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HOMeward BOUND GOLDEN RETRIEVER RESCUE AND SANCTUARY, INC.

## What's Inside

Sometimes, dogs and humans are mismatched for expectations and needs. Thankfully, at Homeward Bound, the dogs have a place to reboot in safety and security before being matched to those who are better equipped to bring out their best. Such was the case with Teddy and Ori, as you will read inside. Teddy's dad, Bill, has been so inspired by our work that he has included Homeward Bound in his legacy planning. We are grateful beyond words.

Often, these mismatches are the result of impulse decisions made without truly comprehending the time and cost required to meet a dog's needs. We take a realistic look at the latter in our article on page 9.

Twenty years of rescued love. That's what we are celebrating this year. Look back with us on pages 6 and 7, and learn how you can help us celebrate during this year's Kibble & Bids™ event. The Coronavirus may have rained on our physical event, but it can't dampen our spirits! We're going virtual this year. We'll be asking you to share in our memories and fundraising throughout September. It all culminates in a Facebook Live event on Saturday, September 26th. We hope you will join in. The dogs depend on all of you...the heart of Homeward Bound.

## PLEASE PASS ALONG!

You can help us to expand our reach by sharing our newsletter with friends, family and co-workers! Thank you!



## Lightning Strikes Twice

BY: BILL LIEBER

*(Bill has been a long-time friend, supporter, and volunteer of Homeward Bound Golden Retriever Rescue. His big-heartedness has frequently come in the form of quiet gifts like anonymously sponsoring an adoption or helping us to achieve our fundraising goals. Recently, he advised us that Homeward Bound was included in his estate plan. We asked if he would share his story and his motivation for such a generous gesture. He was, as always, happy to help.)*

Recently retired from a Fortune 500 company, I found myself with the luxury of time. Having been introduced to Homeward Bound by my then partner, I underwent volunteer training and became a dog walker. The time spent with the dogs in Homeward Bound's peaceful, country setting provided purpose and an opportunity to transition from corporate stress to writing the next chapter in my life. Following a long-time passion for identifying fixer-upper properties and turning them into gems, I pursued a real estate license so I could help others on similar journeys. It turns out that my transformation skills extended beyond real estate to dogs. It was a joy to help recently arrived, nervous or fearful dogs find their footing, build their confidence, and prepare for their forever homes.

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## Our Mission

Homeward Bound Golden Retriever Rescue & Sanctuary, Inc. is an all-volunteer organization which rescues and heals displaced, abandoned, and homeless Golden Retrievers and Golden mixes, regardless of their age or health. Homeward Bound secures safe, loving homes through a comprehensive adoption program, and also provides lifetime sanctuary for Golden Retrievers that cannot be adopted.

Homeward Bound also provides education on proper animal care and on the benefits of, and need for, rescue and sanctuary. In the event of a disaster, Homeward Bound will provide assistance to other rescue groups and the families of dogs impacted by the disaster.

Homeward Bound will continue to serve as a model rescue organization, addressing animal welfare needs throughout California and neighboring states, and strives to be a national leader in rescue, sanctuary and education.

DOGS RESCUED TO DATE IN 2020  
185  
VET EXPENSES TO DATE IN 2020  
\$163,000



## A Message From Our President

When we got together last year to plan our 20th year celebration events, we knew this would be a special year. We could not have anticipated how. The Coronavirus pandemic has upended everyone's world and ours is no exception.

We missed not seeing you all at our annual Reunion Picnic. Then, we reluctantly conceded that our Kibble & Bids event could not safely take place in the usual way. Instead, we are going virtual this year. As you will read in the stories inside, dogs have an amazing ability to adapt and adjust. We are hoping you can join us in adapting to a new way of celebrating this year.

All through September, we will be looking back at our 20 years of rescued love – and we will be asking for your help. Kibble & Bids is one of our three major annual fundraising campaigns; the funds we raise are vital to our support of the dogs through the rest of the year. The month of online activities culminates in a Facebook Live event on Saturday, September 26th. I will tell you that Mike and I are a little uncomfortable being at the center of this attention; we know that none of our accomplishments would be possible without the support of our volunteers, friends, and supporters. But we have been commanded to be there – so we hope you will be there too!

