



One in a Million!

Meet our longest running volunteer, Taryn Johnson! Taryn has been with us since we founded German Shepherd Safe Haven in 2010. She has been with us through the years, helping to care for the foster dogs, from walking the dogs to pet sitting at Tom's house and ensuring everything is taken care of. Taryn has also taken many wonderful photos of the dogs, helping with many dog photo shoots over the years in addition to taking great photos of the dogs, people and volunteers at many of our Showcase Events. Taryn has also been a huge help with the Family Picnic every year. She's been in front of the camera as well, modeling GS Safe Haven merchandise for sale. Taryn is also very hands on at our events, handling dogs, transporting dogs and equipment and promoting our rescue to everyone that visits our booth. She has experience doing pretty much everything within our organization and is never afraid to tackle any task asked of her. Her dedication to the dogs has been amazing and she truly is a model volunteer, the kind that we strive to find! Thank you, Taryn, for your service! You are one in a million and we really appreciate you and are so very fortunate to have you on our team!

Help Us Grow Our Network

We are always looking for passionate, committed people to be a part of our volunteer and foster networks. If you can't volunteer or foster, how about tapping into your network of friends, family and colleagues and spreading the word about German Shepherd Safe Haven? You might just help us find great potential volunteers or foster homes! You know our organization and can promote us with confidence knowing that we will always put our dogs first and do right by the dogs. We need compassionate, reliable, trustworthy people who really want to help the dogs. If you personally know someone who fits that description and is looking for a way to get involved and make a difference, let us know! And in return, we will be the organization your friend, family member or colleague will be proud to be a part of. So spread the word! If you need flyers or business cards to hand out, let us know and we will get those to you right away!



Donate Today!

Help us continue our mission by using the enclosed envelope to send in your donation! All donations go directly to the support of rescuing and caring for our wonderful German Shepherds. Thank you for your generosity!

Mama Jami



Remember Jami? It seems she has become our forgotten girl after she had her puppies, Drake and Easton. We are all scratching our heads wondering why she hasn't found her forever home yet. Although we've had several meet and greets with potential families for her, we just haven't found the right fit. Jami is such a wonderful dog and is a favorite among our volunteers. She is in love with playing ball and could do it for hours on end. She is also a sweet girl and likes attention, though on her terms! She's independent and doesn't mind time to herself as well. Everyone including Jami likes some "me" time! Jami goes with the flow and is easy to have around though she does have her dramatic moments in the form of a high pitched bark with smaller dogs.

That's just to let them know she's there. She is house trained, crate trained and sleeps by the bed, on a dog bed, in her foster home. Jami is really great in the house and doesn't tear things up when left uncrated. We would love to find her forever home or even a foster home that will love her as much as we do until we can find the perfect forever family for her. She would probably do best in a home where she is the only dog or in a home with another mellow dog. If you're interested in Jami, contact Tom at tom@gssafehaven.org or fill out an adoption or foster application on our website.

Summer Safety Tips

As we approach the summer months, there are things we all should keep in mind when it comes to our precious canine companions.

- 🐾 Dogs don't sweat like people do so dogs typically cool themselves down by panting. When it's hot, it's harder for dogs to keep cool because they are breathing warm air. Always be aware of signs of heatstroke which include excessive panting, drooling, labored breathing, lethargic behavior and trouble walking or balancing.
- 🐾 Did you know that the layers of dogs' coats protect them from overheating and sunburn? So please don't shave your dog as a means to keep him/her cool!
- 🐾 Be aware of the temperature of the ground when you take your dog on a walk. A dog's paws can easily burn so check the temperature of the walking surface by touching it with the back of your hand.
- 🐾 While we are probably all aware of this, this bears repeating. NEVER leave your dog in the car when it is warm out. Even with the windows partially down, the inside temperature of a car is much warmer than the outside temperature so even if it's just mildly warm outside, the temperature inside can climb quickly to dangerous levels. Keep your pups safe by keeping them at home.



Rest in Peace

Carson was one of the first dogs we rescued back in 2011 from the West Valley shelter. He was such a goof ball but a gentle giant, with everyone. He had some health problems and developed pneumonia. While he was treated for it, he was just not strong enough to recover from it. His mom, Kym, held him as he passed away at home. Bless Kym for giving Carson the best home ever and for being such a caring, loving mom to him. Our thoughts and prayers go out to Kym as she recovers from losing her best friend.