



May 2022 Newsletter

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PETS & ALLERGIES

Does your pet show signs of allergic reaction?

Presented by NATIONWIDE*

Dogs and cats can suffer seasonal allergies just like us, and many are allergic to ragweed, grasses, pollens, molds and trees.

These environmental allergies can flare up during spring, summer and fall.

Runny nose, watery eyes, coughing, sneezing

Red, puffy eyes, red lips, red chin, pimples, pustules, red paws

Head shaking, scratching at the ears, hair loss around the ears, discharge from the ears

Hair loss, open sores, rash, scabbing, hot spots (red, inflamed, infected skin that may often bleed)

Itching, chewing at paws or other body parts, rubbing against furniture and/or carpet, wheezing



Temporary relief:

- Frequent baths using a grain-free shampoo
- Foot soaks to reduce the amount of allergens tracked into the home



Long-term relief:

Ask your veterinarian about testing, medication and desensitization shots. Your vet may also recommend supplements or a specialized diet to address specific allergic issues.



NOTE: As sensitive pets age and are continuously exposed to allergens, their allergic reactions can last year-long.

Can I Get Your Number?



Mirror, mirror on the wall
Did I forget to tell
About my new address
Or my new phone
I'll do it now
So I'm always returned home

Adopters, has your address or cell phone number changed? Be sure to let us know to keep your Boxer's microchip information up-to-date

Send us an email with new info
RejectionCollectionBoxerRescue@gmail.com

Totes 'n Pillows

If you haven't already, head over to Etsy and check out Karen Thompson's store!

Karen donates 20% of all Etsy sales to RCBR.

Her creations make great gifts ...or treat yourself!

Etsy

totesnpillows



Karen Thompson

Keenesburg, CO

Little old grandma who loves to do quickpoint pillows and to make totes.

Karen donates 20% of all Etsy sales to RCBR

Inventory changes frequently so visit her store often
It's for the Boxers!



If you've been lucky enough to snag one of Karen's totes during RCBR's Flash Tote Sales, you know how amazing these totes are. Her Etsy store is your chance to grab a few whenever you want.

Totesnpillows Etsy Store



June
5-18, 2022

DATE CHANGED TO JUNE

This is one of RCBR's largest fundraising events each year

Check Event on our Facebook page
Sun., Jun. 5 @ 8am (central time)

Auction will close
Sat., Jun. 18 @ 8pm (central time)



2022

Garage
SALE!

This Summer in Bloomington, MN

(dates to be advised)

When doing your Spring cleaning – keep the Rescue in mind and please note:

- Clean items only. Wash/clean-up all household goods.... no grease, crumbs, dried food, cobwebs, dust, etc., a little elbow grease goes a long way
- Clothing must be washed and decent looking, not all wrinkly. Footwear should be spiffed up/polished/clean
- No furniture will be accepted
- Remember the purpose is to raise as much \$ as possible for the Boxers. With that in mind, we want the cream of the crop only. We don't have unlimited space, so please sort wisely

Item drop-off dates will be posted in a couple of months
Watch our Facebook page for full details

Upcoming Events

Online Events

Spring Online Auction

9 am Sunday, June 5, 2022
to
8 pm Saturday, June 18, 2022

[Here on Facebook](#)

Fall Online Auction

October 2022
Dates TBD

[Facebook Event](#)

