

# PARS NEWS

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**AURORA & BIRDIE**



**WILLOW** cuddled by  
**DEBORAH** her Adoptive  
Mommy



**PEEL ANIMAL RESCUE SOCIETY**

# President's Message

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## ABOUT PARS

### IN LOVING MEMORY OF ROSA

I would like to dedicate this issue of **PARS News** to my beloved ROSA, my precious dog and fur baby, who was with me for nearly 13 years. Sadly, Rosa passed away on Friday, February 20, 2026, after battling anemia.

Rosa was rescued in March 2013 by the Mississauga Humane Society, which I was managing at the time. She was among the dogs relocated from a shelter in Ottawa that had to close due to lack of funding. While awaiting rescue, the dogs were temporarily placed in a barn on vacant farmland. Rosa was one of those dogs.

When we first brought Rosa into our care, there were no foster homes available, so she was boarded at an animal hospital. But on April 1, 2013, after taking her out for a walk, I could not bear the thought of leaving her behind. I took her home that day, and she became my fur child, and my 10th dog.

For nearly 13 years, Rosa was a good girl. Though she was a larger dog, she never bothered the cats, and she always welcomed all the rescue dogs that I brought home. Rosa was the embodiment of kindness, love, and acceptance. She will forever live in my heart, and she will always be loved and blessed.

In Rosa's honor, I am committed to continuing the mission of rescuing as many dogs and cats as possible through PARS.

Lily Chan  
President

## RESCUE/ADOPTION STATISTICS

### Jan to Dec 2025



*No. of CATS Rescued: 362*  
*No. of CATS Adopted: 318*



*No. of DOGS Rescued: 83*  
*No. of DOGS Adopted: 69*

- 100% Volunteer Run Nonprofit group
- No shelter, facility, or paid staff
- Foster Home Base
- No support from the SPCA, City or Government

**foster a pet**  
**save a life**

**we provide the food**  
**you provide the love**



# RESCUE JOURNAL

## ***EIGHT IS ENOUGH***



On the night of Feb 6th, when most people were resting at home, our dedicated volunteers were working in the cold to help the homeless kitties.

PARS took in 8 cats and kittens that needed immediate placement. One of our fosters was contacted by an acquaintance who had heard about a situation where some people had to vacate their residence and needed urgent placement for 8 cats. We were asked if we could help and immediately began working on setting up a temporary quarantine area.

The cats included 4 young adults and 2 juveniles, all of which appeared to be females in good health. There were also 2 male kittens showing upper respiratory symptoms. They were seen at our partner vet within an hour of intake and were treated with antibiotics and eye drops.



## **JETTA, MARCI, WINDAGO & ZEKE** ***NEW CHAPTERS IN LIFE***

JANUARY 23 was a freezing cold day with a temperature of -16C. It may have been the coldest day of January 2026! However, our warm-hearted fosters beat the cold weather when they came to pick up their foster dogs in the morning. It marked a new chapter in life for **JETTA, MARCI, WINDAGO & ZEKE**. **They are different ages, breeds and sizes, but they** were all rescued from an overcrowded shelter where their future was uncertain. They are now SAFE and WARM!

Thank you to **ANN, EMILY, JAMILEH, and KELLY/TRISH**, their Foster Parents who opened their homes and hearts, so that these precious souls could have a second chance. These five precious souls are settling in well in their foster homes. They are now ready for adoption and are already posted on our website. In fact, MARCI was just adopted a few days ago!

[www.peelanimalrescuesociety.com/adopt-a-dog](http://www.peelanimalrescuesociety.com/adopt-a-dog)

# RESCUE JOURNAL

## ZARA Who never had a TOY

PARS received an urgent call one January morning about Zara, a 4-year-old Labrador living in a very unsafe situation. Her family was going through a separation due to an abusive relationship, and the husband had threatened to take Zara to a field and abandon her. She needed to be rescued.

Zara had also been neglected over the past year. She was suffering from a painful ear infection, hair loss, and skin issues believed to be caused by a food allergy. She was extremely underweight, and we were told she had not been fed for three days because her owner had no money to buy food.

We made an urgent appeal for a foster home, and thanks to Natalia, Zara's foster mom, we were able to bring her to safety the very next day.



Despite everything she had been through, Zara has proven to be a sweet and gentle, and good-natured girl.

We arranged a thorough veterinary exam for Zara. She was prescribed ear drops to treat her infection, and a skin scraping was done. She is now on a special prescription diet to help with her allergies.

Zara is finally feeling the love and care she deserves and is settling in wonderfully in her foster home, where she now lives happily with another dog. She will be ready for adoption very soon. A new chapter has truly begun in Zara's life.

## TOYOTA & WILLIAM

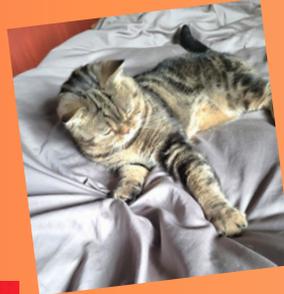
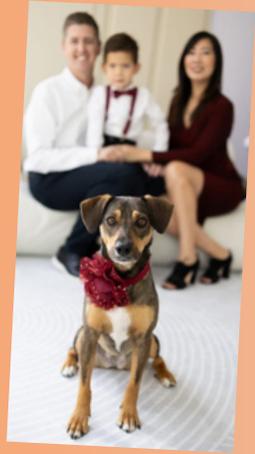
TOYOTA & WILLIAM are a beautiful pair of sibling kitties who have been together since they were kittens. They are now 2.5 years old. Unfortunately, their owner had to move abroad and could no longer keep them, so she reached out to PARS for help. We were happy to take them in just before Christmas!

