## GPRA Thanksgiving Match October 15, 2024

Dear Great Pyrenees Friends,

We are approaching 3,000 rescues since we started GPRA almost 15 years ago and Katori is but one stellar example of the resiliency of this magnificent breed we so affectionately call "Gentle Giants". Many of you have experienced or at least witnessed the journey that many of our PYRS have taken. Thanks to your involvement financially or with your time, we have rescued PYRS that have been emaciated, broken boned often requiring amputation, have had ACL and CCL tears needing surgeries and even PYRS that have been shot. Basically if the dog is a Great Pyrenees, we rescue them and those in the worst condition are often stunning after being nurtured by their forever families. We are spending approximately \$2,200 per dog to rescue, as many are heart worm positive and some need very expensive surgeries or other veterinary treatments like Rudy Irish, Meeko, Elda, Perrin, Marble, Sunshine, Toby Marshall and many more. This significantly increases the demand for our limited dollars. Many of these medically challenging dogs are costing \$5,000 to \$10,000 each.

As we are experiencing record medical costs, for the first time we have had to dip into our reserves to cover these expenses. We continue to get more requests to rescue PYRS this year than any year in our history and unfortunately are having to turn many away. Due to these higher costs and lower adoptions, our anonymous donor is increasing their donation by \$10,000 to \$60,000. Our anonymous donor will match the first \$60,000 raised. In other words, any donations between now and Thanksgiving, whether \$5 or \$5,000, will be 100% matched up to a total of \$60,000.

GPRA is a 501c3 non profit so all donations are tax deductible. None of our volunteers are paid and virtually all donations go toward the medical care of our GIANTS. <u>Please click here to donate</u> or send your check to 4651 Woodstock Road, Suite 208-185, Woodstock, GA 30075. With your help and the generosity of our anonymous donor we can achieve our **goal of at least \$120,000** which will cover the cost of rescuing approximately 55 PYRS. Please play a role in making this happen.

Thank you all for your continued support of GPRA.

John, GPRA President and Founder

#### **CLICK HERE TO DONATE TO OUR THANKSGIVING MATCH CAMPAIGN**





Katori when he first came to GPRA.



# 2025 Calendars Coming Soon

Watch your emails, the new 2025 GPRA calendars will be available soon and are filled with lots of great PYR pictures.

### Pictures with Santa

Sign up to get you and your pups picture with Santa
Sunday December 1, 2024 2:00 to 4:00
\$25 donation
Click **HERE** for more information and to sign up





#### PARADE

GPRA will be participating in the Sandy Springs Sparkle Parade.

Sunday December 8, 2024 at 6:00pm Click <u>HERE</u> for more information and to sign up

#### **Volunteers Needed**

- Fosters we desperately need more foster families
- Transporters for intake and vet appointments
- Walkers for our PYRS in boarding in Alpharetta
- Newsletter Publisher 2-4 hours per month (Constant Contact experience preferred)
- Microchip coordinator 1-2 hours per week

If you are interested in volunteering for these or any other positions please contact us at volunteer@greatpyratlanta.com

<u>Upcoming Adoption Day</u> Saturday December 7th 11:00-1:00

## See our website for more information

#### Great Pyrenees Rescue of Atlanta 404.829.2609

GPRA Website - Available Dogs - Volunteer - Foster a Dog - Donate







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