

## **News Release**

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## 2nd Chance 4 Pets Partners with Pets Forever in Colorado to Provide Resources to Elderly and Disabled Pet Owner Clients

LOS GATOS, Calif. (December 22, 2012) — 2nd Chance 4 Pets is pleased to announce a partnership with the Colorado nonprofit program, Pets Forever.

Pets Forever provides resources to low-income elderly and disabled residents of Larimer County, Colorado so these residents can maintain ownership of their pets for as long as possible. Pets Forever volunteers provide services to clients and their pets, including in-home animal care such as dog walking, brushing, feces removal, litter box cleaning, transportation of animals to the veterinarian or groomer, and delivery of pet food and supplies. Pets Forever also offers financial assistance for veterinary care and pet supplies.

Pets Forever is a collaborative effort of several local organizations and Colorado State University departments, which includes the Colorado State University Veterinary Teaching Hospital. The program creates opportunities for students to participate in community service, gain valuable real-life experience, and earn college credit.

Through the partnership, Pets Forever distributes 2nd Chance 4 Pets information to their clients to help ensure that pets will be cared for in the event that the pets outlive their humans.

"We are very excited to work with the 2nd Chance 4 Pets' volunteer team to provide elderly pet owners with important information to ensure continued pet care," said Dr. Lori Kogan of Pets

Forever. "We encourage seniors to make appropriate plans to ensure that their pets are cared for in the event of their own death."

In December 2012, Dr. Kogan, along with 2nd Chance 4 Pets Director Amy Shever, discussed their partnership and their relative programs on *Critter Patter*, a Colorado KRFC NPR radio program.

## **About 2nd Chance 4 Pets**

The mission of 2nd Chance 4 Pets is to reduce the number of pets that are unnecessarily surrendered to animal shelters each year due to the death or incapacity of the human companions who care for them. 2nd Chance 4 Pets is a nonprofit, 501(c)(3), all-volunteer organization. The organization works nationwide to provide pet owners with comprehensive information and lifetime care solutions for their pets. Please visit www.2ndchance4pets.org for more information.

## **About Pets Forever**

Pets Forever is designed to help low-income elderly and disabled residents of Larimer County continue the care of their pets for as long as possible, and to improve the health and well-being of these pets and owners by providing important help and resources. Visit www.csuvth.colostate.edu/diagnostic\_and\_support/community\_programs/pets\_forever for more information.

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