The challenges of this year will, one day, be in the rear-view mirror. The most important thing is that we have remained steadfast in our commitment to the dogs. With shelters minimally operating through most of the year, we are a vital lifeline for dogs in need. Your understanding, patience, and support as we have acclimated to this time have inspired us to forge ahead. We adapt. We adjust. And we remain here for the dogs – because you are by our side.

As we approach 10,000 lives saved, we know that none of our work would be possible without you. For all you do for the dogs, I offer my heartfelt thanks and appreciation for your continued support.

Sincerely,

Jody Jones, President





Teddy's Going Home Photo

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People always assume that Homeward Bound volunteers will want to adopt every dog they meet. You quickly learn the reward of being a vital part of their journey instead of the destination. I wasn't searching for a dog at the time – until lightning struck.

His name was Leo (pictured center). He was eight years old and a complete gentleman. He had been surrendered by a loving family that had become overwhelmed with three dogs and five children. It was love at first sight. I told him how special he was, and he looked at me as if to say, "I have selected you to take me home, so let's go together." In October 2016, we made him ours. Time was not on our side given his age—but we could still make a lifetime worth of memories together.

Leo was my love – and everyone else's too. He could bring a smile to anyone's

face. Leo lived his life in a gentle manner and passed that way unexpectedly too. One minute he was with me; then he was gone. Maybe it was better that way. A long goodbye might have been too painful for us.



There had been many recent changes in my life: a long-term relationship ended, I moved, the Coronavirus hit, and we were all stuck at home. With Leo's departure, my world felt turned upside down. Most painful was the void he left emotionally and in his physical presence. It was a lonely time.

I let Homeward Bound know of Leo's passing; a subsequent call from them changed my life.

Teddy had been surrendered for "behavioral issues." At the age of five, he had lived outside – not as a member of the family. He could be unruly, they said. He was not socialized to other dogs and, in particular, not to the two tiny resident Chihuahuas that also lived at the home. Someone had to go, and they decided it was Teddy. It turned out to be the best thing that could happen to him.

He was definitely not a fan of being in the kennel at Homeward Bound. He barked incessantly when asked to stay in his "room," but once you got him outside, he was a different dog. It's true that he needed help with his manners, but the potential was there. When I walked into the kennel to meet him, he was barking his head off; I wondered what I might be getting myself into. Then I took his leash, and he sat quietly, waiting for me to bring him out. It was love. He knew it already—evidenced by his going home photo—and I would soon discover it for myself.

On the drive home, I learned that he had special skills. He unzipped his soft-sided crate and made his way to the front seat to join me. He loves small spaces and can be found curled up at my feet under the table or desk, or in my favorite chair. He quickly learned the ways of house-living, and he has begun sharing his ample lawn

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# Kibble & Bids™ VIRTUAL FOUNDERS PICNIC 2020