In-Person Events

Garage Sale

July 2022
Date(s) TBD

Bloomington, MN

Bark In the Park

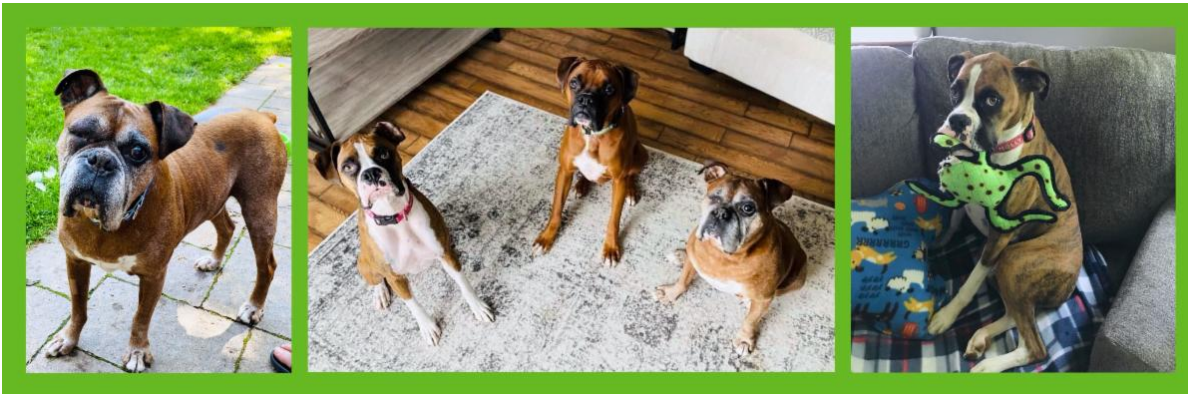
5 pm - 7 pm
Thursday, August 18, 2022

[Swanson Dog Park](#)
9150 Central Ave NE
Blaine, MN

[RCBR Event Calendar](#)

Volunteer Spotlight

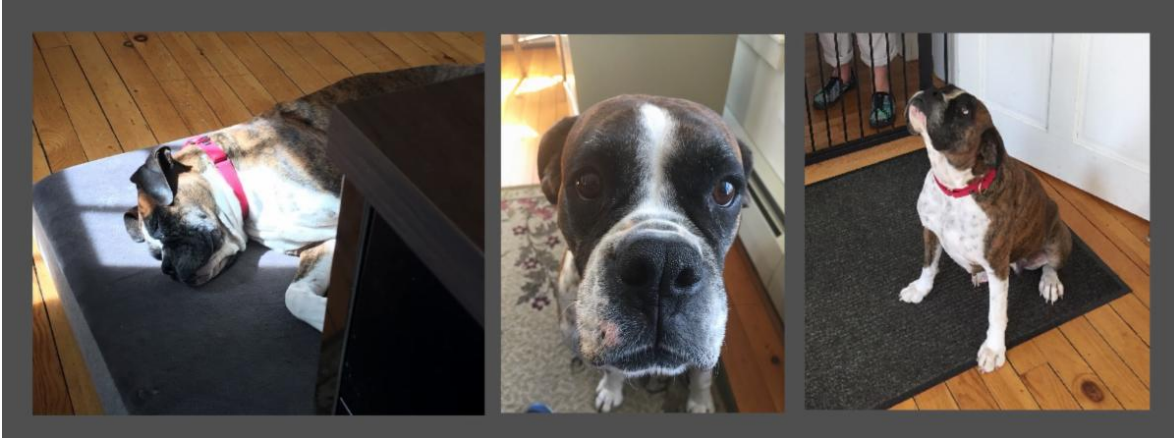
Dakota Willett



Our family fell in love with this sweet, one-eyed rescue named Gibson about 10 years ago. After our first Boxer passed, poor Gib was lonely so we got Molly as a puppy. Two dogs just was not enough, so in 2020, we got Champ through RCBR. Three boxers is a full house, but they are the most loving dogs. I started transporting Boxers after my dad had done a few. He has done several long trips to Ohio. I have done one long trip myself as well as a few shorter trips in Minnesota. I know how important it is to help get these sweet, squishy faces to their new home and love helping them on their journey! There are so many ways to Volunteer and help Boxers in need. Volunteer a lot, a little, here and there, now and then, whatever fits your schedule. Regardless of the amount of time you can give, your help makes a **big** difference in the lives of these dogs. Give transporting a try - you just may fall in love with your new best friend.

April Adoptions

Dorothy
(n/k/a Chloe)
Adopted 3/29/22



Here comes the sun ...

Yes, it was a long, cold, lonely winter after losing my Boxer girl, Lily, in 2021. But RCBR brought sunshine back into my life with Chloe (f/k/a Dorothy). The road to finding a good fit for me was a bit challenging. My Boxer accompanies me to work and serves as a greeting dog at a regional visitors' center where we may meet dozens of people in a day. Not only did I seek companionship, but I wanted my Boxer to serve as a well-mannered ambassador for the breed that captured my heart over 35 years ago. Five rescued Boxers preceded Miss Chloe in this role over the past 20 years, and I have to say that none too to it as quickly and easily. She is a natural! No one coming through the door receives a vocal greeting, only wiggles. Dog lovers can approach her as she patiently waits behind the gate into my office. She loves to pose for pictures if desired; the little ham! It is obvious she loves her job and is excited to leave the house every morning when I ask, "Are you ready to go to work?" On her break time, Chloe can be found walking in the park or catching a snooze in a sunspot by my desk.

I am so grateful to RCBR and all the volunteers who helped Chloe and I connect and knew she would be just the right fit! I will add that the entire adoption process went incredibly smoothly, was extremely well coordinated and professional; totally amazing. Here comes the sun ... Life is good!

