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**San Antonio Pets Alive! Receives Grant to Give Hope to Charlie,
a Dog With Medical Needs**

San Antonio, TX- San Antonio Pets Alive! is grateful for a \$1,000 grant received this week from The Petfinder Foundation. The grant was given to facilitate the medical treatment of Charlie, a dog rescued from euthanasia at the city shelter this past July.

Charlie has a host of medical issues stemming from neglect. He came to SAPA! severely obese, heartworm positive, and with some serious orthopedic issues. After spending time in the SAPA! medical clinic, SAPA! was able to place Charlie with a medical foster to allow him to lose weight and begin to heal in a loving home. After months of slow, short walks, Charlie is down about 15 lbs and ready to start treatment for his orthopedic issues.

Director of Operations, Clare Callison said “ It is our goal to help every animal in our care to live a long, happy, and healthy life. These funds from The Petfinder Foundation will allow us to get Charlie on the right track to do just that. It is sad what a life of neglect has done to Charlie, but now he is safe with us and we'll make sure that he receives loving care as he continues his journey to a forever home.”

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About San Antonio Pets Alive!- San Antonio Pets Alive! is a 501c3 non-profit organization dedicated to saving the lives of dogs and cats in San Antonio. The animals saved are unique in that they are rescued directly from the at-risk population at San Antonio Animal Care Services (ACS) . SAPA! is the last hope for these animals and we work hard to make sure that we don't let them down. SAPA!'s life-saving programs include the parvo puppy ward, neonatal kitten nursery, and the new transport program. Thousands of animals that otherwise have no other options are saved by these innovative medical programs. Once safe, these animals are cared for and adopted through foster and adoption programs. Since SAPA's inception in 2012 SAPA has saved over 38,000 companion animals from euthanasia.

About The Petfinder Foundation- The Petfinder Foundation supports the shelters and rescue groups that post their adoptable pets on Petfinder.com. Our mission is to prevent the euthanasia of adoptable pets. A nonprofit 501(c)3 public charity, we help organizations throughout North America increase adoptions, respond to and recover from disaster, and become more sustainable. The Petfinder Foundation provides cash and product grants so that homeless pets can be physically and mentally healthy and, ultimately, find loving forever homes.