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## **You CAN Teach an Older Dog (or Cat) New Tricks! November is Adopt a Senior Pet Month**

**Encinitas, CA – Senior cats and dogs are frequently passed by in animal shelters in favor of kittens and puppies. Your Rancho Coastal Humane Society in Encinitas is encouraging families to take time to meet all the pets available for adoption during Adopt a Senior Pet Month.**

While some experts agree that a cats and dogs become seniors at age 6, it can vary depending on the breed, size, and the lifestyle of the individual pet.

There are lots of advantages to adopting a senior pet:

- You know what you're getting.
- Training is usually easier.
- Seniors pets are super loving, and it's an honor to deserve their love.
- Unlike kittens or puppies, it's not a 24-7 job to adopt a senior pet.
- Senior pets usually settle into their new homes more quickly.
- Fewer messes.
- You're still making a lifetime commitment when you adopt a senior pet, but that pet's lies probably isn't going to be as long as a kitten or puppy.
- You can match a senior with your activity level.
- When you adopt a senior pet...you're a hero!
- Every day with a senior pet brings you a new blessing.

At Rancho Coastal Humane Society adoption fees for senior dogs and cats (seven or more) are only \$75. Lots of people prefer to adopt more mature dogs and cats. They settle right in and seem to understand that they've just been saved.

A longtime RCHS supporter says, "It's an honor to earn the love of an older dog or cat." We couldn't agree more.

When you decide to bring a new pet into your home and your heart, please consider adopting a gently used, recycled, senior pet. They have so much to give.

For more information about pet adoption call 760-753-6413 or log on to [www.sdpets.or](http://www.sdpets.or). Better yet, come meet them face to furry face at 389 Requeza Street in Encinitas. Look into their soulful eyes and ask, "Do you want to come home with me?"