



# CSDR NEWS

CHIHUAHUA & SMALL DOG RESCUE, INC.

## Puppy Mill Dogs 6 Weeks Later



This little girl's name is Celia, and she is called "CC" at her foster home. She is a very shy little girl and is not sure what to think just yet. CC came from a puppy mill in Missouri and was there to breed for her puppies. She is a great dog and knows how to potty outside already. CC loves to lie in the grass and play with the other dogs at the house. CC has shown no issues at her foster home other than she needs a little more time to get used to people. She will sleep in her kennel at night or on the bed! CC has been around a few kids and keeps her distance from all people right now.

CC is going to make huge progress in the next few weeks and is taking cookies out of her foster mom's hands right now, which is a huge step! CC is going to make a great family pet when she understands that she is safe! Please

take a good look at me and how I would fit into your family!



My name is Betsy. I am living with a foster family since coming from the puppy mill. I live with my foster parents and their three children ages 16, 14, and 10, and a family dog and the family cat. My foster mom says I am doing really well. I am house broken, and get along great with the family dog who is teaching me how to be a pet. I get along fine with the family cat except for the fact she scares me. I am getting to know how to walk with a leash; I don't like to do it for long and ask to be picked up. I am slowing being introduced to strangers and do ok with it. I still have some people issues to overcome.

When I am really happy I dance; it makes my foster mom laugh. I get really excited when she brings my breakfast. I enjoy lying on the couch in the

evening and lay at my foster mom's feet on the bed. Overall, I am working really hard to learn how to be a pet; it is all so new to me, but I know it a lot better than when I first came to my foster mom's home.



Hello my name is Cheeto, and I was rescued from a puppy mill. I was scared when I went to my foster home, but I am slowly coming out of my shell. I like other dogs, and I do not mind cats. I am working on my potty training, and I am getting better. I love being outside. I am a small fella, about 5 pounds, so I can get out of the smallest hole in your fence. My foster mother really likes me and wants me to go to a home with lots of love and attention.



Hello My name is Jim Bob. I was rescued from a puppy mill. I am a Chihuahua about 9 years old, and I weigh 5 lbs. I am still on the scared side. I am at the point now where my tail isn't always tucked away. I do not wag it yet, but one of these days I will. I had a bad eye so I had to have one of my eyes removed. I am still healing from that operation. I feel so much better. I do not mind cats, but I need a home where I can be number one. I am a total lap dog. I am not good at stairs, and I do not jump. I will stay still for long periods of time because I am not sure what you want me to do. I am a special fella that weighs on the high side of 4 pounds. I will get out of holes in your fence. My foster mom likes me so much she wants me to go where I can get all the attention and endless love.

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## Puppy Mill Update Continued



My name is Lola, and as you can see by my picture, I am quite the showgirl. I don't have any yellow ribbons yet, but maybe we can work that out when you take me home with you. I was rescued from a puppy mill (can you believe that anyone would want to hurt a cutie like me), and I am really happy to be in a safe place. When I first went to stay with my foster mom, I was so scared that I wouldn't even come out of my crate. Now, I am so excited when my foster mom comes home from work that I run around in little circles and wag my tail until I am out of breath! Because I am a lady, I am still pretty cautious about the company I keep, so sometimes I need to check people out from afar until I feel comfortable. I am starting to warm up to people though—I even got up the courage to start giving my foster mom little kisses! Until we hang out for a little while, I will probably run away from you when you try to pick me up. I like being held in your lap because it makes me feel comfortable.

**A house without a dog is as strange to me as a house without any windows.**  
—Anonymous



Hi, my name is Keelo (or Kilo as my foster Dad likes to call me—I am a little bit on the Kirstie Alley (old version) side). I came from a puppy mill, but I am now safe in the hands of my foster parents. My teeth are not in the best shape right now but I am getting them cleaned very soon. I am crate trained, but I haven't used the darn thing ever since my foster parents bought me a new pink bed. The bed is shaped like a tiara, and it has "Princess" written on the pillow. I love it because that is just what I am. I am not potty trained yet, but my foster parents are trying very hard to teach me. My foster Mom said I am approximately 3 yrs old so I am very young and vivacious. I don't like to be picked up all that much, but I am slowly learning that every time my Mom picks me up, I get a little treat. I get along with my foster brother and sister, but I don't like them that much when they go near my food. I love wagging my tail and I bark sometimes when I want attention.

