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About the Cover
At the time of his adoption from the San Francisco SPCA, Harvey was the third-longest-staying shelter animal. Harvey had a skin condition that caused him to scratch off his fur. However, after treatment from our expert veterinary staff, Harvey was reborn as the glorious feline god you see pictured. With great green eyes of mischief and gorgeous marmalade fur, Harvey was adopted two days after being made available for adoption. Enjoy your forever home, Harvey!

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Our Mission
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Hayden’s Impact on Cats: It’s Time for a Change

In 1998, California enacted the Hayden Act, which aimed to end the euthanasia of adoptable, treatable animals. The law had several provisions, including extending the amount of time that shelters must hold an animal before considering euthanasia.

We’ve learned a lot over the past 15 years about which Hayden terms are effective, and which have been disappointing. In 2009, the Hayden law was temporarily suspended by the California Legislature due to budgetary concerns, and Gov. Jerry Brown called for a permanent repeal in his 2012–2013 budget proposal.

In response to Brown’s proposed repeal, which was rejected by lawmakers, a diverse group of animal welfare experts from across California worked throughout 2012–2013 to evaluate the benefits and drawbacks of the Hayden Act. This group included Jon Cicirelli from San Jose Animal Care and Services, Jennifer Fearing from The Humane Society of the United States, Aimee Gilbreath from Found Animals Foundation, and our own Dr. Jennifer Scarlett. Based on the findings, the stakeholders’ group made 23 recommendations.

By analyzing how dogs fared in California shelters between 1998 and 2010, it was clear that Hayden had a positive impact. Dog intake declined 18 percent, and euthanasia dropped from 60 percent to 38 percent because of increased adoptions, transfers, and returns to owners.

Unfortunately, those lifesaving results didn’t extend to cats. During the same time period, cat intake increased by 9 percent, despite better adoption and transfer programs. Euthanasia did not significantly decline, meaning that in 2010, an astounding 71 percent of cats entering California shelters were still being euthanized. The number of cats returned to their guardians after entering shelters was even more abysmal: only 2 percent, compared to 19 percent of dogs.

Helping California’s cats requires a radically new way of thinking. Not only do we need to treat cats very differently from dogs when they enter a shelter, but we also need to take a different approach for keeping healthy cats out of the shelter system. Stray cats have a better chance of finding a new home — and staying alive — if they’re never admitted to a shelter.

The stakeholders’ group recommended that shelters balance their intake of healthy cats with their proven ability to find homes. That means if a shelter is finding homes for cats at the same pace that it’s taking them in, then there’s not a problem. On the other hand, if supply is outpacing demand, it’s recommended that shelters ask guardians to wait and find another solution — at least until the shelter has capacity. Rather than accepting healthy cats and then euthanizing them for lack of space, shelters should help guardians find ways to keep their cats, locate a new home, or enter the shelter’s waitlist. Spending limited resources to euthanize healthy cats is not in anyone’s best interest. Healthy stray cats should be sterilized and placed back outside where they were found (this new policy is called Shelter-Neuter-Return). Remember, a cat’s chances for survival outdoors are far greater than in most shelters.

It’s time for shelters to end euthanasia of healthy cats. Experts in the stakeholders’ group predict that Shelter-Neuter-Return will have a dramatic impact on the number of lives that are saved.

We believe that the recommendations given by the stakeholders’ group will save cats’ lives, decrease suffering, and improve shelter conditions. Implementing these ideas will bring us one step closer to California’s policy of not euthanizing any treatable and adoptable animal.

To read the full recommendations and learn about the future of animal sheltering in California, visit cashelteringreport.org

Sincerely,

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Events

Dog Days of Summer

Every year in August, the San Francisco Giants and the SF SPCA team up to present Dog Days of Summer, a day when your furry companion is welcome to come to AT&T Park and watch the game alongside you. The love of baseball, dogs, and a great outfit come together and the trifecta is nothing short of a win-win-win.

This year, the SF SPCA couldn’t be contained to partying only in the bleachers. Our Behavior and Training team entertained the long lines of Giants fans outside the stadium. They stopped by to work with guardians and their pets on a few plays of their own while they waited to walk the parade. With just a few minutes of training, they had a blind dog doing spins, jumping on a platform, and sitting pretty.

