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Adoptions by Appointment have begun at Rancho Coastal Humane Society
We hit the ground running...on all four paws.

Encinitas, CA – **The first two pets went home with their new families today when your Rancho Coastal Humane Society in Encinitas began its “Adoptions by Appointment” program. The adoptions were conducted at the shelter while observing social distancing and pet safety.**

The first pet adopted was “Aidan,” a 4-1/2 year old, 15 pound, male, Chihuahua mix. He left the shelter to begin his new life as a member of the Goldstein family in Carlsbad. Aidan, now named “Alfie,” joins a 10 year old, female Chihuahua mix named Winnie. Proud new dog mom Leslie Goldstein says “Winnie is the boss.”

The second “Adoption by Appointment” was between Ale Ricardez of National City and “Baytovin,” a 3-1/2 year old, 25 pound, male, Chihuahua / Rat Terrier mix. Ms. Rocardez has no plans to change Baytovin’s name. Baytovin had spent the last six weeks in a private home with a Rancho Coastal Humane Society Foster Care volunteer.

- Adoptions by Appointment will continue every day but Tuesday.
- RCHS is accepting applications by **email ONLY**.
- Send your completed survey to **Adoptions@sdpets.org**.
- **Reference “Dog Adoption,” “Cat Adoption” or “Rabbit Adoption.”**
- **You will receive a “Survey Received” confirmation email.**

If you have already submitted a Survey, send an email to Adoptions@sdpets.org indicating that you are still interested. Include your full name and approximate date of submission. You will receive an email within 48 hours indicating that your Survey has been forwarded to an Adoption Counselor or that you need to resubmit a Survey.

If the initial telephone interview suggests a “good fit,” an appointment to meet your desired pet will be made. **Adoptions are on a first-come, first-served basis.**

Some pets may be adopted by fosters, who have priority. If you do not see a pet on the website, check the Recent Adoptions.

Adoption Surveys are kept on file for six (6) months.

If this isn’t a good time for you to adopt, please become a “Virtual Foster” by sponsoring pets online at

<https://rhumanesociety.org/foster-pet-parents-we-need-you-especially-the-virtual-kind/>