## Celebrating 20 Years of Rescued Love.

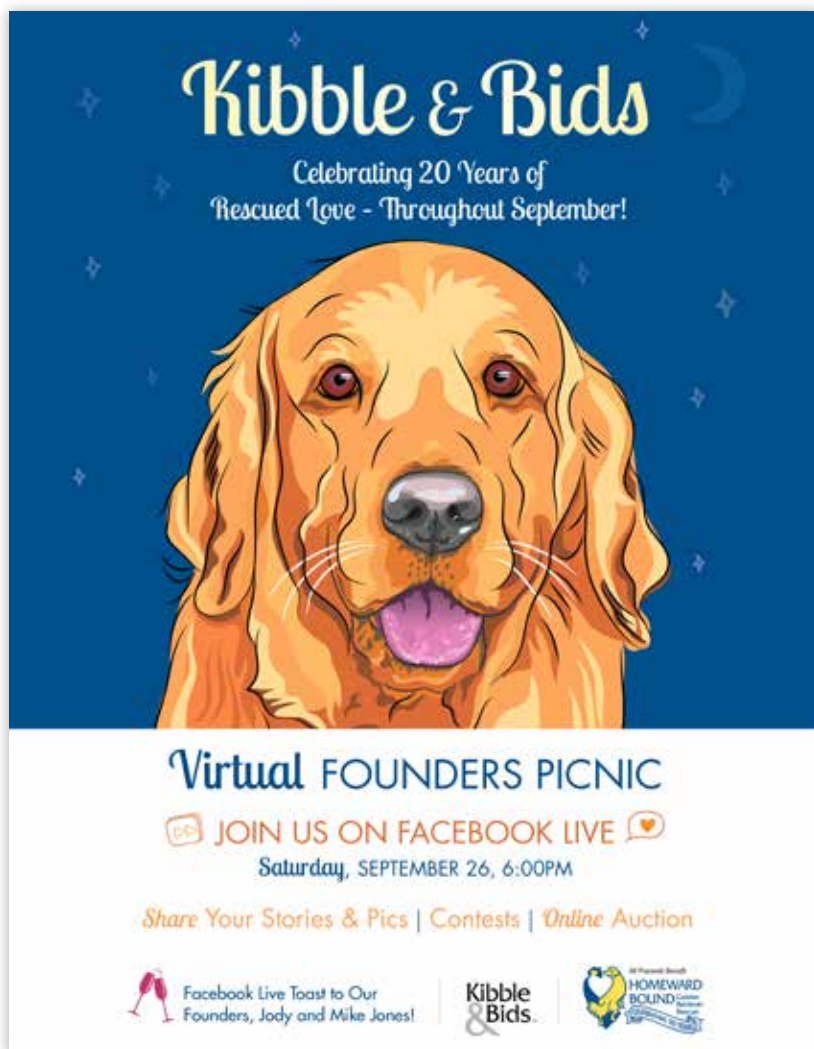
A safer way to play – in support  
of the dogs we love!

Our commitment to rescue is not cancelled - and  
neither is Kibble & Bids!

Because the health and safety of all continues to  
be our top priority, we are making Kibble & Bids a  
VIRTUAL experience this year.

**Our month-long celebration runs throughout  
September.** We'll look back at 20 years of rescued  
love and include ways for everyone to join in the  
fun. **It all culminates in a Facebook Live toast to  
our founders,** Jody and Mike Jones, whose vision  
led to nearly 10,000 dog lives saved - and human  
lives transformed!

**There are multiple ways to join and support.**



## HELP THEM ON THEIR JOURNEYS...SPONSOR!

As a sponsor, you play a vital role in supporting our mission – rescuing, providing care for, and placing hundreds of dogs in loving homes each year. Individual and Corporate Sponsorships are available. Each will help us meet the dogs' needs and support this year's special project: Bricks and Boards.

Sponsors will be spoiled with a special picnic contactlessly delivered to your home so you can share in the fun during our Facebook Live Event! Benefits are detailed on our website.

### SPONSOR LEVELS:

- PACK LEADER: \$1,000
- BEST FRIEND: \$ 500
- CORPORATE SPONSOR: \$2,500

## JOIN US FOR A FACEBOOK LIVE 20th YEAR TOAST TO OUR FOUNDERS, JODY & MIKE JONES!

**SATURDAY, SEPTEMBER 26, 6PM - SO EASY!**

**Join Us** – We'll be live on Facebook, Saturday, September 26th beginning at 6:00PM - coming to you from Homeward Bound.

**If You're Not Familiar with Our Facebook Page** – Go to [www.facebook.com/HomewardBoundGoldens](https://www.facebook.com/HomewardBoundGoldens). Be sure to "LIKE" our page so it shows up in your feed and you stay up-to-date with the activities and fun all month long.

**During the Event** – Log on to our Facebook page at 6:00PM. We will be broadcasting live from Homeward Bound capturing a little bit of our history, sharing some of our favorite dog activities, and finishing by asking you to join us in raising your glasses in a toast to Jody and Mike!

**Share with Us** - By posting your comments and photos during the event so everyone is a part of the celebration...while being safe and well at home!



