



2021 Annual Report

{MISSION}

Making the lives of pigs and pugs happier and healthier.

{PROGRAMMING}

Tranquil Space Foundation's (TSF) signature program, Pigs & Pugs Project, continues to grow and raise awareness of pigs and pugs, host events, and provide micro grants to pig sanctuaries and pug rescues in need.

Due to COVID, our three annual signature events were cancelled, but we anticipate resuming in-person again soon.

{GRANTS}

In 2021, we shared \$4,350 with pig sanctuaries and pug rescues in need. Since the shift to animal welfare programming in 2016, TSF has given \$25,800 in micro grants to help organizations dealing with a medical crisis, hoarding cases, natural disasters, and more. [Learn more about the grantee organizations here.](#)

{SUCCESS STORIES}

Pacific Pug Rescue: Pearl

Pearl was surrendered by her owner when they could no longer care for her. We were told she had a growth that they had not been able to take care of, but we certainly were not expecting to see this big of a growth. Pearl had a hard time walking because of the size, and she seemed very uncomfortable. She did not have any life in her eyes and it seemed like she had given up. We took her to our vet immediately, expecting to hear it was cancer



and we would have to put her down. We got a call that they felt it was a massive hernia and wanted to do surgery right then! The growth was removed successfully and as they suspected it was a massive hernia! Because of the size and how long the surgery took, it was a hard recovery for Pearl. She went for daily laser therapy and had lymphatic massage to help get rid of the swelling. Once she had recovered, she was immediately scooped up by her new family! They sent this update about her new life:

Pearl caught my eye immediately when we saw her pics and read her story from a Pacific Pug Rescue social medial post. We have been adopting senior pugs since 2017, two which have been through PPR. At the time we still had another senior, Lola, we

had adopted via PPR in 2020, but knew we had more room in our hearts and home to welcome Pearl.

On the drive home from Portland to Seattle after pickup Pearl up, she was already cuddling and snoozing with Lola. Within no time after arriving home, Pearl was exploring house and yard, and definitely tried out all of the dog beds available to her (and there are many!). Within days we saw her gain a little “pep in her step” and excitement as she pranced about outside. Within a few weeks we started bringing her along on walks with Lola to help her regain some strength and continue on her journey towards living her best life. She sleeps in bed with us either in her “Pearl Pod” dog bed (one that she claimed as her own in her foster home), or snuggling beside us. Her favorite upstairs bed is under a giant plant and at certain parts of the day gets the sunny spot which she loves. After she wakes up in the morning and has her breakfast she is often found waiting by the couch in the living room for someone to lift her up so she can snuggle and snooze among a pile of blankets. Pearl has trained everyone that if she’s being held, her preference is to be held like a baby—relaxed on her back. Even the vets office carried her around like that. If we head out and about, Pearl is often cruising in her dog stroller and drawing people in for lots of pets and love. We have yet to hear her bark, but her personality shines through all day every day. We simply couldn’t imagine our lives without our girl Pearl.

Learn more about Pacific Pug Rescue and [support their work here](#).

Homeward Bound Pug Rescue: Hope



On a very hot day last summer, we received a phone call that a little old lady pug needed help. She was dumped at a Rehab center in a small Oklahoma town. The kind folks there tried to keep her safe until someone could be dispatched to pick her up.

A very sweet HBPR supporter drove to pick her up and by the time she arrived at Homeward Bound we had named her Valerie Hope in honor of the clinic where she was found. This precious girl had a very large mammary tumor, her skin was red, raw and itchy from fleas and ticks, and she was malnourished. She was taken to our vet the next day and had bloodwork, an ultrasound, and a heartworm test. Hope not only had a huge mammary tumor but several small ones. She received emergency surgery the very next day. Our amazing vet managed to get her into

a clinical trial for a new cancer drug that consisted of three injections, a month apart. As you can imagine this was extremely expensive, but she was so worth saving. Hope is such a sweetheart and despite her issues she wagged her little tail and was so trusting. Since Hope had not given up on humans, we sure weren't giving up on her.

Because of the generosity, support, and love given by you and others, Hope was able to receive all her cancer treatments. The nasty tumors are gone, and she has a smooth belly. She finally put on some weight and loved to snuggle with her puggy friends and human foster. She even got to hang out one night at the bar that the lady that picked her up manages and everyone loved her! Although she needs to be checked every few months and needs to get an ultrasound now and then, she is a happy cancer free girl.

Last December, Hope flew to Maine with her new human brother to meet her forever family, who had previously adopted several of our girls. She is now living her best life with her mom and dad, pug sisters and her pug Nanny Katara, a Rottie/Lab mix that loves all creatures great and small. Thank you all so much for helping a little pug get better and live the rest of her life surrounded by love.

Learn more about Homeward Bound Pug Rescue and [support their work here](#).

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