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SEE THE TEAM ON PAGE TWO!



CAN YOU KEEP US IN THE GAME?

The Clock is Running Out for the Dogs of Northern Lights

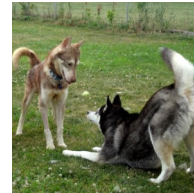
It's been another long year since we've had to reach out to you for help on behalf of our "team", the homeless dogs of Northern Lights Sled Dog Rescue. We've given our best effort to the dogs since long before this tough season began, carefully managing our limited resources without sacrificing the care the dogs need. We've searched out donations of high quality food for the "training table". We've acquired a new network of "team doctors" who provide the best possible care (while offering very generous discounts and "freebies") to get and keep our dogs as healthy and strong as possible. We've

got a bigger and better group of dedicated volunteer "coaches" than ever before! The majority of our dogs don't have foster families due to the sheer number we take in, and these committed volunteers make regular enrichment visits to the many dogs in paid boarding at the kennel. They are doing amazing work turning broken spirits into winning spirits! **In short, we've worked our hardest to make sure each dog is ready on the day of his or her "Big Game"** - the day someone like you chooses your own MVP and leads him or her off the field of rescue and into a new life.

But our effort has been nothing compared to that of these incredible dogs. They are our inspiration. Each has faced unique struggles and challenges before being "drafted" for the team. Once onboard, they work tirelessly to show us their own special strengths (and needs) so that we can place them in the best possible position come that all-important "Game Day"—the day they meet adopters. Many dogs have to put their heart and soul into keeping a positive mental attitude after being passed over again and again. We know their day will come, and we know that YOU believe in them, too! **Together, we can continue to help every dog eventually win his or her very own "Forever Team".**



Tackled! Possible Penalty on the Play.



One, two, three, Omaha, HUT!



Interception! Running for the TD!

But even with all this, it's been a very tough season. Everything hinges on this game, and the clock is running down. We're still standing and have the will to win, but we've been beleaguered by a truly daunting "offense" - and our ability to play on is compromised. We've been sacked repeatedly and we're bruised and bleeding from high medical bills, having suffered an unusually-large number of dogs on the "injured reserve" list. We've also moved a number of dogs into "retirement", where we will meet our commitment to support them for the rest of their lives. Despite a very successful adoptions year so far, we've been moved farther and farther from the goal line by the never-ending stream of dogs in need—which means higher boarding AND medical costs. And finally, we've been blitzed by a decline in donations since last holiday season. Since we operate 100% on contributions from people like you—our adopters and friends—we're starting to get scared. **We desperately need the support of that "Twelfth Man" - YOU! THE DOGS HAVE THE WILL AND THE HEART AND THE HOPE TO STAY IN THE GAME.** But we are writing today because all we have left is this "Hail Mary" pass. **THESE SWEET, HOPEFUL BOYS & GIRLS NEED YOUR HELP!**

WILL YOU CATCH THEIR "HAIL MARY" PASS BEFORE IT'S TOO LATE? WON'T YOU PLEASE GIVE AS GENEROUSLY AS YOU CAN TODAY?

Your Donation is Tax Deductible

DONATE INSTANTLY ONLINE

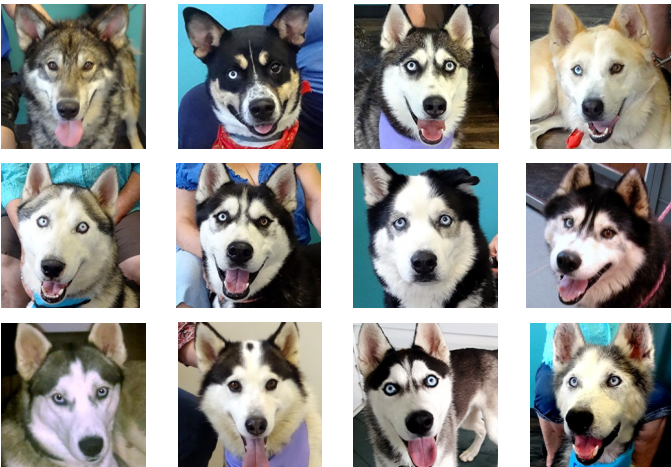
Via PayPal at www.paypal.com payable to SaveASledDog@aol.com

OR DONATE BY CHECK

NLSDR, PO Box 7281, Greenwood, IN 46142

OUR CURRENT ROSTER

(Boys in Boarding & Boys in Foster—Waiting for Forever Homes)



From top row, left to right: STANNIS, PENGUIN, DRAKE, BENTLEY, RUFUS, LUKE, EVEREST, FARGO & HICKORY (all in boarding) and KAI, MALAKAI & MASHUGGA (all in foster)

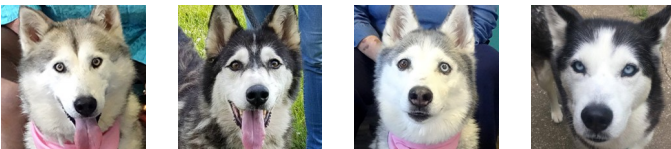
Please Help Us!

