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San Antonio Pets Alive! and Petco Foundation Celebrate All-Star Local Volunteer

Carla Miller honored as one of 50 lifesaving foster volunteers in the nation

San Antonio, Texas – This Saturday San Antonio Pets Alive! (SAPA) and the Petco Foundation invite the community to celebrate the volunteer work of Carla Miller, a San Antonio resident. As part of the Petco Foundation's Be A Foster event, Carla Miller was nominated by San Antonio Pets Alive! as an All-Star Foster and selected as one of 50 foster volunteers in the nation to receive a \$150 Petco shopping spree.

Carla Miller has fostered more than 33 dogs for San Antonio Pets Alive! "Carla Miller is a lifesaver! She focuses on SAPA's medium and large dogs, the group of dogs most at risk of being euthanized. She is an incredible foster for our transport program, she finds it works well with her busy schedule. The short commitment, allows her to have a big impact, despite working a full time job," said Rebecca Mayberry, Director of Philanthropy.

According to Mayberry, "Carla Miller has also taken on a leadership volunteer role with SAPA, now being a wonderful mentor for new fosters. She provides quick online guidance, promptly answers new fosters questions and helps each of them along with the process. She also recruits new fosters, in order to save urgent dogs at the city shelter."

"Foster volunteers are lifesaving heroes," said Petco Foundation president, Susanne Kogut. "They work tirelessly to care for the most vulnerable animals and we are proud to be able to celebrate their work."

Carla Miller will be celebrated with a \$150 shopping spree at Petco courtesy of the Petco Foundation during the Be A Foster event.

Date: Saturday, June 30

Time: 11:00 am

Location: 6001 Northwest Loop 410, San Antonio, TX 78238

Media Opportunity: Photo and interview opportunity with All-Star foster, Carla Miller

During the Be A Foster event, SAPA's Petco adoption coordinator will be on hand to show dogs available for adoption at this Petco location. In addition, SAPA will

- Provide more information about how to become a foster
- Accept applications to become a foster family
- Accept donations of wish list items

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- Introduce families to pets who are ready to be fostered or adopted

Since 2011, SAPA has saved the lives of more than 40,000 dogs and cats in San Antonio with the goal of finding them loving families.

Since 1999, the Petco Foundation, has invested more than \$200 million in lifesaving animal welfare organizations in communities across the country.

For more information about San Antonio Pets Alive! or the Petco Foundation, visit www.sanantoniopetsalive.org or www.petcofoundation.org. Join the conversation on [Facebook](#), [Twitter](#) and [Instagram](#) or by using the hashtag #BeALifesaver.

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About the Petco Foundation

At the Petco Foundation, we believe that every animal deserves to live its best life. Since 1999, we've invested more than \$200 million in lifesaving animal welfare work to make that happen. With our more than 4,000 animal welfare partners, we inspire and empower communities to make a difference by investing in adoption and medical care programs, spay and neuter services, pet cancer research, service and therapy animals, and numerous other lifesaving initiatives. Through our Think Adoption First program, we partner with Petco stores and animal welfare organizations across the country to increase pet adoptions. So far, we've helped more than 5.5 million pets find their new loving families, and we're just getting started. Visit petcofoundation.org to learn more about how you can get involved.