



## Operation Kindness Highlights Two Christmas Miracles More happy endings possible through "Stock Our Hospital" campaign

**DALLAS** (Dec. 12, 2018) – Last month, [Operation Kindness](#) – North Texas' original and largest no-kill animal shelter – announced its end-of-year holiday campaign, "Stock Our Hospital," highlighting gift-giving opportunities in their 2018 'Kindness Katalog.' The catalog features a wide variety of goods and medical services which donors can sponsor. The goal of the "Stock Our Hospital" campaign is to replenish the medicine and medical supplies used in caring for more than 5,000 animals each year. Also, thanks to a generous donor, all donations to the "Stock Our Hospital" campaign will be matched one to one up to \$5,000. Operation Kindness wishes to highlight two case studies paid for by these donations. Get ready to meet Blitzen and Seth.

Blitzen is a Pitbull mix puppy that Operation Kindness rescued from a municipal shelter partner. Blitzen and his litter mates had severe anemia due to flea infestation, but Blitzen was the most critical. To save Blitzen's fragile life, Operation Kindness' Dr. Tiffany Tobaben stepped in to find a healthy adoptee, performing a much-needed blood transfusion. Blitzen is now recovering well and will be available for adoption just in time for Christmas. [VIDEO of Blitzen getting treatment at Operation Kindness.](#)

Another Christmas miracle is Seth. Seth is a one-year-old German Shepard who came to Operation Kindness suffering lameness, due to a deformity in his front leg which eventually led to a fracture. Dr. Tababen performed orthopedic surgery, set the fracture, and now Seth will soon be back to enjoying the full use of his leg.

While Blitzen and Seth had happy endings, Operation Kindness needs continued support from the community to continue granting these Christmas Miracles.

"Just like with Blitzen and Seth, Operation Kindness cares for thousands of animals every year," said Jim Hanophy, CEO of Operation Kindness. "Most of the animals we treat are from shelters where euthanasia is common due to lack of proper medical treatment. We provide intake, rescue, treatment and adoption services, but the demand often far exceeds the supply. This is why we're asking the North Texas community to continue to donate and help 'Stock Our Hospital.'"

Operation Kindness is one of the only shelters in Texas that willingly takes animals in need of costly lifesaving services or extreme medical attention, such as open-heart and hip dysplasia surgeries. Operation Kindness' annual medical budget is \$1.2 million, and they receive no government funding. To recap 2017, Operation Kindness completed or paid for:

- 3,140 spays and neuters;



Operation Kindness CEO Jim Hanophy and one-year-old German Shepard, Seth.

- 529 cases of heartworms;
- 2,083 cases of upper respiratory infections; and,
- 363 orthopedic, ophthalmic and internal surgeries.

Operation Kindness serves as the “go-to” partner for 47 municipal shelters and rescue centers that have either run out of space or don’t have the proper resources to provide the right medical care to animals in urgent need. In fact, in 2017 63 percent of all animals at Operation Kindness came from shelter partners.

From life-saving surgeries to vaccinations, the Kindness Katalog donations [include a wide array of delightful gifts with a range of price points](#) to show compassion while delighting a loved one, friend, client or employee. After selecting the [Kindness Katalog](#) donation gift on the shelter’s website, donors have the option to send the gift recipient an e-card or donor’s may opt to download a DIY version. All proceeds will directly benefit the medical needs of homeless animals at Operation Kindness. Sam Pack Auto Group’s [Five Star Subaru of Grapevine](#) will also help boost Operation Kindness’ effort by donating \$100 for every car sold from Dec. 1-31.

For more information on Operation Kindness’ “Stock Our Hospital” campaign, visit [www.OperationKindness.org](http://www.OperationKindness.org) or go directly to the Kindness Katalog – <http://support.operationkindness.org/site/R?i=SRLNL19I3DHSOxZfinrAug>.

### **About Operation Kindness**

Founded in 1976, Operation Kindness is the original and largest no-kill shelter in North Texas. Its mission is to care for homeless cats and dogs in a no-kill environment until each is adopted into responsible homes and to advocate humane values and behavior. In its 42 years of operation, Operation Kindness has saved more than 100,000 animals. Annually the shelter assists over 5,000 dogs and cats, caring for an average of 300 animals daily with another 150-200 animals in foster homes. Operation Kindness partners with 47 North Texas municipal shelters and rescues to save animals from euthanasia.

Learn more about Operation Kindness at [www.OperationKindness.org](http://www.OperationKindness.org) or on Facebook at [www.facebook.com/pages/Operation-Kindness/30251945822](https://www.facebook.com/pages/Operation-Kindness/30251945822).

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