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The Humane Society of North Texas Partners with the Petco Foundation to Celebrate National Foster a Pet Month in June

Local Foster Hero Recognized for Saving Animal Lives in Fort Worth, Texas

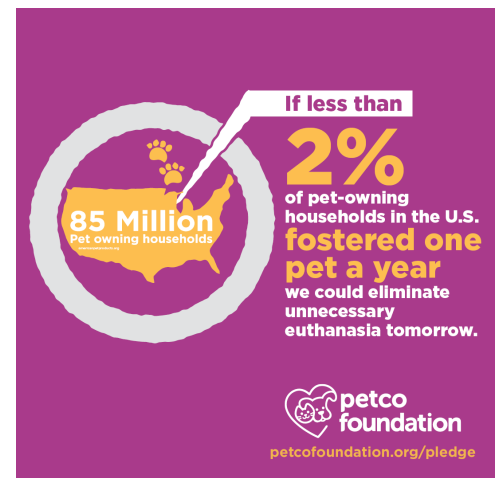
Fort Worth, Texas, June 5, 2020 – The Humane Society of North Texas (HSNT) is celebrating National Foster a Pet Month with the Petco Foundation and Skechers' charity footwear collection, BOBS from Skechers, by recognizing Local Foster Hero, Cara Woo, for stepping up and saving animal lives in Fort Worth.

Cara Woo is one of the many fosters the Humane Society of North Texas goes to for anything it may need. Cara has saved more than 30 foster animals to date -- many being touch-and-go cases. Cara has a heart for the animals doing everything and anything needed to take care of them. Since mid-March, when the COVID-19 pandemic hit North Texas, Cara has fostered twelve cats and kittens! Cara is just an all around great person and a great asset to the HSNT foster team.

"The Humane Society of North Texas worked with over 400 emergency foster families who stepped up to assist during the COVID-19 pandemic. These fosters have been the lifeline to our continued success in saving countless lives," says Cassie Davidson, Director of Communications.

"It is an honor to recognize the Local Foster Heroes who are making a difference in their communities and demonstrating the lifesaving impact of fostering pets," said Susanne Kogut, president of the Petco Foundation. "During the response to the COVID-19 crisis, we saw a significant spike in the number of people fostering pets. Our goal is to continue this trend, inspire more people to join the pet fostering movement and make pets sheltering in foster homes, versus animal shelters, the new normal. Because, if less than 2 percent of pet-owning households in the U.S. fostered one pet a year, we could eliminate unnecessary euthanasia in animal shelters tomorrow."

National Foster a Pet Month is part of the Petco Foundation's [Pledge to Save Pet Lives](https://petcofoundation.org/pledge) which encourages animal lovers to adopt, foster,



volunteer and/or donate this summer with a goal of inspiring 1.5 million pledges to match the approximate number of pets unnecessarily euthanized in shelters each year in the U.S.

In addition to mobilizing the animal-loving public to help local animal welfare organizations save lives through the COVID-19 crisis, the Petco Foundation's [Pledge to Save Pet Lives](#) included \$1M in emergency product and cash donations to animal shelters. This commitment follows the Petco Foundation's recent distribution of more than \$13M to animal welfare organizations nationwide.

To learn more about the Humane Society of North Texas and how you can help, visit hsnt.org. For more on the Petco Foundation and to take the Pledge to Save Pet Lives, visit petcofoundation.org/pledge and join the conversation on [Facebook](#), [Twitter](#) and [Instagram](#) using #SavePetLives.

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About the Humane Society of North Texas

Since 1905, the Humane Society of North Texas (HSNT) has worked to eliminate animal cruelty, promote humane values and end animal homelessness in North Texas. As an independent nonprofit organization, HSNT relies on the generosity of the public to help ensure there is a safe place for abused, injured, and homeless animals in the community. To make a lifesaving donation, please visit hsnt.org/donate or [Facebook](#). To learn more about HSNT, visit hsnt.org, [Facebook](#), [Twitter](#) and [Instagram](#).

About the Petco Foundation and BOBS from Skechers

At the Petco Foundation, we believe that every animal deserves to live its best life. Since 1999, we've invested more than \$260 million in lifesaving work to make that happen. With our more than 4,000 animal welfare partners, we inspire and empower communities to make a difference by investing in adoption and medical care programs, spay and neuter services, pet cancer research, service and therapy animals, and numerous other lifesaving initiatives. Through our Think Adoption First program, we partner with Petco stores and animal welfare organizations across the country to increase pet adoption. So far, we've helped more than 6.5 million pets find their new loving families, and we're just getting started. Visit petcofoundation.org to learn more about how you can get involved.

BOBS from Skechers' charitable collection of footwear, apparel and accessories have improved animals' lives. Over the past three years, Skechers has contributed more than \$5.45 million to help more than one million shelter pets, including saving more than 661,000 rescued pets in the United States. To learn more about BOBS from Skechers' commitment to making a difference and its partnership with the Petco Foundation, visit www.BOBSfromSkechers.com and follow the brand on [Facebook](#), [Instagram](#), and [Twitter](#).