

# Story Time with ARPO!

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OTIS - is a very sweet Akita/Chow mix left to roam the streets at a young age. He was on his own for so long that by the time ARPO was able to capture him, his collar had literally grown into his neck. Extensive surgery has repaired his wounds and he is ready for his forever home. Your support made this happy ending possible.

CARMEN - is a little Chihuahua that was hit by a car and required hip surgery and extended recuperation in one of our foster homes. Carmen is now living the high life in her forever home. Your support enabled ARPO to provide the care she needed.

ZOOEY & ZINNY - are beautiful black and white kittens whose mommy died when they were just a week old. They had to be hand fed and are now awaiting their turn for a loving home. Their lives were saved because of your support.

DELTA - is a Husky/Shepherd mix who was VERY pregnant when she was dumped at a local shelter. We took her into foster care and provided a safe place for her to deliver her seven puppies. The puppies have now been placed in forever homes of their own and Delta awaits her turn at a happy life. Your support contributed to the care of this at-risk family.

KARCY - is a stray Lab/Chow mix found running in a pack. Two of the pack were in such poor condition they had to be euthanized. Karcy was a soon-to-be mommy and also heartworm positive. She delivered 10 puppies (who will soon be searching for their new homes) and is now undergoing heartworm treatment. Your support ensured Karcy will never again contribute to our horrendous pet overpopulation and provided her life-saving heartworm treatment.

GOLDIE - is a Retriever mix adopted from ARPO a few years ago. She was left unsupervised on several occasions and liked to visit the neighbors. She's once again looking for a responsible, permanent home. Her heartworm preventative was neglected, and yes, you can guess...she's now having to undergo treatment. Your support has saved yet another heartworm victim.

SHIRLEY ANN - is a Spaniel mix dumped at Animal Care and Control. Once again, the same story of an irresponsible owner letting their pet get pregnant, and then dumping them! To top that off, we AGAIN have another heartworm positive girl. Your support has saved this girl's life!

OLIVE - is a Rottweiler mix found running the streets with a telephone cord tying her to her puppy! She had several medical issues from being neglected, and can you believe it? We again find ourselves treating ANOTHER heartworm positive canine. Your generous support enabled us to give Olive and her puppy the proper care they deserve.

We're not trying to overwhelm you with these stories, but want you to see how much good your generous donations can do! We could not have saved all these animals without you. Unfortunately, we could go on and on...and on. With your help, we have saved nearly 1,500 lives since we began in 1998, and have adopted over 230 animals so far this year, putting us 25% ahead of our adoptions at this time last year! All this through a dedicated, all volunteer network of foster homes. Our reputation has grown as well, and we are continually challenged to take in more animals. We have recently expanded our adoption events to include Pet Supplies Plus in Broad Ripple, as well as maintaining our regular adoptions at the Castleton Petsmart. Please continue to refer anyone looking for a new pet to our adoption events on Saturday afternoons! Just visit our website ([www.adoptarpo.org](http://www.adoptarpo.org)) and click on the link to our available pets to see some of the cutest faces around!

Now, more than ever, we need you! If you have already contributed to ARPO's happy tails, we thank you! But the need never stops. Even a small donation can make a huge difference in a needy animal's life. **Your generous donations and membership dues are our LIFELINE**, and we sincerely thank you for your kindness and generosity as we ask for your continued financial support. Indiana's homeless animals are counting on us. Please help us help them!

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