WILLIAM is the handsome, confident brother, while TOYOTA is his lean, chatty sidekick. Both cats are friendly, sweet, and affectionate with people, and they love being petted. They're active and playful, always exploring their surroundings, and once you sit down, they'll happily come over and settle right onto your lap for some cozy bonding time!

William and Yota are well-behaved, litter-trained, and good with children. While they are siblings, they are not extremely bonded, meaning they can be adopted separately or together. They are now posted for adoption:

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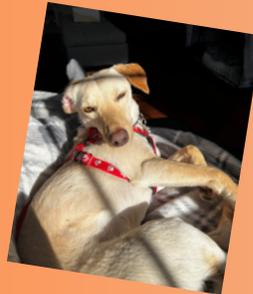




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HOME  
sweet HOME

**"WE HAVE BEEN ADOPTED!"**





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# NEWS & EVENTS

## THANK YOU

### PET VALU OUR PARTNERS



We would like to extend our heartfelt thanks to our valued work partners –the 7 Pet Valu stores located in Mississauga, Oakville, and Brampton. These stores have kindly allowed PARS to use their store space for **Cat Adoption Enclosures**



Because of these adoption locations, PARS has been able to successfully adopt out many cats and kittens. In fact, The Pet Stores also set up **Donation Bins**, enabling customers to donate pet supplies to PARS.



Our **Pet Valu** partners have also helped raise funds for PARS throughout the year. Through Pet Valu's annual "**Champion for Change**" Program.

The following Pet Valu stores raised a total of close to \$6,000 in 2025 in support of PARS.

- MISSISSAUGA**  
Pet Valu Mavis/Dundas,  
Pet Valu Clarkson,  
Pet Valu Rockwood Mall
- BRAMPTON**  
Pet Valu, 410/7

## BIRTHDAY GIFTS FOR PARS The story of CELESTE & VICTORIA



You never truly know what a difference one little kitty can make in a little girl's life!

**CELESTE** is the human sister of Paisley (aka **Victoria**), who was adopted by her family last September. Since Paisley's arrival, Celeste has developed a deep interest in animal rescue.

Her parents were incredibly proud and completely blown away when Celeste shared what she wanted to do for her birthday. And she followed through.

On her 11th birthday, Celeste asked friends and family to donate cat food and cash to PARS instead of giving her birthday gifts. The response was amazing. She collected a total of \$372 in cash, along with lots of Cat food and treats! **THANK YOU, CELESTE!**



## Going HOME!

We've had a wonderful season of Kitten Adoptions! Throughout the months of November to Feb PARS hosted several Kitten Adoption Events on weekends at our various PET VALU adoption locations. Over 30 cats/kitten found adoptive homes.

Thank you to all the adopters who opened their homes and hearts to these deserving animals. Thank you to our dedicated foster parents of these kittens.

A Huge THANK YOU to our Amazing Partners The List of Pet Valu locations is shown on Page 8.



# NEWS & EVENTS

I pledge to be kind.



## PICTURE WITH SANTA



We had our annual and biggest fundraiser: **PICTURE WITH SANTA**

in Nov and Dec 2025. They were held on 4 dates at the west location of SHERIDAN NURSERIES.

It was very successful, and we had excellent turnouts!

Thank you, Sheridan Nurseries. We also extend our gratitude to the amazing volunteers—our Santas, photographers, and administrators—who helped make the events special. And, of course, a big thank you to all the participants and their wonderful pets for being a part of it!



## 2025 ONLINE AUCTION



BIDDING TOTAL \$3,109



We would like to thank those who participated in our 2025 **ONLINE AUCTION Fundraiser**, as well as Donors for the Auction items.

With more than 200 items available, we were thrilled to see so many enthusiastic bidders take part. We were able to raise a TOTAL of \$3,109!

## GI ♥ ING TUESDY

GIVING TUESDAY is a Global Day of Generosity that began in 2012, encouraging people everywhere to give back and support causes that matter.

In 2025, GIVING TUESDAY fell on Tuesday, December 2nd. We would like to thank the Donors who contributed to Giving Tuesday on this date. The total we received was \$1,875. This amount, together with the matching donation of \$1,000 generously provided by two anonymous donors, brings the total to \$2,875.



## 8 CAT ADOPTION LOCATIONS



### MISSISSAUGA

- Pet Valu - 3077 Mavis Rd (Dundas St) 905-306-0909
- Pet Valu - 195 Lakeshore Rd (Hurontario St) 905-274-8874
- Pet Valu - 4141 Dixie Rd (Rockwood Mall) 905-896-0238
- Pet Valu - 980 Southdown Rd 905-855-8262
- Pet Valu - 440 Burnhamthorpe Rd W (MCity) 905-803-8400
- Dundas East Animal Hospital - 966 Dundas St E (Tomken)

### OAKVILLE

- Pet Valu, 1923 Ironoak Way 905-338-9898

### BRAMPTON

- Pet Valu - 150 West Drive (Hwy 410) 905-458-0915



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