## CREATE YOUR OWN FUNDRAISER ON FACEBOOK

It's a three-legged race of sorts (in any human and canine combination!) to help us meet our Kibble & Bids fundraising goals. Conduct your own fundraiser on Facebook. You will automatically be entered in our raffle. And we'll cheer you on, highlighting everyone's efforts!

- Compete for awards and prizes!
- Share your activities and progress back on Facebook for everyone to see and like.
- We'll recognize you and your accomplishments at the Facebook Live Virtual Founders Picnic event!



## FILL A BASKET: GIVE AT WHATEVER LEVEL WORKS FOR YOU

Help us fill a picnic basket full of essential every day and extraordinary needs for the dogs. Give at whatever level works for you. All donors will be entered into our raffle! Everyone who donates \$25.00 or more receives a Kibble & Bids bandana to wear at the Facebook Live event. We hope to see a sea of them!

Visit the Kibble & Bids page on our website for the link to donate.



## ALL THE AUCTION FUN - FROM THE COMFORT OF HOME!

Kibble & Bids' auction has gone virtual this year! All of the great adventures, get-aways, and tempting deals you expect will be there – but conducted online. The auction begins Friday, September 18th and concludes Saturday, September 26th.

- Pre-register – There is no need to share your credit card until you win. We will post the bidding website location to our website soon!
- Multiple Ways To Bid – Bid traditionally, buy now, or set a proxy bid with the highest price you are willing to pay and the system will automatically place your bid for you up to the limit you set. So easy and fun!



## SUPPORT OUR SPECIAL PROJECT: BRICKS & BOARDS!

Our eight-acre facility is a blessing for dogs in urgent need of rescue. But this beautiful haven requires upkeep. We have two things at the top of our "Bricks and Boards" list this year:

We have found that pavers lining the yards are a cost-effective way to improve drainage and prevent mud while keeping the natural grass in place for plenty of cool play. Help us complete more yards for health and safety.

Separately, a parvo-exposed puppy-litter necessitates the replacement of flooring in our quarantine trailer and puppy palace. We hope to raise \$25,000 to cover both the paver and flooring projects.

# A Dream of Sanctuary

Before there was Homeward Bound, there were two people who fell into rescue by falling in love with a Golden girl named Chelsea and her sibling, Spencer. One thing led to another, and soon they were leading a rescue effort out of their home. Relationships built with shelter staff and other rescuers led to a spot on a local television station; this propelled them into what would become their life's work.

Jody and Mike Jones founded Homeward Bound Golden Retriever Rescue & Sanctuary in 2000. The "sanctuary" part of this equation was important to them as their hearts were profoundly drawn to those that might not be adopted due to age, psychological issues as a result of abuse and neglect, or health issues (although they have been proven wrong countless times). Busting at the seams, they moved to a beautiful eight-acre property in 2000. For months, Jody lived out of a freezing trailer while Mike wrapped up at their old home.

There was nothing but a house in need of repair and a barn filled with old, rusty junk. The dogs lived with Jody and Mike; baths were done in giant tubs in the driveway; there was no air conditioning in the hot summer; and not a single fence post was in place.

They gathered friends and supporters, and they set to work. By 2003, the barn was framed out, insulated, outfitted with updated electrical, HVAC, and plumbing - ready for the installation of a professional kennel to house the dogs. Posts were dug in the hard ground, and they learned the art of stretching wire fencing. The one-acre park was created first, then a yard adjacent to the barn for easy access. And then another, and another, and another.

An organization took shape: all-volunteer. Formed and maintained ever since from people's passion for those who cannot



speak or act for themselves. The word spread. Funds were raised. Volunteers, donors, adopters, and fosters came.

A shop was built to house the growing inventory of tools and equipment. An in-ground pool and secure fencing were donated and installed for rehabbing dogs. A training pavilion was raised. A vet clinic was built from a Tough Shed, then a Puppy Palace and yard. A memorial garden grew up as a place to remember all those we have met and loved.



Homeward Bound's reach extended statewide, then across the west, and now, internationally. The organization has received national attention and recognition. Our doors have opened not only to Golden Retrievers but to the golden-hearted as well. All of this – the result of two good hearts, a shared vision, and a great deal of stubborn determination.