~ Suzanne and Chloe

Felix
Adopted 4/8/22

I knew I would quickly fall in love with Felix, n/k/a Phil, but I *never* guessed how my husband, family and coworkers would as well. Despite all odds, he is just so pleasant and happy that you have to love and admire him. I told my husband that he should probably get used to this, because I think I am always going to have an old man Boxer with special needs in our lives as long as we live.

~ Thea



Haley
(n/k/a Honey)
Adopted 4/18/22



I was not planning on getting another dog so soon after Ivy passed, but the call came that 12 fosters were needed ASAP. I had to carry this girl to the truck because she was so scared she would not walk. I named her Honey because she is the sweetest thing. She was not potty-trained and was afraid of everyone and every noise and everything. My girl has shown tiny baby steps with me only. She is really messed up and may never be a normal dog but that is okay by me. We were chosen for each other for some reason and I cherish every moment and will do whatever it takes to help her feel safe.

~ Tinker

Hildy
Adopted 2/28/22

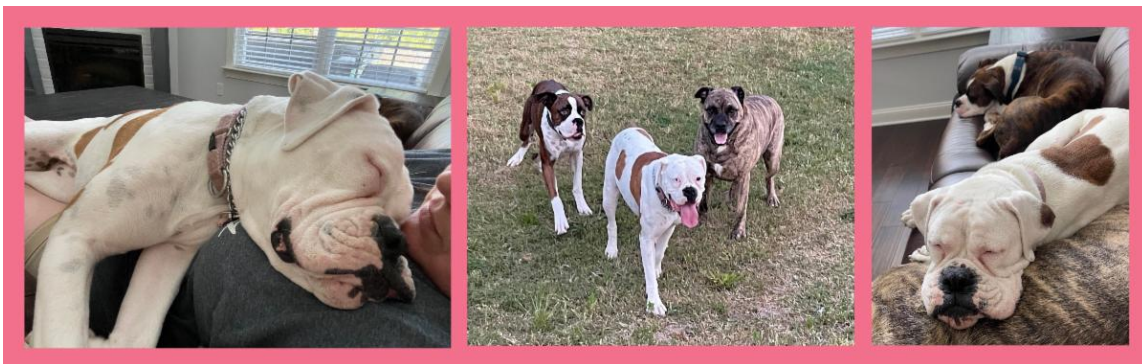


I was just going to be transporting a few Boxers from Albert Lea to Minneapolis ...
or so I thought!

But what was supposed to be 11 dogs coming into RCBR, wound up being 12, as Hildy quite literally fell from heaven at my feet! While unloading from the transport vehicle, her crate flew open and there she was! The other foster volunteers had already left so I agreed to foster her, trying my best not to fall in love. I have three Boxers of my own at home, including one with a serious health issue (another puppy mill mom). Hildy had all the traits of a puppy mill survivor; trust issues, potty-training challenges, apprehension of the scary new indoor environment, and a myriad of health issues common in rural breeding mills. As she became healthier and transitioned into her new "normal" life of being a real dog (not livestock), a family member, and a good citizen, Hildy stole my heart and she is now part of our pack. She still has a ways to go, but she is becoming more self-assured and outgoing and is learning the ropes from the other fur babies! I am so proud of her progress! Welcome to your brave, new world, Hildy!

~ Debra

Muffin (n/k/a Marley) Adopted 4/6/22



Shortly after the Tremendous 12 were rescued in December, I messaged RCBR to see if any of the younger pups might be a good fit for our home. We have two boys; Buster is 8 and Ru is 3. Ru needed someone who could run and keep up with him. It was suggested we look into Muffin.

Now known as Marley, she turned a year old on Christmas Day. She has tons of energy and loves playing with other dogs. We thought she would be perfect. Within minutes of her arriving at our home, she was running and playing with Buster and Ru. They all get along great. It is like she has been with them for years. She is deaf, which I think has brought out a side of Ru we had not seen. He has taken on the role of teacher, correcting Marley when she is too rough with the cats and showing her generally how to behave.

Marley is such a sweet snuggly girl. She loves her people and her brothers alike, and we are thrilled to have her with us!