By the time “The Star-Spangled Banner” was over and the last dog had howled the final note, it was finally time to take a seat and relax—it already felt like a day at the park and the game hadn’t even started! Tutu-clad Chihuahuas scrunched in close to make room for St. Bernards dressed up like wine barrels. SF SPCA volunteers were right there, ready to keep these partying pups hydrated by delivering water in french fry trays to dogs who had danced themselves silly.

No rest for the weary, the Giants were making play after play and the crowd was on all four of their feet as we shut out the Pittsburgh Pirates 4–0. Go Giants!

Speaking of shutout, don’t wait to get your pass to the party next year! Tickets sell out fast, so be ready next August. That gives you one whole year to work on your costume. It’s hard to top a Dachshund wrapped in a bun with a side of fries, but we thought the pug dressed wearing kale gave him a healthy run for his money. What can your dog bring to the table?

‘LOVE SAVES THE DAY’ BOOK SIGNING

This July, we had the pleasure of hosting New York Times best-selling author Gwen Cooper in the atrium of the Leanne B. Roberts Animal Care Center. Dozens of dedicated readers lined up with their copies of “Homer’s Odyssey,” a memoir told from our favorite point of view — the family cat’s — and “Love Saves the Day,” Cooper’s newest book, told from the same perceptive viewpoint.

During Q&A, fan after fan shared how Homer, a cat with no eyes, had touched their hearts and, in some cases, changed their lives. Three pounds of fur on a mission to change the world, once diagnosed as likely to spend life as an “underachiever” and later referred to as a “wonder cat” by National Geographic, “Homer” serves as a friendly reminder to us all that you only get one life, so you better get to it.

Now 16 years old, Homer is still living life to the fullest in an expansive apartment in New York City with his humans. He will only take his medication if served to him in FRESH lobster dripping with butter, so we say this cat still has the human in the bag.

We were so sad to hear Homer passed away on August 21, less than a month after our signing. We send our deepest sympathies to Gwen and her husband Laurence. Thank you for introducing the world to this wonderful soul and for sharing your love and eternal bond with your beloved pet, especially a cat as wondrous as Homer. Homer, may your days be filled with all the fresh lobster your heart desires!
This holiday season will mark the 27th year of our Holiday Windows program. This year, like the last nine years, adoptable cats and dogs from the SF SPCA will take center stage at Macy’s Union Square in festive windows decorated to resemble everything from an elves’ workshop to Santa’s sleigh.

Our partnership with Macy’s is one of the most significant adoption promotions that we do all year. Last year, about 300 animals found new homes, and we raised $80,000. Additionally, we have the opportunity to reach thousands of people who continue to adopt, volunteer, and donate throughout the year.

This event would not be possible without the kindness of our community, a community known for its support of homeless animals. It takes more than 4,000 volunteer hours to host this six-week-long adoption event. “It’s truly awe-inspiring,” says Jennifer Lu, SF SPCA Marketing and Communications Manager. “Hundreds and hundreds of animal lovers will stand outside Macy’s and greet onlookers, rain or shine, while others will keep animals safe, clean, full, and happy inside the store.

To see an entire community come together to help every pet find a home for the holidays is remarkable. It’s our own little holiday miracle.”

Come experience the magic and be part of an event that changes lives forever. It’s the one volunteer opportunity we offer that can be as short as three hours. There are no prerequisite classes, and you can bring a friend (or four).

To choose your volunteer shift at Macy’s Holiday Windows, please visit sfspca.org/holiday-volunteer.
The San Francisco SPCA has expanded its services in response to reduced hours at the city’s municipal shelter. San Francisco Animal Care & Control is now closed on Sundays and Mondays because of budgetary considerations.

To fill the gap, the SF SPCA Adoption Center is now open Mondays from 1 p.m – 7 p.m. As Director of Adoptions Laurie Routhier puts it, “We work very hard to provide people with animals that are going to be great companions in their homes. We want everybody who’s looking for a cat or a dog to consider adoption over buying an animal.”

Our added Monday hours, which started August 5, allow anyone looking to share their home with a new cat or dog the option to adopt from us seven days a week.

Our goal, of course, is to place every adoptable animal in our care in a loving home as quickly as possible. While our shelter is a fine place to stay for a short time and is soon to be improved (see page 8), we think the sooner the animal is in a home, the better.

