



Each day we will share one of the 12 most heartwarming animal rescues of 2011. Each happy ending is made possible through your generosity!

## 12. Pearl



Pearl is a sweet, shy older gal who, for reasons unknown, was found wandering the streets. No one ever came to look for her at the shelter.

Pearl looked a mess; her skin was red and inflamed over much of her body, the result of a painful skin infection, and she was very overweight. It must have hurt to move so Pearl spent a lot of time lying down; from her bed, she would look up at you with sad, soulful eyes.

Further tests in our clinic revealed an underlying thyroid condition and a heart murmur. It took several weeks of veterinary care but the transformation was amazing. As the medications took effect, Pearl's skin improved. She began to return to a more normal weight, and hair began to grow back. You could see that she was feeling much better, too.



At last, Pearl was released from the care of the NHS veterinary team and made available for adoption. She would require daily medication for the rest of her life to manage her thyroid condition and we kept a look out for just the right family. While we knew it might take a while, experience told us that there are kind people who find it most rewarding to adopt special needs pets like Pearl.

Kathy and Stan had adopted other senior pets from NHS and when they heard Pearl's story, decided to open their hearts and home to her.



This week we received photos of Pearl and an update:

"Pearlie has shown us what patience, love, and praise will accomplish in a vulnerable being. Each day, we see more improvement. Her coat has almost finished growing back and she now likes to play and enjoys Georgia and Bear who were adopted earlier from NHS. Thank you for all the wonderful care she initially received, allowing her to have a wonderful, new life. We adore her!"

Hearing how well Pearl is doing and how much she is loved really made our day here at the shelter! I hope it makes your day, too, as you helped make Pearl's new life possible through your generous donations.



Thank you so much for making all these lifesaving successes possible for the animals. We cannot do it with you.

Warmest, best wishes for the holidays from all of us at Nevada Humane Society!

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