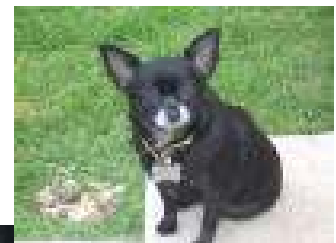


Hello everyone: My name is Lucinda, and I

am a 6 year old female cocker spaniel. I have had a very hard life but am warming up to my foster mom and her dog. When I was first rescued, I was shaking a lot because I was scared all of the time. I am not as nervous all the time anymore, and I am making improvements every day. I wag my tail when my foster mom comes home and even like to watch my foster sister play. I absolutely love to be outside too! Walks are so much fun. My foster mom thinks I am very special, and it gives her great joy to see my little steps each day. I will warm up to anyone given time. My foster mom is sitting close to me for a while each morning and night and that is helping me learn to trust and learn to enjoy being pet and being given affection. I would do best in a home that has the patience and the desire to nurture me back to physical and emotional health. It will take a little bit of time, but it will be very rewarding. I am one smart cookie!



Posey was rescued from a puppy mill where she lived in a cage virtually her whole life, giving birth to quite a few little Chihuahuas. Posey is a Chihuahua and is about 8 years old and weighs about 9 lbs. She was very shy at first with us, but she's really come out of her shell lately, getting bolder each day. She likes to have her head scratched and although she's a little timid about being picked up at first, she likes to be held and will sit in your lap happily. Every day she realizes more and more that she doesn't have to be afraid anymore, and she gets more and more friendly and playful. We wish we could keep her for ourselves because she's so cute, but we already have two dogs. Speaking of which, she has gotten along just fine with our two dogs, so that shouldn't be a problem. We think she'll make a great pet for someone who loves her as much as we have come to love her.



Ria is a very happy, loving and sweet little dog. She loves to be held and to have her tummy rubbed, and if she has

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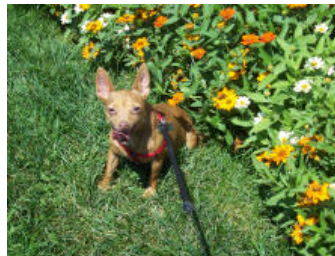
## Puppy Mill Update Continued

not had enough of being loved, she will let you know by pushing your hand and arm with her little nose until you pick her up and continue. She loves to run around the yard, then comes back and does the cutest little play bow; she is still a little shy when you are standing and bend to pick her up, but other than that she is doing great. She loves cats and dogs. She is well on her way to being housebroken. She hides her dry food in her blankets in her kennel; she doesn't eat much of it because she might need it later!!!!



Margo is a 6 year old long hair Chihuahua who likes the company of other dogs and be part of the pack. When I take her out right after I wake up, she will go potty outside. Sometimes she will have an "accident" between walks, but can hold it most of the time. I don't know how she is with cats or children—have never exposed her to them. She is still scared when approaching to pet her, but once you do she is OK. She is not a very active dog, in part due to her age and in part to her heart murmur.

She is doing much better now that the temperatures have cooled down, but still coughs during the day, especially when excited (because I am back, after barking at sounds at the door, when we are preparing to go outside, or when scared).



My name is Rita and what I lack in looks I make up for in personality. I'm so happy; I never stop wagging my tail. My likes include short walks around the block, looking at my reflection in the dishwasher, and following my foster parents around the house. My dislikes include being alone. I LOVE to go outside. I like to run extremely short distances. I'm a quick learner, and I'm doing fabulous with the leash. I don't mean to brag, but when I go to the dog park, I am the star of the show. People love to scratch my belly because it makes me so happy I have to roll around on the ground. Twice a day I take my primary hypertension medication, and I require that it be wrapped in a treat. Other than that, I'm pretty low-maintenance. I'm very quiet. I never bark. In fact I've only barked once at my foster home when I

was left in my crate. I make exponential progress every day. My irritating puppy roommate is even starting to grow on me. I am coming right along.