*"My dream is to build a permanent Sanctuary for my fellow Golden Retrievers who are not*

*adoptable due to their advanced age or for medical and/or psychological reasons. The Sanctuary of my dreams provides shelter for those Golden Retrievers on the mend from injuries or illness, and for those Golden Retrievers who are available for adoption but not yet adopted. In my dreams, the Sanctuary has ample room for the Golden Retrievers to run and play, to have a shelter over their heads, protecting them from the elements, and to have a warm bed at night. The Sanctuary of my dreams has grassy areas for them to simply lie in the sun if that is all their tired bodies will permit. In my dreams, the residents of this Sanctuary don't worry about where or when their next meal may be coming from. Although we specialize in Golden Retrievers, we will open our hearts to any creature in distress."* ~ **Chelsea's Tales**, by Chelsea and Mike Jones.

Please join us in thanking Jody and Mike Jones for their passion and vision at this year's Kibble & Bids Virtual Founder's Picnic, culminating Saturday, September 26 at 6:00PM on Facebook LIVE!



## Before...and After



# Our Golden Hour: Ori's Story

BY: LANETTE ZIMMERMAN

It can be a challenging journey, with difficult twists and turns, to find a forever home. Ori's path finally led to a Carmel-by-the-Sea cottage fittingly called HOME. It is a journey's end where there is plenty of love, encouragement, and time for healing.

Ori, our six-year-old Goldendoodle, was surrendered at age five by his original owners. He has great obedience skills and a Canine Good Citizenship Award, but somewhere, things went wrong. Behavior issues were cited: fearfulness, barking at the husband and strangers, "over-thinking everything," and not being trustworthy. He was undernourished, with eating and digestive issues, ear and eye infections, a matted coat, and was fearful of new people, situations, and objects. He desperately needed the good care and healing of Homeward Bound's amazing volunteers, bonding quickly with several of them.

After medical treatments and acclimation, he became available for adoption, no easy task with his shyness and fearful behaviors. Two different adopters tried, but neither had the much-needed nurturing environment or available time. Each time he was returned, his weight dropped, and his intestinal challenges continued.

Enter an amazing foster. Mary Ann Putman's family gave him over six weeks of nurturing, loving, feeding, and calm. He bonded with Mary Ann and her daughter and slowly became comfortable with her husband and son. Amazing progress!

My personal connection to Ori? Last November we lost our precious 11-year-old Goldendoodle, Buddha, to the ravages of cancer. Heartbroken, we weren't considering another animal so quickly; but



Ori finds his peace.

Homeward Bound came to our rescue with the story of a beautiful boy needing a place to thrive. I wondered, "Might it be with us?" I made the visit that changed everything for both of us; meeting Ori with adoption counselor, Carolyn Unger, whose loving hand guided me through my tears and to the realization that I was, indeed, ready. But that was just a start, I needed to get my family onboard. Still grieving, they were not sure it was time to venture forward. But, when they saw Ori's face and heard his story, they became ready.



My granddaughter accompanied me in early January to bring Ori home. With love and kindness, Mary Ann and Carolyn helped him feel comfortable with us. On our three-hour trip home, Ori gave us our first glimpse that he was sweet, gentle, shy, and eager to love and be loved. This began our adventure of discovery, action, and rewards, as we started creating a new life for him and for us all!

We gave him a new name to go with his new life. He is now Orion, or "Ori." The constellation of stars called Orion is special to our family. We memorialized our three Golden Retrievers (Shady, Jazz and Tap) in Orion's Belt, the three center stars of the constellation. We also re-named the bright cluster known as Orion's Sword for Buddha. This connection to the constellation determined Orion's new name. It took him about a month to learn it; now, it seems like it has always been his.

My focus was to create an environment where Ori could be at ease and feel unthreatened. An assessment by my vet and an animal behaviorist resulted in them telling me, in no uncertain terms, that I had a challenge on my hands—one that might be more than I was prepared to accept. While that was not unexpected, I knew that Ori and I were already making progress both with his behavioral and medical issues.

