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GPRRA Thanksgiving Match Update 11/14/2017

Dear Great Pyrenees Friends,

We have come a long way toward our \$75,000 goal but still have a long way to go. It is crucial that we get as much participation as possible no matter the individual amount contributed. We have less than 10 days until Thanksgiving. Please make your donation by then so we can take full advantage of this generous match. Today's story is about the incredible journey of McKinley/Milton. Click [here](#) to donate. Thank you.

McKinley's Story

In late June, GPRRA was made aware of a horrific hoarding case in the Florida panhandle involving over 80 Pyrs. GPRRA brought four of these PYRS into our rescue: Malia, McKinley, Memphis, and Misha. McKinley went to his foster home the night he came to Atlanta. Having no socialization of any kind, he would not walk on a leash, had to be transported in a crate, and would not make eye contact with anyone. At his foster home, he would hide in his crate if anyone entered his room. He would only venture outside if he thought he was alone. He also would not eat in anyone's presence. Human contact was unknown and frightening. One morning, McKinley saw an opportunity to escape this unfamiliar environment which was so terrifying to him, and he scaled the fence at his foster's home and took off into the hundreds of acres of forest, farm land, and subdivisions that surrounded his foster's home. Fortunately, the community he escaped into was Milton and his new home became the three subdivisions of Triple Crown, White Columns and Richmond Glen.

Upon his escape, GPRRA's Heather immediately coordinated a massive search for frightened McKinley and came up with a master plan to capture him. Food stations were created, special game cameras were purchased and set up to track his movements and a custom built trap was strategically created in the area he returned to eat every day. A team of people posted flyers all over the city of Milton, showing McKinley's picture and asking people not to chase him but to contact GPRRA with sightings. The community of Milton was phenomenal as GPRRA continually received calls on McKinley sightings throughout the days and nights until his capture. Over this period, we put food out for him every evening while we slowly built the enclosure in the area to where he returned to eat. Finally, after more than two weeks of planning and careful execution, a team of four people waited in silence for McKinley to come for his nightly meal. And while he was eating, we quickly pulled the rope to close the door to the enclosure and McKinley was finally back home in GPRRA's care.

To honor the enormous support GPRRA received from the community of Milton, McKinley's name was changed to Milton. Milton has now been through intense training and socialization with our star trainer, Scot, and now after several months, greets people, walks well on a leash, eats in the presence of humans and will actually take treats from people's hands. He is an absolute delight, is a truly kind

and gentle giant and is now ready for adoption.



Milton being captured

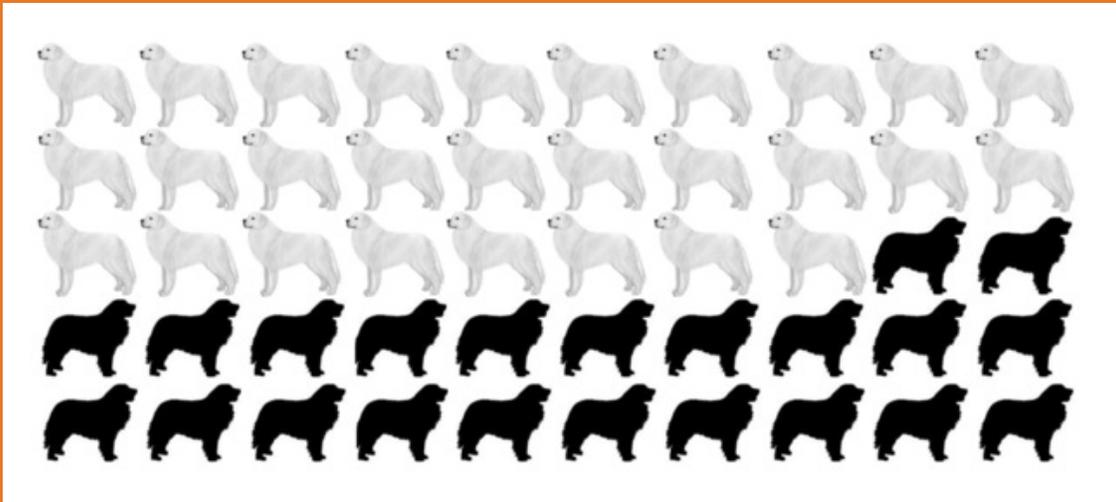


Milton Today

Progress toward \$75,000 Goal

Each turned white PYR represents \$1,500 collected (\$750 raised and \$750 matched). We have raised enough to save 28 PYRS so far. Please help us raise enough to save our goal of 50 PYRS.

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**PYRS AND VOLUNTEERS WANTED
to march in the annual
CHOA Christmas Parade
Saturday December 2nd**

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