I came to my foster home with the name Rosa. I didn't even know I had a name, but my foster mom calls me Little Bit now. The first day here she put this collar & leash thing on me. Talk about scary, I totally freaked out! I've learned that it isn't such a bad thing though. There are so many things here that are different & new to me. Everyday I get to go outside; I've learned that I love the grass & sunshine. The hardest part of being in my new home is people wanting to hold & touch me. I do my best not let this happen. I hide in a corner & push them away with my paws, but it doesn't work. It scares me so much, I tense up, shake and cry. No one has hurt me, but after 9 years of not knowing this feeling it is SO scary. I am learning to enjoy being in the same room as humans, as long as no one comes near me. For now my foster mom tells me she will keep loving me and hopes that someday I will trust humans will never hurt me again, wouldn't that be nice?



I'm Rose and came from a puppy mill in Missouri. I was very shy and scared. I have several scars on my body from the puppy mill, but they don't bother me any. I went through such trauma when I finally arrived in Colorado. I got a bath, nails clipped, microchipped, spayed, shots and teeth cleaning. After all that was done, I went to my new foster home. My foster mom was very quiet and gentle with me, and offered lots of treats and special snuggles. After only a few days, I have now learned that the leash is not scary. When I see it, I get really excited to go outside and play! I am not potty trained but trying really hard to learn. I am crate trained obviously and do NOT go to the bathroom in it. I LOVE sleeping in my doggy bed filled with toys! I bark very very little, but love wagging my tail, and my mom says I have a very cute smile. I am still a bit scared when my foster mom tries to pick me up, but I'm slowly getting better. I get along very well with other dogs.

*Special thanks to the foster parents who took the time to update us on the puppy mill dogs.*

## Canine Academy in Colorado Springs, August 11

On Saturday August 11th, Chihuahua & Small Dog Rescue participated in an adoption event at Canine Academy in Colorado Springs. While we don't adopt out the dogs at these events, we take the fosters and let people meet them. We also held a fundraiser, providing lost cost microchipping to the public. Ten volunteers and nine foster dogs attended and despite the heat, a great time was had by all. Of course, our little guys were very popular and did us proud by winning the hearts of everyone who visited our tent.



## Petco Grand Opening, September 9

We were at Petco's Grand Opening weekend on September 9th. Petco was celebrating their new opening with different contests throughout the day. June Bamber, one of our volunteers, was one of the judges for the different contests. It was a little cooler day than what we have been used to, now that summer is just

about over. Our little ones thought that they were cold, so we had them all bundled up in blankets and carried them around in the doggy slings that Mary Stiny has made. Our little ones were a hit and everyone enjoyed visiting our little furry friends. As with most of our events we offered low cost microchip-

ping. We had a great day, met a lot of wonderful people. Michelle Reynolds and Candice Hickerson were our vet techs for the day. June & Ted Bamber, James & Brenda Cardis, Wendy Tutton and Sue Fisher all volunteered to help out at this event. We all had a great day.

## Goodsearch

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## HOW OUR PETS CAN REDUCE OUR STRESSES AND ANXIETIES

By: Stanley Popovich

Animals and our pets can be a great way to reduce our every day stresses and anxieties. It is not easy to deal with our fears and anxieties; however, spending time with animals can makes us feel better. Here is a list of ways of how animals can help us to better cope with our fears, anxieties, and stresses.

Spending time with animals can be a great source of companionship. Whether you have a pet or go to your local shelter, spending time with an animal or pet can help us to feel better. Also many people talk to their pets, and this can help us to get our problems out in the open. Animals can be of good company to all of us and can prevent the fear of being alone during our troubles.