The adoption center isn’t the only part of the SF SPCA to expand its hours. We have also increased our intake of community cats to seven days a week. Volunteers can bring feral and free-roaming cats from San Francisco to 201 Alabama St. for free spay/neuter, vaccination, and return-to-colony. You can read more about our Community Cats program at sfspca.org/communitycats.

It is our hope that every animal adopted from our organization will enjoy a lifetime in a forever home. As such, we are committed to providing support and guidance to families to ensure the longevity of the relationship. For those who have exhausted all reasonable efforts to keep their pet in their home, the SF SPCA continues to accept the return of any animal adopted from our facility. Adoption returns are by appointment only, based on staff availability.

We also accept limited surrenders of cats and dogs that were not adopted from us. Because of SF ACC’s closures, we have made more appointments available on Sundays and Mondays for surrenders. San Francisco residents can surrender cats and dogs directly to the SF SPCA seven days a week with an appointment. Puppies and kittens can be surrendered without an appointment.

“We wanted to make sure that the city’s animals and residents continue to be well-served,” said Dr. Jennifer Scarlett, Co-President of the SF SPCA. “We have the capacity to help out, and that’s why we are offering additional services so that animals move through the shelter quickly and into a loving home.”

Update: SF ACC recently reopened on Sundays and Mondays, but we have kept our extended services in place to try to ease their burden.
Thank you to everyone who celebrated our 145th anniversary with us! The weekend was a huge success as San Franciscans — human and furry alike — joined the festivities. The weekend kicked off with a Friday night cocktail party at our adoption center. The fun continued on Saturday with the Heart of Gold brunch and then a street fair, featuring carnival games, a beer garden, food trucks, activities for kids, and live entertainment. Adoption fees were waived all weekend and 148 homeless cats and dogs found their forever homes. Thank you to everyone who celebrated with us!
Adoption Center Remodel »

Coming Soon: A Face-Lift for Our Adoption Center
Adoption Center Remodel

When the SF SPCA Adoption Center opened in 1998, it was truly innovative and unique. The center was the first in the country to house cats and dogs in condominium-style rooms instead of cages. All of the cat rooms featured cat trees and toys, while the dog areas were furnished with cozy beds.

Why remodel an already beautiful adoption center? Because we've grown so much that it no longer meets the needs of the animals and the community. Last year, we completed a record 5,000 adoptions, even though the adoption center was never designed to handle this volume. The flow of visitors moving through the space is crowded and not intuitive, and the design of the adoption desk is cramped and limiting. Adopters have to wait up to an hour on busy days before they can get their adoption processed. That's not the experience they deserve!

Most San Franciscans understand the importance of adopting a shelter animal. We want to make it as easy as possible for them to do so. We believe there is enough demand to complete 6,000 adoptions a year or more, but we need to put on our innovation caps once again and redesign the layout of the center.

Construction is scheduled to begin in mid-January and complete in Spring 2014. During this time, our adoption center will move to the unused hospital building at 16th and Florida Streets. We will continue to welcome visitors and complete adoptions. We’re in the process of sprucing this space up for our temporary stay.

The remodeled center will allow us to reduce wait times for visitors, and the redesigned lobby will offer opportunities to learn about animal welfare. We’ll also open a new small-animal section, allowing us to find loving homes for small mammals such as rabbits, hamsters, and guinea pigs.

Dogs will benefit from a new dog park and more kennels on the adoption floor. Dogs flourish in off-leash play groups, which increase their confidence while providing mental stimulation and exercise. The dog park enables a more natural, unforced matchmaking process, and allows adopters to see dogs displaying their full personalities.

Shelter life will also improve for cats. Cat kennels will feature wall fixtures that give cats more vertical space, providing more room to climb and play. More cat rooms will have windows with a view of the outside world, and new climbing trees will be installed in each room.

When the renovation is complete, the SF SPCA will once again have an adoption center that is a model for shelters across the nation. Our remodeling project will boost adoptions and save lives, and our new shelter will be a resource and destination for visitors from across the Bay Area. We hope you will visit us next spring to see all of the exciting changes!

To meet our current and future needs, and to better serve our visitors and shelter animals, we’re embarking on a renovation project. We expect the remodel to be complete in May 2014, and until then, animals will be housed in the unused hospital building connected to the adoption center.

Our goal is to find homes for at least 1,000 more animals each year, while making the adoption center more enjoyable for people and shelter animals alike.