My vet provided us with weekly lessons, helping us manage his exposure to new people and situations. Working as a team, we helped him gain confidence so that he could have a comprehensive physical exam and begin medical treatments: numerous tests, x-rays, an ultrasound of his abdomen and digestive tract, and an endoscopy. He had severe intestinal inflammation, likely caused by years of high stress. We are treating his IBS with medications and a limited ingredient diet. We provide quiet time in the kitchen for his meals, still hand-feeding part of each

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meal. He is steadily gaining weight. His ears showed what appeared to be a long history of ear infections, so we treated that. His paws had become embedded with burs and stones tangled in long and knotted hair which the vet removed during sedation. Even while he was in pain, he still wanted to take walks and was loving!

We have discovered that behind his fears is an incredibly smart and sensitive boy, ready to bond with those who allow him to come to them on his own terms. My daughter, her husband and my granddaughter are visiting for the summer and he captured their hearts by seeking their attention, romping like a prancing pony, giving hugs, enjoying a nightly “find-the-cookie” game, and relaxing on the cool tiles on the terrace. Once afraid of men, he even seeks out my daughter’s husband for treats and snuggles!

We have a big, tall, beautiful boy with a long history of stress and uncertainty; but because of Homeward Bound, today he has a home that is calm, loving, and stable. Do we still have work to do? Yes. Are we making great progress? Yes. Would we trade this for anything? No. Are we grateful? Absolutely.

Every day when Golden Hour comes, we bask in our good fortune of being part of Ori’s story. Of being part of a happy homecoming. Of being a family that now includes a golden boy named Orion,



## Dog Parenting 101: What a Dog Really Costs

When we bring a dog into our program, we make a lifelong commitment to it. If for any reason, the dog can no longer stay with its adopter, it must be returned to Homeward Bound. While we know that life sometimes changes in unexpected ways, we are looking for adopters that are not only willing—but able—to make that lifetime commitment, as well. That doesn’t mean that we only adopt to well-to-do families. In fact, we have programs that support senior people, senior dogs, and dogs with lifelong medical needs. In general, however, we expect that a family will think beyond the initial adoption fee to the dog’s expected—and unexpected—future needs.

All of our dogs go home spayed or neutered, with their vaccinations brought up-to-date and any known medical issues addressed. But that adorable pup that you fell in love comes with a lifetime of needs.

Before you purchase or adopt a dog or puppy, you can avoid heartbreak by hitting the pause button to consider the true cost of dog parenthood. Here is a conservative list of estimated annual necessities that a dog parent can expect to incur or plan for. And remember...the bigger the dog, the higher the cost.

### Estimated Annual Expenses

Food and treats \$850  
License \$25  
Annual Vet Exam and Vaccinations \$250  
Pet Insurance \$500  
Vet emergencies \$1,500  
Monthly flea, tick and heartworm prevention \$400

That’s a budget of \$3,525 per year before you include bedding, toys, leashes, collars, possible training classes, grooming, or pet-sitting when you are away.

Sure, you can decide not to budget for pet insurance or pet emergencies. More often than not, however, the cost of those emergencies prompts people to surrender their dogs. Even skipping these costs, you are looking at a minimum of \$1,500-\$2,000 per year with no room for the unexpected.

Bringing a dog home should never be an impulse decision. For their sake and yours, consider the real cost of pet ownership before adding to your fur family.

## Shop & Donate At No Cost With Amazon Smile

Don't forget that you can support Homeward Bound every time you shop on Amazon – at no cost to you! When you shop at [smile.amazon.com](https://smile.amazon.com), you'll find the exact same prices, selection and shopping experience as Amazon.com, with the added bonus that Amazon will donate 0.5% of the purchase price to your favorite charitable organization. It adds up to thousands of dollars in support of the dogs each year.

To shop at AmazonSmile simply go to [smile.amazon.com](https://smile.amazon.com). On your first visit to AmazonSmile, select Homeward Bound Golden Retriever Rescue as your charitable organization before you begin shopping. Amazon will remember your selection, and then every eligible purchase you make at [smile.amazon.com](https://smile.amazon.com) will result in a donation!

