



December 2022



In this week just before Christmas we wanted to reach out to say Happy Pawlidays and wish you and yours a happy joyous pawliday!

In this past month we here at FAAN Headquarters and the extended FAAN Pack have been busy little elves.

Read on to see what we've been up to, what we have coming in January, into the New Year, see how far we've come in our goal toward the new shelter AND learn about upcoming opportunities for you to be involved in the months ahead.

We've accomplished alot this last month and we are excited and looking forward to the New Year and new opportunities to get to know you better in the process of helping to improve the lives of more dogs.

THANK YOU for being a part of our FAAN Pack!

We appreciate you and wish you the very best pawliday ever!

Recent Events



On November 29th and 30th we had a FAAN-tastic two night Vino and vanGogh event at San Sebas Café



Thank you to San Sebas Café, Amelia Earl, Mike Lella and Deb McKenzie for sponsoring Vino & van Gogh for our November FAAN Event and for all those who came out to share community and creativity to benefit the development of Cuenca's new animal shelter. Mike, Deb & Amelia enter our Silver Paws Circle of Benefactors for raising over \$600 in our goal to purchase the new land for FAAN's creation of Ecuador's most modern and sustainable shelter.

We wish all of our FAAN Family a very happy and healthy holiday season. Your support through volunteerism, participation in our events and contributions to our shelter fund is not only helping the 142+ dogs in our care, you're helping us fulfill our dream where Cuenca becomes known for the care and kindness of all animals in our city.



Santa Paws: The adorable pup on the left is Bianca and she wants nothing more than to find her furever home for Christmas!

Paws Circle

Our grassroots community of animal lovers in Ecuador and around the world started FAAN's capital campaign in the fall of 2022 hosting events to raise both awareness and to secure volunteers and donors.

To date we've raised \$6013 through our community events and the creation of a Benefactor's Donation Circle: Gold Paws: \$1,000 + Silver Paws \$500+ Bronze Paws Circle \$100 +.

These generous donors will have their gift memorialized at the new shelter with their family name/pet's name on a plaque at the beautiful, park like grounds of the new shelter.

We ask that you consider joining our Paws Circle of Friends and Volunteers and attending our upcoming 2023 events like "Breakfast with Dogs" "Walking with Dogs" and "Vino & van Gogh".

We know how to PAWTY so look for our fun and creative calendar of new events in 2023.

We will have both community and virtual events to support buying the new shelter property.

Watch for a Save the Date notice for our FAAN Anniversary Party in May!



Your family and your pet can join our Circle of PAWS Benefactors: 1) Through a check payable to our 501-C-3 sister foundation in the US for eligible tax-deduction 2) PayPal 3) Bank transfer or 4) Secure cash pick-up in Cuenca



NEW!!!

We have a new website!

Thank you to the community volunteers who raised their hands to create our new FAAN website in English and Spanish.

We give special thanks to our webmaster, Dennis Oppelt from Canada and Costa Rica who joins our Gold Paws Circle through his donation of web design and maintenance.

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Share the FAAN site with your friends in social media. Leverage your network as an animal lover and influencer by encouraging your friends through personal outreach to join you in the FAAN Paws Circle of Love.

Here you'll also find our lovable dogs now ready for adoption, latest updates on upcoming events, the shelter project and volunteer jobs that are just looking for your special skills.





Santa Paws

Secret Santas



The number of dogs at the shelter changes as more are brought in and some lucky ones find forever homes.

Currently we have 142 dogs in our care.

So far we have had 150 generous people step forward to be Secret Santa's. Their gifts of toys, food, supplies and funds will help to provide each of our dogs a gift for Christmas.

There is still time to donate if you would like to be a Secret Santa.

Every dog deserves to feel a touch of kindness at Christmas and every day.

You may also be a year long Santa with a regular monthly contribution or help us find another generous person who would like to be.

Upcoming
Events



January 14th



National Dress Up Your Pet Day!

Celebrate by dressing up your furry family member in comfortable pet clothing—Maybe even get matching outfits if you want to get a little crazy.

If it were any normal day, people would be staring at you and your dog as you walk down the street. However, on National Dress Up Your Pet Day, matching outfits are not only accepted but encouraged.

This chance only comes once a year to wow your neighbors and to unleash the inner diva of your favorite pet.

FAAN would like us all to celebrate by having our friends sharing a photo of your pet and you. We will be assembling a montage of our animal lovers and offering a prize for the most original and creative Pawtrait!

To join the fun, visit the [FAAN website here](#).



Volunteering
Opportunities

FAAN Volunteer Orientation and Opportunities Meeting in January

We will be hosting a meeting in January where we will provide many upcoming opportunities where you may be able to help out and for prospective FAAN volunteers to learn more about us.

Why not bring in the New Year with a new part time adventure in which you can donate your time and talents to help the animals?

All of our volunteer jobs are flexible and there are many opportunities that may be done from anywhere in the world.

You are welcome and encouraged to join us here locally in Cuenca and from anywhere in the World.

To realize our dream of creating the new shelter and moving our dogs by June, we need all types of skill sets from accounting to writing/photography to planning and working events, to working at the temporary and the new shelter and so much more.

We also need people who can translate verbally and in writing English and Spanish.

Reach out to talk with our English speaking volunteer coordinators *Rosemary and Barry Rein* at reinrosemary@gmail.com or by calling in the US (239)666-8054 or in Ecuador 099-233-2453

We would love to add your skills and talents to our FAAN Pack!



Adopt

Big, small, young, old.....

**We currently have 142+dogs residing at
the FAAN Shelter in Tarqui.**

**Here are a few that are ready for their
fur-ever homes.**

**Do you have room in your heart to help
these loving pups find their homes?**

**You may help by adopting,
volunteering, donating and by helping
us get the word out.**

It all helps.

You help.

Thank you!



Updates

We Want To Thank You!

Thanks to the FAAN Team of Board Members and Community Volunteers, we're moving forward in creating a better life for Cuenca's Animals:

- 1) We've raised \$6013 toward our \$65,000 goal
- 2) We've created and are growing a Paws Circle of Benefactors to benefit the new shelter. Please consider joining us.
- 3) BOW WOW! We now have a new website in English and Spanish
- 4) We are an official non-profit in Ecuador with a sister non-profit in the US.
- 5) We've had spectacular volunteer and community engagement including the creation of a 2023 strategic roadmap and monthly events including Walking with Dogs, Breakfast with Dogs, Vino & van Gogh.
- 6) 150 paw-some people have become Secret Santa's donating gifts and funds so all of the 142+ dogs at the shelter will have some joy at Christmas!

2023 will be the year we have a permanent home for our animals with your continued volunteer work and support.

THANK YOU!

Please join us in January to find out how you may help moving forward. We'd love to see you!