We will need $3.3 million in donations from our generous supporters. To contribute to making the new adoption center a reality, contact development@sfspca.org
Wrap-Up

“I learned that every living thing deserves another chance.”
Each Friday as campers wrote thank-you notes to the staff, volunteers, and animals who had contributed to their SF SPCA Summer Animal Camp experience, one of the counselors put a large piece of paper up on the board and invited anyone who felt like it to come up and write something they had learned that week.

“I learned that the best way to train a dog is positive reinforcement and rats are very nice!”

“I had no idea how many animals weren’t spayed or neutered. I promise I will always make sure my cats and dogs are spayed and neutered.”

“I learned that it’s actually really important whether you buy an animal or adopt them. If you buy, you are supporting overpopulation. But if you adopt, you save lives.”

Nearly 1,000 children joined us at the SF SPCA for camp this summer, which makes 2013 our most successful summer yet!

The Humane Education department is dedicated to helping children build on their love of all living things by fostering compassion, understanding, and responsibility for the world around them. Campers were introduced to a variety of animals, including guinea pigs, rabbits, rats, dogs, cats, chinchillas, worms, and ducks. Each animal interaction was accompanied by guidelines for keeping these critters as happy and healthy as possible.

Campers were also treated to a variety of animal-themed games, activities, and crafts — all of which facilitated a better understanding of animal welfare and gave campers the tools they need to help animals in their community and beyond.

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This summer, four age-appropriate camps were offered to students entering grades 1–8. Tailoring curriculum in this way allowed us to ensure that each age group received the best educational experience possible. Our younger campers participated in lots of fun art projects and games that illustrated subjects like pet overpopulation, compassion, and the demise of the honeybee.

The older set was offered an assortment of activities that included surgery observations, training demonstrations, special guest speakers, and challenging games that helped them form personal opinions regarding the humane treatment of animals.

It’s safe to say that everyone enjoyed our weekly shelter scavenger hunt, which helped campers orient themselves with the layout of an animal shelter and show appreciation for the important work of our staff and volunteers.

Another favorite was an activity called Milk & Cookies, which gave campers the opportunity to learn about the life of a dairy cow and taste-test a variety of humane milk alternatives (which pair deliciously with Oreo cookies, of course).

Of all the animals that joined us for camp this summer, our resident ducklings left the biggest impression. Himala and Milagro were part of a Peking duck shipment that was poorly scheduled and resulted in death by starvation of several dozen ducklings. Through a partnership with Peninsula Humane Society, we were able to bring the survivors into our program, and they were a huge hit right from the start. Our little quackers became so accustomed to their jobs as animal ambassadors that by midsummer they were voluntarily waddling out of their enclosure and over to the campers for daily feeding and petting.

The Humane Education department aims to provide a safe, positive, and encouraging environment for children — regardless of their circumstances and financial standing — to bond with animals and discover the infinite potential for kindness and compassion that exists within them.

Thank you to those who joined us this summer. It was an absolute pleasure spending time with so many hundreds of animal lovers! We hope to see you again soon.

Our year-round youth programs include Preschool Story Time, Puppy Movie Nights, Holiday Animal Camps, Benefit Birthday Parties, Classroom Visits, and more! To learn more, view schedules, and register visit sfspca.org/youth.
Two women in matching red T-shirts walked out of our adoption center on a recent afternoon, both smiling broadly. “This is the best Friday ever,” one of them said.

The two were part of a 15-member volunteer crew from Bain & Company — all clad in shirts with the firm’s logo — that had spent the morning socializing cats. They were part of an increasing number of volunteers who come to the San Francisco SPCA as part of a program where corporations encourage their employees to give back to the community. They sometimes paint, clean up, pull foxtails to make the neighborhood more dog-friendly, or socialize cats at the adoption center and the Leanne B. Roberts Animal Care Center.

“The highlight for me was being able to see all the behind-the-scenes work that goes into the SF SPCA,” said Sadaf Ayub, of the Bain & Company management consulting group. “It was amazing to see how much detail goes into the process of getting a shelter animal ready for adoption.”

A recent group from Method, a cleaning-products maker that doesn’t use animal by-products, found itself right at home at the shelter.

“Volunteering with the SF SPCA was a fantastic fit for our company as it’s an organization near and dear to many employees’ hearts,” said Ann Deming of Method, which, like many other corporations, also supports the SF SPCA with monetary and product donations.

