

good deeds

I am happy to report that as of this writing there are no Minnesota dogs currently in rescue needing homes. Roxy went to her new home just before Christmas and things seem to be going quite well.

The Love-a-Bull MN Bulldog Rescue Group would like to thank all of the people that have aided us in the quest to find “forever” homes for Bulldogs in this area in 2007. A successful rescue group gets help from many quarters and we appreciate every effort extended our way to help rescue dogs. To those of you who have either fostered dogs or have offered to do so in the future, we offer a sincere: “Thank you!” For those of you who donated items for our silent auction fundraisers we thank you also. And of course, thanks goes out to each of you who have bid on those items that were donated and for bidding generously. Thanks also to all of the people that have helped our group in other ways.

There are many other things that people can do to help rescue groups. Assisting rescue efforts can be about more than just about donating money or fostering dogs. I’ve copied a list of things that people can do to help with rescue efforts. Check the list over and see if there is something you think that you could do to help. No effort is too small or unimportant and we welcome all volunteers.

The list below was compiled by Stefanie Light, BCARN President:

The rescue job can be difficult and time-consuming. While not everyone can (or should) make the commitment to provide the full range of rescue services (providing foster care, screening applicants, doing home inspections, making placement decisions, and so on), there are many ways Bulldog lovers can help the rescue cause.

- ◆ Make tax-deductible donations to the Bulldog Club of America Rescue Network, Inc. Checks should be made payable to BCA Rescue Network and sent to:
Robert A. Cocks, Treasurer
BCA Rescue Network, Inc.
PO Box 403
Hazelwood MO 63042
- ◆ Donate food, medications, equipment and supplies to a local Bulldog rescue group.
- ◆ Organize or help with fund-raising events to benefit Bulldog rescue in your area.
- ◆ Donate items for raffles, yard sales, Silent Auctions, etc.
- ◆ Provide temporary housing for rescued Bulldogs, even if only overnight in an emergency.
- ◆ Pick up dogs from shelters and transport them to the foster home or the vet.
- ◆ Help local rescuers with socializing and training rescued dogs.
- ◆ Give advice to current Bulldog owners to help them keep the Bulldog instead of giving him/her up to the rescue program.
- ◆ Tell people about the BCA rescue program and encourage them to adopt rescued dogs.
- ◆ Contact animal shelters and veterinarians to get their commitment to call Bulldog rescue when they know of a Bulldog that needs a new home.
- ◆ Post rescue flyers or business cards at vets offices, animal shelters, pet supply stores, and other places dog lovers visit.
- ◆ Go with rescuers to "rescue days" at pet stores, vets offices, etc. to publicize rescue and talk to prospective adopters.
- ◆ Educate people about the importance of buying puppies only from reputable breeders who observe the BCA Code of Ethics.
- ◆ Tell everyone you know never to buy puppies from casual breeders, pet stores or puppy mills.

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