What a great and simple way to contribute to the dogs – at no cost to you!



## A Lasting Legacy That Expresses Your Love of Dogs

If you have shared your life with a rescued dog, you know how blessed you have been – not only for the love and companionship you shared but to know that you helped to save a life. Including Homeward Bound Golden Retriever Rescue & Sanctuary in your final giving plans is one of the most powerful statements you can make about your love and concern for animals.

Naming us in your will or trust, for example, is one of the easiest ways to

ensure that future generations of Golden Retrievers in need will find a second chance at life. Planned giving is an option for donors of all incomes and may allow you to make a larger gift in the future than you otherwise could from current assets. A planned gift can also help you reduce capital gains or estate taxes on your heirs. You can also provide for the care of your pets in your estate plan – an important consideration for all of us.

We always recommend that you speak with your accountant or financial advisor to determine the most beneficial means of giving for you and your family. You'll find our helpful Guide to Giving on our website found here: [homewardboundgoldens.org/how-to-help/planned-giving.html](https://homewardboundgoldens.org/how-to-help/planned-giving.html).

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A full-service veterinary medical facility, providing excellent medical, surgical and dental care to our patients while promoting responsible pet ownership, preventative health care and health-related educational opportunities for our clients.



# Lightning Strikes Twice (Cont'd)

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with neighbor dogs, which has helped greatly with his socialization. Environment is everything.

Most importantly, he has filled an emotional void and provides the companionship I missed so much. Each dog is unique in its own right. He is not Leo's replacement, but they share so many characteristics that I sometimes feel that Leo sent me a five-year-old version of himself as Teddy. Maybe lightning really does strike twice.



When making decisions about the future, I wanted to know that my legacy gift would reflect my values and what is dear to me, but would also have a real and meaningful impact and not be lost in a big corporate bureaucracy. It just so happens that those all came together around furry, golden creatures supported by people whose hearts I admire in a beautiful place built by their effort so dogs like Leo and Teddy could have happy second chapters. The impact of this work extends beyond dogs to human lives, too.

*(By including Homeward Bound Golden Retriever Rescue and Sanctuary in your estate or planned giving, you create a legacy ensuring that more Golden lives are saved. There are many options from which to choose. **You can download our Guide to Giving to help you determine the right approach for you—providing current or future benefits to yourself, your heirs, and to the Golden Retrievers in our care. Look for it on our website under How To Help.***

## How to Reach Us

Your help and ideas are always welcome! Contact team leaders below if you are interested in helping in any of these areas:

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## Turn KIBBLE INTO CASH for the pups at Homeward Bound!

For every large bag of Nature's Select Premium Pet Food purchased, Nature's Select will donate \$3.00 back to Homeward Bound. Nature's Select provides FREE HOME DELIVERY in the greater Northern California area. It's all-natural, holistic pet food from a local, family-owned and operated company.

*"The Homeward Bound dogs are doing great since we started feeding them Nature's Select. We love the convenience of having the food delivered to us, as well as the generous donations the "Kibble Into Cash" program provides."*

- Jody Jones, President, Homeward Bound Golden Retriever Rescue & Sanctuary

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## Dates To Remember

**Kibble & Bids Goes Virtual! Facebook Live Broadcast**  
**Saturday, September 26 at 6PM**

**Giving Tree, Starts Thanksgiving Day**

## Help Wanted

### **Volunteer Positions Currently in High Demand:**

- **Feeders:** A dog's best friend. Physically demanding, but so rewarding!
- **Walkers:** Build bonds of trust through walking, playing, training, and grooming. Help prepare the dogs for their forever homes.
- **Youth Leaders:** Inspire a love of rescue in the next generation.

## Our Golden Wish List

You can also shop our **Amazon Wish List**. You'll find the link on our website!

### For Our Goldens:

Nature's Select Dog Food (donate with your online purchase)  
Large Pill Pockets  
Dog Cookies  
Rubber-backed Rugs  
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### Office Supplies

Postage Stamps  
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