockies is to find well-matched, carefully-screened, permanent homes and families for each dog. As a community resource, we provide nutrition information, referrals, education, training tips and other services.

Newsletter created by GSROR volunteer TL Derheim

## DONATIONS ALWAYS WELCOME~

Yes, I'd like to help GSDs in need. Here is a contribution to GSROR in the amount of \$\_\_\_\_\_.

Name: \_\_\_\_\_

Address: \_\_\_\_\_

City, ST: \_\_\_\_\_

Zip: \_\_\_\_\_

Phone: \_\_\_\_\_

Email: \_\_\_\_\_

Please mail this coupon, along with your check or money order to:

**GSROR**  
**P.O. Box 1481**  
**Westminster, CO 80036**

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