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OUR MISSION

WOUNDED PAW PROJECT® IS A 501(C)(3) THAT FOCUSES ON THE PREVENTION OF ANIMAL ABUSE AND THE REHABILITATION OF ABUSED AND RESCUED DOGS.

Welcome to The Paw®, Wounded Paw Project's® monthly newsletter that keeps you up to date on how you and Wounded Paw Project® are making a difference for abused and rescued dogs. Each month, you'll get tips that you can use for your own pet and since Wounded Paw Project® was founded by a Purple Heart recipient, we'll also provide veterans with information they may not know.

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SERVING SIDE BY SIDE: HONORING VETERANS AND THEIR CANINE COMPANIONS

Each November, we honor the brave men and women who have served our nation — and we also recognize the loyal dogs who stood beside them. These four-legged heroes have protected troops, located the wounded, and offered comfort in moments of fear. Their courage and devotion remind us that loyalty and service transcend words and species.



From historic battlefields to modern missions, military working dogs have played vital roles in saving lives and supporting soldiers. When their service ends, many need time to decompress and heal — just like their human counterparts. Programs that pair veterans with retired working

dogs or rescued companions, like those inspired by the Wagployment™ initiative, create powerful bonds that help both find renewed purpose and peace.

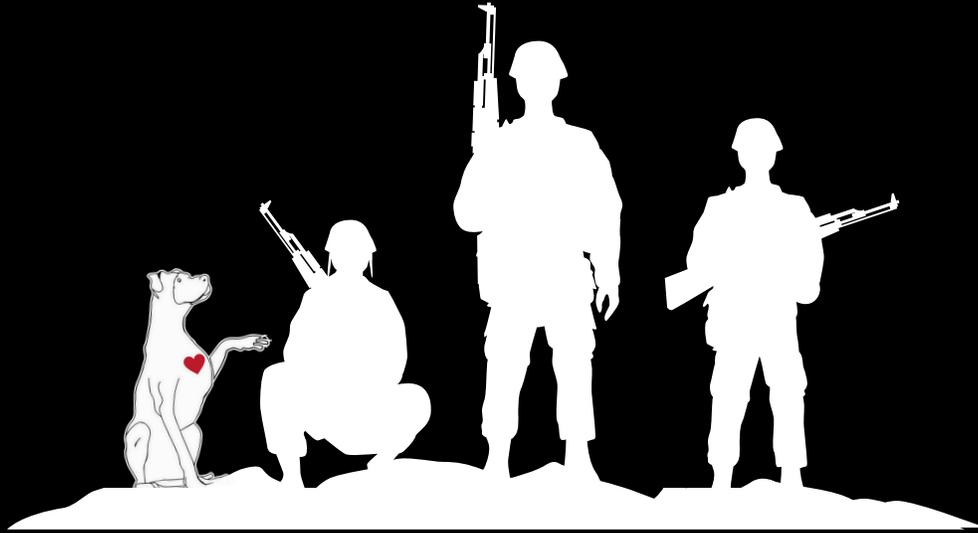
The connection between veterans and dogs is one built on trust, shared experience, and unconditional love. A veteran who adopts or trains a dog is not just giving that animal a home — they're sharing healing in its truest form. Together, they rediscover calm, confidence, and the joy of companionship.



As we celebrate Veterans Day, let's honor every hero — those with two legs and those with four. Their service and sacrifice continue to inspire hope, compassion, and gratitude, reminding us that healing often begins with a simple act of kindness and a loyal paw by our side.

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VETERANS DAY

NOVEMBER 11, 2025



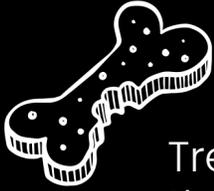
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TURKEY & SWEET POTATO MEATBALLS

Treat your pup to something deliciously simple with these Turkey & Sweet Potato Meatballs — a protein-packed recipe that's as nourishing as it is tasty. Made with real ingredients and no fillers, they're perfect for rewarding good behavior or adding a little wholesome flavor to your dog's day.

Ingredients:

- 1 cup lean ground turkey (fully cooked, unseasoned)
- ½ cup mashed sweet potato
- ½ cup rolled oats
- 1 egg

Instructions:

1. Preheat oven to 350°F (175°C) and line a baking sheet with parchment paper.
2. Mix all ingredients in a bowl until combined.
3. Roll into bite-sized balls and place on the baking sheet.
4. Bake for 20–25 minutes until firm and lightly browned. Cool before serving.

Storage: Refrigerate up to 5 days or freeze for later.

Paw Tip: Serve a few as a special Thanksgiving dinner add-on for your dog — no seasoning needed!



MEET SADIE THE MO'PITTIE...THE MORKIE WHO THINKS SHE'S A PITBULL. EACH MONTH, SADIE WILL GIVE YOU TIPS TO HELP YOU HAVE A SAFE AND HEALTHY PET.

THIS MONTH, SADIE WANTS TO REMIND YOU THAT FALL TEMPS DROP FAST! SHORT-HAIRED OR SENIOR DOGS MAY NEED A COZY SWEATER OR JACKET FOR THOSE CRISP MORNING BREAKS.

**DID
YOU
KNOW?**



NOVEMBER IS ADOPT A SENIOR PET MONTH! THIS MONTH IS DEDICATED TO ENCOURAGING THE ADOPTION OF OLDER DOGS FROM SHELTERS. WE WANT TO RAISE AWARENESS THAT SENIOR PETS ARE WONDERFUL COMPANIONS WHO ARE OFTEN OVERLOOKED IN FAVOR OF YOUNGER ANIMALS, ADOPTING A SENIOR PET MEANS WELCOMING A CALM, LOVING COMPANION WHO'S ALREADY TRAINED, GRATEFUL, AND READY TO FILL YOUR HOME WITH QUIET DEVOTION.



