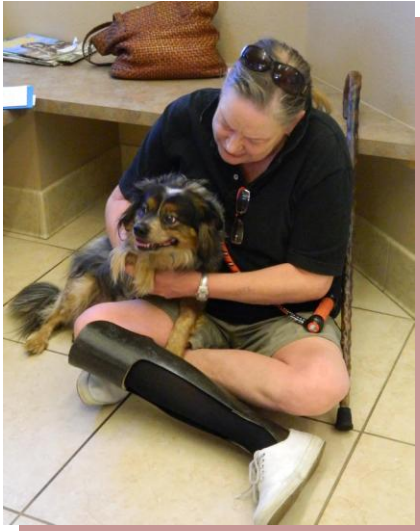


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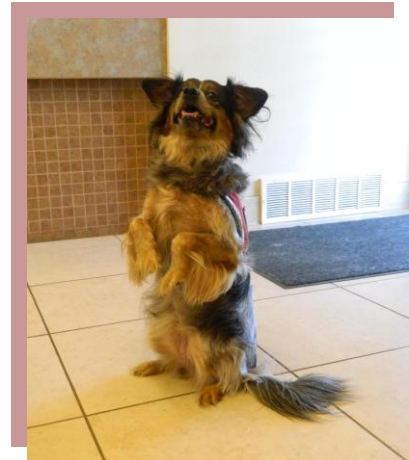


Katy Hunting and her assistance dog, Chloe, share a bond tighter than most. Katy relies on little Chloe to bring her the cane and crutches that help Katy get around. Chloe also helps Katy navigate the stairs. Once, she even saved Katy's life while out walking. A herd of deer charged out of nowhere to cross the street and Katy would have been run over had Chloe not knocked her to the ground and stayed on top of her. An assistance dog and loyal guardian!

So, when Chloe had trouble jumping a small distance, then developed a suspicious lump on her chest, Katy needed to get her helper checked out quickly. Problem

was Katy has been disabled for some years and didn't have extra income for an emergency. Harley's Hope Foundation was in a position to help out thanks to several foundation grants. Fortunately for Katy and Chloe, the lump turned out to be benign and Chloe's blood work came back normal. That would be relief enough for most of us worried about our pets, but for someone like Katy, who absolutely relies on her companion and assistance animal; the news was more like a godsend.

P.S. If Chloe looks familiar it's because she's the poster dog for the library district's Paws to Read program.



Poor little Phoenix is a lover, not a fighter. So, when his "mom" Roseanne's niece came to visit and accidentally let him outdoors, Phoenix found himself in the position of defending his honor - face first. Roseanne, who is disabled, spent an anxious night wondering where Phoenix was. She was relieved when he showed up the next morning, but concerned that he came home sporting a souvenir of his great adventure - a bite wound right next to his eye. Fortunately for all, a quick trip to the veterinarian some wound care treatment, and Phoenix was on his way back home. His wound is healing nicely and hopefully, that will be his first, and last, adventure in the great outdoors.

Heather had the unwelcome distinction of becoming HHF's 40th recipient through the Assistance Fund. With her family struggling financially, a veterinary emergency was the last thing she needed. Her 11- year old Cocker Spaniel mix, Sundance, however, needed help fast. Sundance, who suffers from degenerative disc disease, was in excruciating pain - barely able to move. After calling HHF and being approved for assistance, the family made a hurried trip from their home in



Foundation to the Animal Emergency Care Center South. Sundance received immediate pain care, a thorough exam, and was sent home with a combination of medications designed to ease his discomfort. He'll probably have to take medication indefinitely in order to enjoy some quality of life, but he's surrounded by the people who have loved him since puppy hood, and who have made a commitment to provide him with the medications he needs, no matter what.

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