Method and Bain are not the only corporations to consistently give volunteers a paid day off to come to the SF SPCA. Others include Wells Fargo, Levi Strauss, Gap, Genentech, Zynga, Salesforce.com, and Hall Capital Partners, to mention just a few.

The SF SPCA is just one organization that benefits from such corporate generosity. Groups clean up parks and beaches, visit homeless shelters and food banks, and do any number of other chores at nonprofits throughout the city.

But for animal lovers, the SF SPCA is a favorite.

“We will definitely be back next year,” Ayub said. And we hope they will! In fact, we are actively seeking corporate partners for the SF SPCA. There are many ways for companies of any size to give and help us move closer to our goal of ending animal abandonment in San Francisco by the year 2020. We welcome support in the form of:

- Funding
- In-kind donations
- Low-cost or pro bono services
- Helping increase awareness of our mission and services
- Foundation grants
- Employer-sponsored giving campaigns
- Matching gifts

For more than 145 years, the SF SPCA has played a leading role in animal welfare in the United States, including launching the “no-kill” movement. As a corporate partner, you’ll extend our lifesaving work.

For more information on how to become an SF SPCA Corporate Partner, contact Belinda Getler, Corporate and Foundation Relations Manager, at bgetler@sfspca.org.
Your contributions help us save lives. We are an independent nonprofit, and are not affiliated with any national organization. We are entirely community funded.

• We find loving homes for 5,000 dogs and cats each year.
• Our veterinary hospital cares for more than 18,000 clients.
• We perform more than 10,700 spay/neuter surgeries, most of which are free.
• We reach more than 79,500 individuals through Animal Assisted Therapy.
• More than 4,500 youths are served through our Humane Education classes.

The San Francisco SPCA could not achieve all we do without your generous support. Here are some ways you can help this holiday season:

• Join Circle of Friends: Our monthly giving program provides year-round support for the homeless cats and dogs in our care. Contact our Development team at 415.554.3029 or development@sfspca.org.

• Consider a gift of stock: Making a gift of appreciated securities is simple and offers a number of valuable tax benefits. To make a stock gift, contact Jill Jacobs, Major Gifts Manager, at 415.522.3549 or jjacobs@sfspca.org.

• Leave a lasting legacy: Including a bequest gift for the SF SPCA in your will or trust ensures that our critical safety net will be in place for animals and guardians for years to come. For more information, contact Sandy Irber, Planned Giving Manager, at 415.554.3027 or sirber@sfspca.org.

• Donate from your IRA: If you are 70½ or older, you can make a qualified charitable distribution (QCD) directly from your IRA and receive a great tax benefit while fulfilling your annual withdrawal requirement. For more information, contact Jill Jacobs, Major Gifts Manager, at 415.522.3549 or jjacobs@sfspca.org.

• Become a corporate partner: There are many ways for companies of any size to give a traditional or in-kind donation: low-cost or pro bono services, corporate foundation grants, employer-sponsored giving programs or matching employee gifts, just to name a few. For more information, contact Belinda Getler at 415.554.3073 or bgetler@sfspca.org.

• Give a gift in honor or in memory of a loved one: Your gift will help an animal in need of a loving home, and we will send a card notifying the honoree or family member of your thoughtful gift. For more information, visit sfspca.org/tribute.

• Round up for the animals: The next time you visit our adoption center or veterinary hospital, consider rounding up your payment to the next $5, $10, or $20, or drop whatever you can spare into the donation box. It all adds up!

• Enroll in the Sido program: You’ll have peace of mind knowing that the SF SPCA will take great care of your beloved pets if they should outlive you. For more information, contact Sandy Irber, Planned Giving Manager, at 415.554.3027 or sirber@sfspca.org.

• Become a volunteer: Volunteers are needed from November 22 through January 1 as SF SPCA ambassadors for Macy’s Holiday Windows, our largest adoption outreach event of the year. Your employer may match your volunteer hours with a gift to the SF SPCA. For more information, contact volunteer services at 415.522.3523.

Donations to the SF SPCA can be mailed to 201 Alabama St., San Francisco, CA 94103, or given online at sfspca.org/donate. Thank you for choosing to make a special gift to support the SF SPCA this holiday!
San Francisco continues to be the safest major city in America to be a homeless dog or cat. In fact, our spay/neuter program has been so successful that the number of animals surrendered in the city isn’t enough to meet the demand in our adoption center.