Let them speak to your heart ... See all of these terrific dogs and either hear or read how they beat the odds and got their second chance at happiness at

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SENIOR CHEERLEADERS

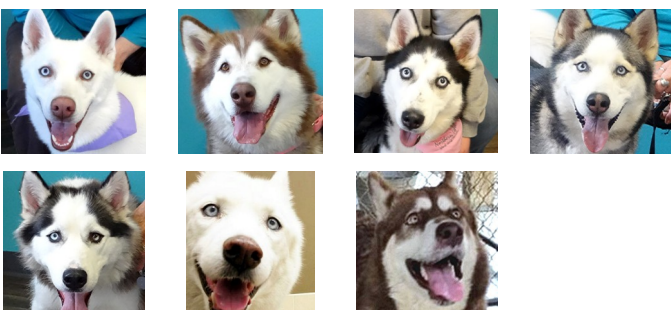
(Senior Girls in Need of Forever or Foster Homes)



Left to right: MIA, WILLOW (both in foster) and SAVANNAH & MAYA (both in NEED of foster)

JUNIOR CHEERLEADERS

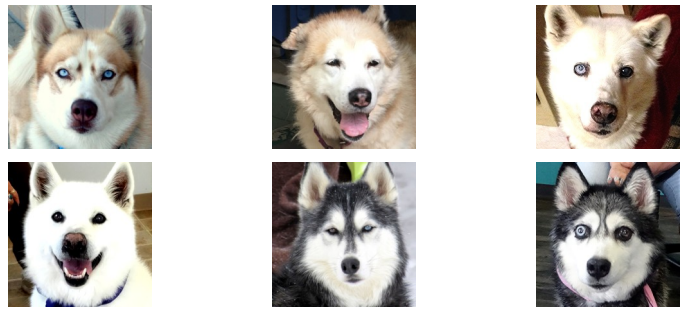
(Girls in Boarding—With Your Help We Can Say "Yes" to More and Add to the Squad!)



From top row, left to right: DIXIE, STAASI, JADIS, NATASHA, LEIA, SOPHIE KIM, & EMBER

RETIREES & "DIFFERENTLY-ABLED"

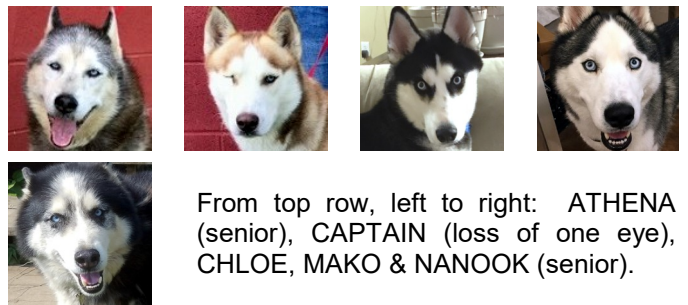
(Dogs in "Sanctuary" - They will Live Out Their Lives in Foster, Financed by NLSDR)



From top row, left to right: **GRISSOM** (progressive neurological condition), **BRANDY** (taken in as a formerly-chained elderly dog in heart-breaking condition), **JAKE** (taken in as "broken" old dog, dumped in the country, in grave condition, requiring extensive medical care), **BAUER** (taken in as a senior, has a chronic illness), **KANE** (suffers severe epilepsy) & **SEQUOIA** (dumped by family at age 13, significant dental work required).

RECRUITS

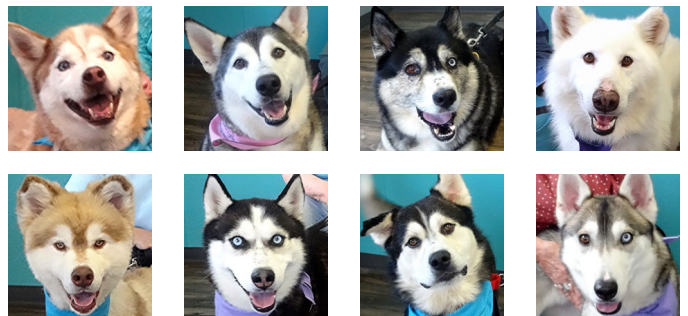
(Confirmed Coming Soon or In the Queue for Available Space and Funding)



From top row, left to right: ATHENA (senior), CAPTAIN (loss of one eye), CHLOE, MAKU & NANOOK (senior).

RECENTLY TRADED

(To Forever Homes!)



From top left to right: TONKA, ADDISON, JOSIE, WOOFIE (all seniors) and SONNY (heartworm case), JAXX, CAMPER (ortho surgery required) & TORI



DON'T FORGET!

We will soon start work on our 2018 Northern Lights Calendar! **Please get your photos to Julie at katyried2@aol.com by NO LATER THAN OCTOBER 31ST** to ensure your pictures are included.