Helping animals and other people through

community service can be a great way to overcome our anxieties. There are many animals out there who could benefit from your time and talents. Doing something that will help your pet or other animals can give you a source of pride and accomplishment and also can lead to possible friendships with others.

Sitting around and accomplishing nothing will not make things any better whether its dealing with the fear of being alone or something else. Animals can help us to be active and to focus our energies on working with them instead of worrying about things that may or may not happen. This will prevent us from worrying about our current situation.

One of the ways to manage stress is to challenge your negative thinking

with positive thoughts. Animals can help us to relax and help us to focus on the good things in our lives. This will help us to focus positively on any situation. Playing with animals can help reduce our fears and anxieties in any situation.

Animals can get our minds off of our problems. A person could do an activity with their pet or other animals that will give them a fresh perspective on things. Spending time with animals will get your mind off of the problem and give you the energy to do other things. Most importantly, playing with animals will give you the self-confidence that you can cope and that you can get through the day.

Remember that there are many ways that animals can reduce the stresses of our every day life;

however, they are not a substitute of getting professional help. If your fears and anxieties become overwhelming, then you will need to talk to a counselor. The next time you feel stressed, spend some time with your pet or other animals and you will be better able to cope with your worries.

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### Welcome to CSDR!!!

Cherish Bar

Pat Libhart

Candice Hickerson

Heidi Husges

Charlie Burgess

Ruby Smith

Jan Smith

**A dog a day keeps the doctor away.**

**—Norman Le Blanc**

**Puppies are nature's remedy for feeling unloved...plus numerous other ailments of life.**

**—Richard Allan Palm**

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## Upcoming Events

October 13, 2007

### Petco Adoption Days

Adoption Meet & Greet. Come visit with some of our little ones that are available for adoption. Our foster parents will be available to answer any of your questions and we will accept applications for adoptions. This is a day that you can meet several little ones at the same time. We look forward to seeing you there.

7460 South University Boulevard  
Littleton, CO 80122

9:00am - 3:00pm

## Halloween Caution

Halloween is just weeks away. The holiday may be fun for us, but bring possible dangers for our furry friends. If you give in to the temptation to dress up your pal, supervise at all times so that your pet doesn't try to wiggle out of the outfit and possibly strangle itself. Keep an eye on black dogs and cats lest ghouls make off with them. Keep all candy and wrappers away from dogs. They don't need the sugar, chocolate is toxic, and wrappers can cause choking or GI upsets.

## Upcoming Fund Raiser

We have another fundraiser, it is the silent auction that we did last year.

2007 Cats With Gratitude Silent Auction (2nd annual)

Tagawa Gardens provides a 12" tall, paper-mache cat statue to qualifying non-profit. One of our talented volunteers, Barb Brower will decorate two statues as imaginatively as possible! Both statues will be on display at Tagawa Gardens from Saturday, Sat., Oct. 6 through Sun., Oct. 28 at 3 PM. During this time you will be able to bid on these wonderful statues. Barb did a wonderful job last year. All bids must be received by 3 PM, Sunday October 28, 2007. All winning bids go directly to Chihuahua & Small Dog Rescue, Inc. to help pay for medical expenses for our little ones. Please go to Tagawa Gardens and bid on your favorite Cat with Gratitude. Tell your friends and family too. Happy Bidding! Our little ones need your help. Tagawa Gardens is located at 7711 S. Parker Road, Centennial, CO 80016

## CSDR Receives Award from Just Dog Breeds

[www.justdogbreeds.com](http://www.justdogbreeds.com)

The Just Dog Breeds "Dog Rescue Award" is awarded exclusively to breed rescue groups as recognition for their hard work and kindness towards dogs.



Each year we make a donation to a handful of the rescue groups who have won the award. (We'd love to donate to every group - but obviously we cannot afford to).

The criteria for winning this award is as follows:  
A rescuer of an AKC registered breed. Ensures the dog is spayed or neutered before placing the dog.  
Places the dog with compatible owners.

Congratulations on winning the award - and thank you for giving those dogs a second chance!