This gives us an opportunity to reach out to high-kill shelters throughout California and save the lives of animals that otherwise would have been euthanized.

Stockton, for example, was hit so hard by the financial crisis and recession that the city declared bankruptcy. Funds for animal welfare were drastically cut, alongside most city services. A mere 15 employees struggle to handle more than 11,000 animals coming into the 50-year-old shelter.

The majority of dogs and approximately 90 percent of the cats were euthanized. Many simply died in their kennel or cage.

So in November 2012, the San Francisco SPCA and Stockton Animal Services entered into a partnership designed to improve conditions and improve the outcomes of animals at the Stockton shelter.

Our mutual goals were to improve animal handling protocols to reduce the spread of disease and to decrease the rate of euthanasia by increasing both adoptions and transfers.

Led by Dr. Kate Kuzminski, SF SPCA Director of Shelter Medicine, Stockton opened its doors and allowed SF SPCA staff and volunteers to lend a hand.

“We decided that it wasn’t enough to take the occasional dog or cat from the shelter,” said Kuzminski. “We wanted to find a way to help the animals of Stockton in a more lasting way.”

In less than a year, the collaboration has resulted in dramatic improvements for the Stockton animals. The SF SPCA hired the first full-time veterinarian in the San Joaquin County shelter system. Prior to the August arrival of Sarah Lamborn, DVM, animals were often left waiting for much-needed medical attention.

Since we started working with Stockton:

- The number of animals euthanized or found dead in kennel has decreased by 20 percent. Healthier animals mean that more rescue organizations are able to partner with Stockton and transfer animals to communities where they will have a better chance of finding homes.
- Adoptions and transfers have increased by an incredible 28 percent. More than 700 animals have been saved in this short period of time.

The SF SPCA’s first commitment will always be to San Francisco animals. We will never waver from our promise to save every adoptable, healthy, or treatable dog and cat in the city.

“It takes a community, and thankfully we have found one in this partnership,” says Brandy Kuentzel, SF SPCA Director of Advocacy. “If everyone just does a little, does whatever they can, we can move mountains.”

New Programs »

OUR PARTNERSHIP WITH STOCKTON
Saves Lives

The Stockton Shelter Shares project is being funded by a small group of generous donors. If you would like to contribute to the project, simply note on your donation that it is for the Stockton Fund for Animals.
This June, the San Francisco SPCA launched Square One, a foster care program designed to help animals who would not otherwise succeed in a traditional shelter environment. Some dogs and cats need a little extra TLC before they can find their forever home, and Square One radically alters the lives of those animals. Whether they have special medical needs, need a boost of confidence, or are simply being overlooked at the shelter, the Square One program ensures that every adoptable animal gets a fair chance.

Unlike our traditional foster program, in which animals are fostered until they are made available for adoption and go to our adoption center, animals in the Square One program remain in their foster parent’s home until they’re adopted (they don’t go into our adoption center). Another important difference is that Square One foster parents play a direct role in finding a loving, permanent home for their foster animals.

Snoopy is one of many dogs who has been given a second chance through the Square One program. Before he arrived at the shelter, Snoopy was living in a hoarding situation. He was severely undersocialized and was afraid of nearly everything, including his water bowl.

To survive and thrive, Snoopy was taken out of the shelter environment and placed into the Square One program. Jason Townley, a Square One volunteer, invited Snoopy into his home with his two resident dogs, Brewster and Whiskey. Under Jason’s care, and with his advocacy, Snoopy blossomed into a new dog and found his forever home in just 22 days.

In addition to pairing animals with foster homes that can accommodate their specific special needs, the Square One program also partners with local and national rescues. While we’re expanding the program by recruiting more foster volunteers, we’re also strengthening our partnerships with organizations that have the experience and resources to help animals with special needs.

Help us continue to grow by becoming a Square One foster parent! Learn more at sfspca.org/squareone.

Snoopy and Brewster, one of Jason’s resident dogs, sharing nap time.

SQUARE ONE RESCUE

Foster Program Update
**THE 18th BARK & WHINE ANNUAL BALL**

**When:** Thursday, March 13, 2014 6:30 PM  
**Where:** Fort Mason Center, Festival Pavilion

You and your dog are invited to walk the red carpet and celebrate with us!  
- Delectable food from McCall's  
- Live auction  
- Music and dancing  

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