WISE WHISKERS AND GENTLE PAWS: The Beauty of Senior Pet Adoption

When it comes to adoption, puppies and kittens often steal the spotlight — but senior pets have just as much love to give. November's Adopt a Senior Pet Month reminds us that older dogs and cats are waiting patiently in shelters, hoping for someone to see past their gray muzzles and gentle eyes. Many end up there through no fault of their own, often after their owners experience life changes or hardships.



Adopting a senior pet comes with special rewards. These seasoned companions are typically house-trained, well-mannered, and content with a cozy nap by your side. Their personalities are fully formed, making it easy to find a perfect match. Best of all, they give an unmatched kind of love — one built on gratitude, calm, and trust earned through experience.

Open your heart to a senior pet! You'll give them the greatest gift: comfort and belonging in their golden years. In return, you'll gain a loyal friend who knows the value of a second chance.



BLACKLIGHT K9

What's hidden in the dark ends here

MISSION

Blacklight K9™ is a tactical initiative of Wounded Paw Project® designed to disrupt dog fighting networks and expose the hidden criminal activities that often accompany them—including human trafficking, drug trafficking, and illegal firearms trade.

The initiative draws its name from the investigative tool of a blacklight—a device that reveals what's hidden to the naked eye. Just as a blacklight exposes concealed evidence, Blacklight K9™ reveals the underground systems that thrive on violence, exploitation, and silence.

CORE ACTIVITIES

Spot & Expose – Uncover dog fighting through tips, evidence, and intel.

Rescue & Protect – Remove dogs from danger and get them safe.

Heal & Train – Rebuild trust and prepare survivors for new lives.

Educate & Prevent – Inspire communities to report and protect.

COMMUNITY IMPACT

End Cruelty – Stop dog fighting and protect vulnerable animals.

Safer Streets – Remove crime tied to dog fighting operations.

Stronger Allies – Build powerful bonds with law enforcement.

Aware & Active – Inspire communities to speak up and act.

See it? Report it.



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A Counter Dog Fighting Initiative By Wounded Paw Project®

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Looking for**



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Report animal abuse

Adopt / Foster a shelter dog

Volunteer at Wounded Paw Project® or your local animal shelter

Sign our advocacy petition

Help someone who needs help with a pet

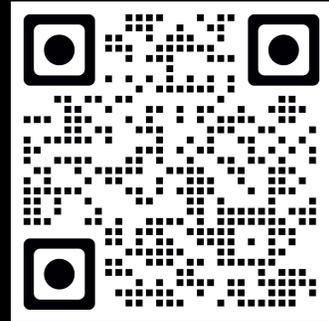
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Each month The Paw provides valuable information to our Nation's veterans on services and opportunities that may not be common knowledge to Vets.

VETERANS DAY DISCOUNTS

Across the country, businesses are showing gratitude to those

who've served by offering special Veterans Day discounts and freebies. From free meals at restaurants like Applebee's, Texas Roadhouse, and Cracker Barrel to retail savings at major stores such as Target, Kohl's, and Lowe's, veterans and active-duty service members can enjoy well-earned perks throughout the holiday weekend. Many national parks, museums, and attractions are also waiving admission fees for veterans on November 11, making it a great opportunity to spend the day enjoying the outdoors or family time. Veterans should bring proof of service — such as a military ID, VA card, or state ID with veteran designation — and check with local locations for participation details. It's one simple way the nation says thank you to those who've given so much.

COMMONLY USED VA PHONE NUMBERS

VA MAIN INFORMATION LINE
1-800-698-2411

VA BENEFITS HOTLINE
1-800-827-1000

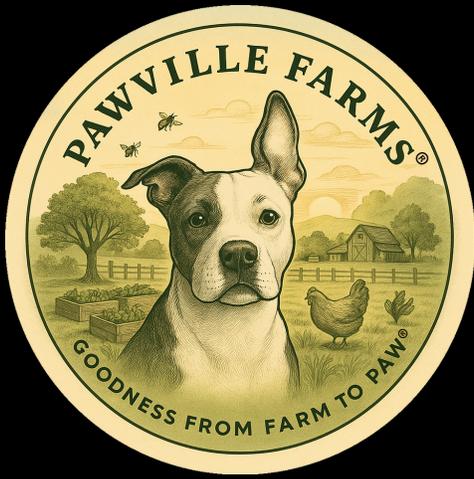
VA HEALTH BENEFITS HOTLINE
1-877-222-8387

WOMEN VETERANS HOTLINE
1-855-829-6636

CAREGIVER SUPPORT LINE
1-855-260-3274

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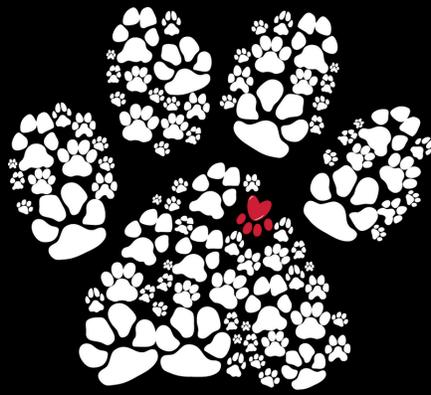


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