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Hi, Erin!

If ever there were animals in our care who need peacefully-ever-afters and soft places to rest their heads, it's our senior dogs and cats. Senior pets are frequently overlooked because of their age and medical needs, which only deepens our commitment to helping them thrive. LifeLine's bighearted community of donors makes their specialized care possible—both in the shelters and in foster. Thank you for helping to make their twilight years happy, healthy ones. With giant thanks for support from Bates & Bates, all senior adoption fees have been waived thus far in 2026.

In these animals' honor—and with thanks for your nurturing contributions—May's newsletter is dedicated to senior pet success stories. Grab a hanky and meet just a sampling of the 215 (and counting!) golden oldies that have found their families this year!

Safe & Sound



“While I completely understand that a 13-year-old, three-legged dog might not be the most sought-after pup for many families, I can honestly say **Parc** has turned out to be absolutely perfect for me. I know our time together won't be as long as I wish it could be, but I feel incredibly lucky to be able to give Parc a safe, comfortable, and love-filled home for his senior years. He doesn't need much—just a cozy place to rest, a little sunshine, and someone who loves him.

I ended up buying a super low bed frame, about 3 inches off the ground, so he can always climb into bed and get cozy with me. Honestly, I may have bought my own bed just for him!

I knew pretty quickly this would be a “foster fail,” and I wouldn't change a thing. I understand why he may have been overlooked—but I feel incredibly lucky that he was, because it meant

he found his way to me. Thank you all for everything you do and for trusting me with him.” -
Katie



“I went to FCAS to look for a Weekend Warrior, and I saw **Greggy** sitting politely looking at me. I saw he was 8 years old and at higher risk, so I took him home for what I thought was going to be the weekend. He immediately attached himself to me and followed me everywhere. At the end of the weekend, I asked to keep him longer... and I never took him back. I realized I would do anything for him. He was biting his nails off, biting his tail, and having trouble with leaking when I first got him, so I made multiple vet trips to make sure he was ok.

He woke up one morning with one eye being rolled back. The vet said it might never go back to normal. A couple weeks into fostering, I realized he had anxiety-based reactivity, and I was privileged enough to be able to send him to a board and train place, get him on anxiety meds, and I've been working with him to help his anxiety for the past 8 months. His behavior has drastically improved, and I've gotten to take him to the mountains, the beach, and the lake. His eye is completely back to normal, he's not biting his nails, and the fur on his tail has fully grown back. I'm so happy that I got to give him another chance at life, especially as a senior dog, and a cozy bed to sleep in for the rest of his life. More importantly, he's my best friend and has such an amazing personality that makes every day so much better.

Adopting Greggy has been the best decision I've ever made—not only have I helped a dog out, but he's helped me out even more and easily became my best friend.” -Sarah



Ahri hasn't had the easiest life, and unfortunately shelter life was nothing new to her. After she was originally adopted from a shelter in Ohio, the adopter moved to Georgia to get married and discovered the new husband was severely allergic. So Ahri ended up at Fulton County Animal Shelter where she received a lot of attention and spent some time in a foster home. After returning from a foster stay, she went out on a Weekend Warrior adventure where she met her new mom. It was love at first sight, and Ahri's new mom says this girl is a marvelous addition to her pack!



Lotties is deaf, declawed, and has lots of medical issues, and, as a result has been in and out of adoptive homes. At the shelter, he was beloved by all staff and a volunteer favorite. He talks a lot, and he's really loud about it—likely because he's deaf and doesn't know how loud he is! Though it took some time, he finally found his forever family and happy ending.



Foretee is a cute-looking senior with a spicy attitude. He was in and out of our shelter for a few months, seeking the perfect fit with someone whose moxie matched his. That day came when an adopter heard about Foretee and said they empathized with being misunderstood. The rest, as they say, is history.



More adopted seniors for the wall of fame

Ready & Waiting

If you feel moved to adopt a senior, check out these sweeties still in LifeLine's care. They're ready to give (and get!) all the love.



Freckles' foster mom says, "Freckles is your gentle shadow, the kind of dog who makes a house feel softer just by being in it. She's fully committed to her golden era: slow mornings, sniffy strolls, and perfectly timed naps."



Oscar is a big, beautiful, 10-year old boy with FIV. He came to LifeLine in January and is currently in foster. According to his foster mom, he loves napping under his yellow fleece blanket.



Foghorn's "signature move is to lean against your leg and flash you his baby blues, mesmerizing you into petting him as though it's your life's purpose," says his foster mom. At nearly 12 years old, this hound, "loves" outdoor adventures full of sniffs, a fine game of retrieve, tracking varmints, and - when he is truly in his feelings - singing the song of his people.



At 10 years old, **Micheal** “has a sweet, goofy charm that makes him a volunteer favorite. He greets the world with a soft curiosity.”
What a handsome one.

Thanks for joining us for this senior spotlight! We’re so glad and grateful you’re a part of this compassionate community.

Thanks for reading all about your lifesaving impact on Atlanta’s animals. If you have any questions about the work LifeLine is doing or how you can stay involved, please [email Jennifer Eddy](#), LifeLine’s Chief Development Officer. We’d love to hear from you!



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