



## News Release

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### **Foundations Recognize 2nd Chance 4 Pets with End of Year Grants**

LOS GATOS, Calif. (January 4, 2015) – The Thornton S. Glide, Jr. and Katrina D. Glide Foundation, DaVita HealthCare Partners Inc, and the On Shore Foundation have been long-time supporters of important causes that impact our communities. 2nd Chance 4 Pets recently received grants from all three foundations. These grants will support the organization’s important work in raising awareness and educating pet owners about lifetime care planning for their pets.

Since 2005, The Thornton S. Glide, Jr. and Katrina D. Glide Foundation has provided financial support to 2nd Chance 4 Pets. A recent grant awarded will support the 2nd Chance 4 Pets’ Veterinary Outreach Program. The Program has successfully provided essential resources to thousands of veterinarians throughout the U.S. for the past ten years. 2nd Chance 4 Pets is one of the very few animal welfare organizations that have been invited to participate in, and lead presentations at more than 50 veterinarian conferences nationwide. Participation at the conferences has resulted in the distribution of more than 500,000 copies of 2nd Chance 4 Pets brochures in vet clinics. Veterinarians provide the materials directly to responsible pet owner clients to ensure that the pet owners have planned for the possibility that their pets might outlive them. Another benefit of the Program is that long-term pet care planning is becoming a regular topic of discussion during pet wellness visits.

The On Shore Foundation has issued three substantial grants to 2nd Chance 4 Pets over the past several years. The recently received grant will support the printing and distribution of 2nd Chance 4 Pets’ resources to organizations across the country that provide the materials to elderly, homebound pet owners. Nonprofit partners receiving the materials include the national Meals on Wheels organization, Council on Aging (Sonoma California), Pets Forever (Colorado State University) and Cornerstone Hospice (Northern Florida).

### **About 2nd Chance 4 Pets**

The mission of 2nd Chance 4 Pets is to reduce the number of pets unnecessarily surrendered to animal shelters each year due to the death or incapacity of the human companions who care for them. A 501(c)(3) non-profit, all-volunteer organization, 2nd Chance 4 Pets works nationwide to provide pet owners with comprehensive information and lifetime care solutions for their pets. Please visit <http://www.2ndchance4pets.org> for more information.

### **About The Thornton S. Glide, Jr. and Katrina D. Glide Foundation**

The Thornton S. Glide, Jr. and Katrina D. Glide Foundation is a perpetual California charitable trust created in 1995. Its purpose is to provide benefits for qualified organizations committed to animal protection, other land and wildlife conservancy groups, agricultural purposes, preservation of land in its natural state, and opera, symphony, and other similar civic organizations. In addition to providing grants to qualified organizations the Foundation conducts its own charitable rescue operations involving last chance, neglected and abused animals. For more information, please visit [www.glidefoundation.org](http://www.glidefoundation.org).

### **About DaVita Healthcare Partners, Inc.**

DaVita HealthCare Partners Inc., is a Fortune 500® company that, through its operating divisions, provides a variety of health care services to patient populations throughout the United States and abroad. The partnership includes The DaVita Kidney Care division, a leader in providing dialysis services. As part of DaVita' global corporate responsibility vision, DaVita contributes to local and international organizations that are making a significant impact in people's lives. Through charitable contributions and volunteerism, they support nonprofit groups that are dedicated to community development. In 2013, they supported local communities by donating more than \$3.8 million. For more information, please visit <http://www.davita.com/about>.

### **About The On Shore Foundation**

On Shore Foundation has been operating since 1986 contributing to over 1,000 organizations. They provide funding to small mostly volunteer-run, hands-on non-profits which have dedicated their money, time and efforts to saving animals and the environment. They assist with basic financial needs including veterinary and shelter fees, plus boarding and training fees. Please see <http://www.onshorefoundation.org> for more information.

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