

**“Keeping pets and their people together” since 2008**

## “Willa” - Now Serving Those Who Served

The Willis Cruse House in Helena is a transitional home for our military veterans. The house provides a supportive environment where veterans can stay as long as needed, then move on to live on their own in Helena or elsewhere.

Recently, the House’s beloved dog named “Cruse” passed away. Over the years, this beloved dog went on walks, fishing or camping trips, or just hung out with residents to watch football games.

Pad for Paws has forged a wonderful relationship with the veterans at the Cruse House and was honored to assist them in locating a new four-legged companion.

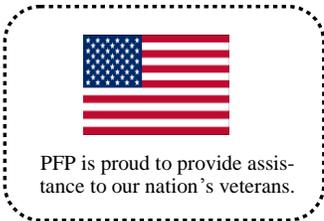
Pad for Paws reached out to Pintler Pets in Anaconda for assistance. The Director there personally chose a puppy with the best temperament for a new home at the Cruse House.

“Willa” the puppy was chosen because of her



Willa

calm personality and willingness to meet new people. Willa has brought numerous smiles and happiness to the veterans at the Cruse House, and will for many years to come.



PFP is proud to provide assistance to our nation’s veterans.

## Scout, A Miraculous Kitten

Pad for Paws (PFP) often assists other animal shelters when special cases arise when pets are in danger or injured. Such was the case in June, when Helena’s local cat rescue organization, Wild About Cats founder called about a small grey kitten that survived a tragic experience.

Scout and his two siblings were tossed out of a moving vehicle on Highway 12. A good Samaritan found the three kittens. Unfortunately, two perished but Scout survived. The Samaritan contacted Wild About Cats since the kitten was injured and appeared to have been abused.

With the assistance of Pad for Paws, Scout was able to receive the veterinary care he needed to heal from a broken pelvis and cigarette burns to his back. He has now found his forever home.



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## Fall 2018

Total Pounds of Pet Food Provided to Those in Need Since 2008:  
748,092

Pounds Distributed in 2017: 96,145

Pounds Distributed January-October 2018: 65,255



## Dry Cat Food Desperately Needed

Drop off boxes at the entrances of Petco and Albertsons (N. Montana Ave.)

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**UPCOMING EVENTS**  
See our website for up-to-date information



## Thank You.....

Many thanks to the Windbag Saloon for supporting PFP through their Community Night on October 15th. The raffle of a wine basket and sapphire ring, as well as the Windbag's donation of a portion of the evening's sales are much appreciated. We could not flourish and grow without our wonderful Helena community support.

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## Operation Rolo

Rolo arrived in Montana with other dogs coming from a high-kill shelter out of state. When a father and his son picked up Rolo, he was filthy dirty, smelled awful and had a look of defeat. They had to stop to give Rolo a bath before driving him to Helena.

Once in Helena, Pad for Paws was contacted for medical assistance because Rolo had been diagnosed with a broken femur, torn ACL, ear infection, numerous bites on his face, and was badly in need of some quality dog food. No wonder Rolo had a look of defeat.

Rolo



Pad for Paws partnered with the adopting family to help defray the costs of both surgeries and give poor little Rolo a second chance in his young life. The broken femur has been repaired and soon the torn ACL will be fixed. All Rolo's other medical issues have been addressed as well, and veterinary care has taken place.

Recently the family brought Rolo for a visit to Pad for Paws and we were thrilled to see how well this sweet family pet is healing. There will be a happy ending once all the medical issues have been successfully addressed. The family is deeply grateful and we even got a "wet dog kiss" from Rolo!

## A Dog's Last Will and Testament

Before humans die, they write their last will and testament, give their home and all they have to those they leave behind. If, with my paws, I could do the same, this is what I'd ask...

To a poor and lonely stray I'd give my happy home; my bowl and cozy bed, soft pillow and all my toys; the lap which I loved so much; the hand that stroked my fur; and the sweet voice that spoke my name.

I'd will to the sad, scared shelter dog the place I had in my human's loving heart, of which there seemed no bounds.

So, when I die, please do not say, "I will never have a pet again, for the loss and pain is more than I can stand."

Instead, go find an unloved dog, one whose life has held no joy or hope, and give my place to him. This is the only thing I can give... The love I left behind. *Author Unknown*



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## MEMORIALS

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### In Memorials to Friends or Family Members -

Gail, Christina and Kory Brown for Bob Lubick

Marcia Wall for her beloved son Cleve and for Dick Morgan

Gail and Dave Barney for Dick Morgan and his beloved dog Charlie

HHS Class of 1960 for Lauren McCluskey (Granddaughter of alumnus John McCluskey)

Kathleen Goodman for Becky Goodman

Gary Spaulding for Joseph Olheiser

Karen Screnar for Frank Davis

### In Memorials to Beloved Pets -

Janet Sperry for her dog Ben

Wayne Carriere for Moose Pistoria

Bob and Cheryl Pesta for Moose Pistoria

Marcia McMullan for Artie the cat

Dianne Nickman for Moose Pistoria

### In Memorials for Their Loss - Karen Screnar for Deb and Dan Trudahl

The Pad for Paws Foundation distributes pet food to hungry dogs and cats. We assist low-income residents, including veterans, seniors, mentally or physically challenged, and those with service and therapy dogs, in the Helena area who are struggling to feed their pets. We also assist with emergency veterinary care to ease pet suffering. The Foundation is 100% volunteer with no paid employees. We are an IRS tax-exempt charity.