~ Leslie

Willow
(n/k/a Cinder)
Adopted 3/17/22



RCBR received three day's notice about 11 Boxers needing rescue (a number that unexpectedly grew to 12 when transport arrived). Given nothing more than a list of 11 dogs consisting of two lines of information for each dog including a number, name, sex, approximate age and a couple words about coat color, RCBR scrambled to find Fosters and transportation logistics. I volunteered to take the oldest female, which was Willow, a 6-year old brindle. On the day of pick-up, Willow was actually determined to be a sealed brindle, most often incorrectly referred to as a black Boxer. She was gorgeous, but typical of all commercial breeder release dogs/puppy mill dogs, she was terrified when taken out of the transport van. They all were. Safe to say, this was probably the first time any of these dogs had ever felt the kind touch of human hands, heard they were beautiful or handsome, or spoken to with soothing voices. Having lived their entire life in a kennel, only let out to breed, that became their familiar routine. Dogs are creatures of habit so the unfamiliar is scary - no matter how horrific that familiar was. Mill breeder girls have my heart, I enjoy watching them slowly come out of their shell and learn how wonderful it is to be a dog. A loved dog! As always, my pack makes the decision on who can stay. It has to work both ways - the pack and the newbie need to get along. I, on the other hand, would take in absolutely every dog I see. But it is not fair to either side to force it. Willow has become known as Cinder and now has three Boxer siblings. These dogs all come out on their own terms/schedule, are broken emotionally and physically, and typically carry parts of their past forever. Cinder is still learning to be a dog, learning to trust, learning to enjoy life, but she and the rest of the Tremendous 12 will never know fear, neglect, pain, hunger, or heartbreak again.

~ Duraye

April
Rainbow



Bridge

... until we meet again ♥

Jackson

Crossed the Bridge 4/15/22

I was extremely blessed when Rejection Collection Boxer Rescue approved me to be Jackson's Mom! Jackson was an amazing all-in-one lil man. There was not anything *not* to love about him. We miss him **so** much and all of the love, comfort and silliness he showed us. Always happy to see us and was all about what we needed. Unfortunately, the awful disease DM got the best of him, but we have so many wonderful memories in the short two years we had with Jackson. There was not one day, except for the last, that he did not give 100% ...



~ Nancy

Ritz

Crossed the Bridge 3/21/22



Ritz Roo. About two years ago, RCBR showed me photos of three very neglected Boxers who were coming into rescue and asked if I was interested in any of them. I do not think I had ever been asked before, nor did I ever get to pick one before, but this guy's face was just the most broken looking boy, and I knew it was him that should come to my house! On transport, his breath was **the** worst of the worst. We drove with the windows down just to be able to breathe! Our vet later said he had never seen such an awful mouth. The poor guy had heartworms, whipworms, hookworms, severe emaciation ... just for starters. We went through the process of taking care of his heartworms. I still felt so bad because his mouth had to hurt something terrible, but once he was heartworm free, we got that fixed

too. This boy was such a lover of life! He loved to chase *everything* - every leaf, every bag, every squirrel and chipmunk, and anything that would possibly move! He had me down flat more than once! Sadly he developed a bad case of separation anxiety. Thankfully after about three to four months, Ritz realized we were not leaving him and that too began to get better. After all he must have been through, I felt so badly for him! Being the true Boxer he was, Ritz made us laugh time and time again. He made me get moving in the morning! Ritz made it to nearly two years of the good life, but little did I know when I came home from my vacation, it would be his time. I am so grateful for the time we had with Ritz Roo!

~ Mary

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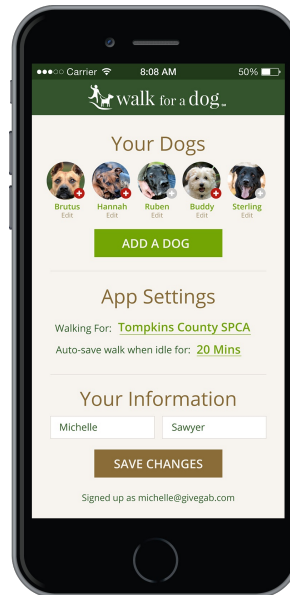
Links to help:

[Walk for a Dog / Wooftrax](#) - walk your dog and earn points that translate to donations for RCBR.

[Amazon Wishlist](#) - purchase from our wishlist and have it sent directly to us.

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Mission Statement

Rejection Collection Boxer Rescue (RCBR) is a non-profit, all-volunteer, foster-based organization dedicated to providing loving homes for Boxer dogs - especially seniors, medically challenged, and those needing to start over again in an unfamiliar world.

We offer quality care for whatever time is left; it is not about the quantity of days, but rather the quality and amount of love that can be shared during those days.

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