



# The Pyrenees Post...

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## *GPRA Update 4/22/2020 - Coronavirus*

Dear Great Pyrenees Friends,

This is the first time in 10+ years we have more applicants than available Gentle Giants. In our coronavirus world today, GPRA is considered essential for a reason. We are carefully adhering to the state's guidelines and are rescuing and adopting out PYRS at record numbers. We have been creative with virtual home tours for new applicants, outside meet and greets and always at a safe distance. We believe the spike in adopt applications is a result of families desiring a PYR while at home for a duration due to the virus.

Our selfless group is working overtime, particularly our adoption, foster and medical teams. We have taken in some extreme cases and have adopted to outstanding families. Heart worm positive Marissa and puppy son Nolan, who were found with mange in a ditch, are healed and adopted together by a fabulous family. Rufus is almost recovered from his ACL surgery and we have a lineup of prospective adopters waiting for his release. We are planning to bring in Dorian from north Georgia who was mauled and showed up at a house with infected puncture wounds and one ear barely attached. And of course we have the adorable 4 month old Kimber, our first PYR puppy with a club foot, who will lead a normal happy life.

Adding to our excitement (and stress), we have taken in three female PYRS, from different parts of Ga., that turned out to be pregnant - SURPRISE!!! Literally within hours, we had incredible families that stepped up to take the mothers and will be birthing the puppies over the next week or two.

We spend an average of \$1,400 on medical for every PYR we rescue and we are rescuing at double our normal rate as we are well past 100 already this year. This is a financial drain but we saved for a "rainy day" and this is a "rainy day". Thanks to our Thanksgiving Match last year, we are in good shape but we will continue to watch our "nickels and dimes" as this may last for a while and we will do all in our power to not let anyone down, on both the rescue and adoption ends.

I cannot thank our passionate and dedicated volunteers enough as they support our GPRA family and their own family. They are truly

inspirational.

Stay healthy.

Thank you,  
John  
GPRA President and Founder



Kimber

**SAVE THE NEW DATE**

**Gentle Giants in the Park 2020**  
Sunday, October 4, 2020  
Pickneyville Park, Gwinnett County  
More information to come



**2020 Calendar - Now only \$5**

These special anniversary calendars are now available and include 10 years of GPRA alumni pictures.

Place your order **HERE** or stop by an upcoming adoption day.

**Upcoming Adoption Days**

*To be scheduled once Coronavirus threat subsides*

*Saturday 11 - 1*

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