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Our Annual Appeal Reached \$10,000!

I want to thank everyone who contributed to our Annual Appeal for your generosity. Your donations have made it possible to help our rescued Havanese receive needed medical care before finding their forever homes. Bob and Kiwi are just two of the dogs you have made it possible to help.

The Story Behind the Face of HavToHavIt



Sweet, funny Bob now has sight in one eye and is ready to bless the perfect family with his presence.

Five-month old Kiwi had his PDA (**Patent Ductus Arteriosus**) surgery which was a total success. Again, thank you one and all on behalf of all of HRI's pups.





Sally

HRI President



Bob and I fell head-over-heels when we saw Ricky's picture on the Havanese Rescue website in May 2008. We weren't looking for an addition to our family which already included two sweet Havanese, Happy and Lucky, but I knew when we saw him that he should become a member of our family and immediately filled out the adoption application.

I was so excited about the possibility of adopting Ricky that I sent his picture to family and friends as if he were already OURS! Soon I received a call from Pam, Ricky's foster mom, and we became instant friends. Pam told me that Ricky had been in at least four homes. The last owner felt he was clingy and had separation issues - this would be the perfect dog for us, he would love our laps.

Happy and Lucky are not lap pups, and we're retired so we

Adoption Corner



Hi, I'm Toto and my foster family guesses that I'm about seven years young based on my fine physique and sweet attitude. I am actively looking for a new family to love and snuggle me.

It's hard to stay still and cross my paws in anticipation when I'm excited but I can, and will be patient for the perfect family. I know you're out there!

When my foster family took me in, I had a skin infection and infections in both ears. I was shaved down, and oh, I felt so much better afterward! I took antibiotics for a couple of weeks and I'm fine now. Since I have allergies, I eat special holistic organic dog foods. I now weigh in at a svelte 15 lbs. and 10 oz.

My foster brother and I run around in the house chasing each other, and I have taught my foster brother to jump up on the couch - my foster mom said she wishes I would potty train him, because he's not as perfect at it as me. I'm also told how smart I am because I learned quickly to sit and stay.

Almost forgot to tell you some of my other favorite things to do! Chasing my foster cats, it's so much fun to see them run - they just run away and do not hiss at me, they're really nice kitties. I also love it when my foster dad lies down to watch golf on TV. I like to jump up and snuggle close to him. I love getting lots of pets, hugs and I LOVE treats.

have plenty of time to make Ricky feel safe, secure and loved in his forever home.

In a few short weeks, which felt like forever, our adoption became a reality.

When Ricky first came home with us I cuddled him gently. He has been at my side or on my lap ever since. Meeting his new brothers went smoothly and they all appeared to get along quite well.

In the beginning, Ricky worried when I would leave the house and would bark and whine, but he soon realized it was fun being with Bob, Happy and Lucky. He finally decided that I always came back to him.

It has been almost four years now since Ricky has been ours. He is the sweetest and most loving dog with the biggest brown eyes and long eyelashes ever.

Ricky graduated from Basic Manners and Obedience class with flying colors. With his skill as a lap dog we knew he would be a terrific therapy dog.

He is now an official Therapy Dog under the Therapy Dog International program.

I don't like taking baths, getting my ears cleaned or nails cut, but honestly, what dog likes that stuff? ! I am getting better about suffering through it though.

I am a very sweet little dog who wants to be good and wants someone to love me, and I will love you forever in return.

Attention H2HI Fans!!!

Grab your wish list and stop by [HavToHavIt](#) to check out all the must-have items! The newly relocated store is open! The store was recently closed to move it to its new location in Florida. Holly Ashley, our newest Storekeeper, has joined the winning team of Stacy Roussos and Suzy McQuown.

Be sure to allow plenty of time to browse to your heart's content. If you are in a hurry to order those two or three must-have items, you'll be happy to see lots of new categories to make it easier to shop! Be sure to visit each and every one of them.

Havanese Rescue is very lucky to have one of the best - no, make that THE BEST store you will find for all things Havie. If you are ever stuck on what to get that dog-loving friend or family member, you are sure to find the perfect gift for any occasion.

THANK YOU to our volunteers who have made this possible -- without them H2HI would not exist. We would like to thank Stacy Roussos for having the inspiration, the foresight and the ability to create the concept and then turn it into a first-class store, and Suzy McQuown who is the creative force behind the store. A big round of applause for two fantastic volunteers.

Gin-Gin

Gin-Gin, a happy, healthy, busy-busy-busy little gold sable Irish Pied Havanese puppy entered the welcoming arms of Havanese Rescue's [Foster-to-Adopt](#) program in the summer of 2011. He was a spur-of-the moment pet store purchase by a young working woman who realized at the end of two weeks that she'd made a huge mistake. Her

The residents of our local nursing home and long-term care facility look forward to his visits every week.

A big hug and loads of licks to everyone at HRI that made it possible for Ricky to be our pup forever and a shout out to the foster parents Pam and John Wagner who took such good care of him.

You can see a short slide-show of Ricky [here](#).

HavToHavIt



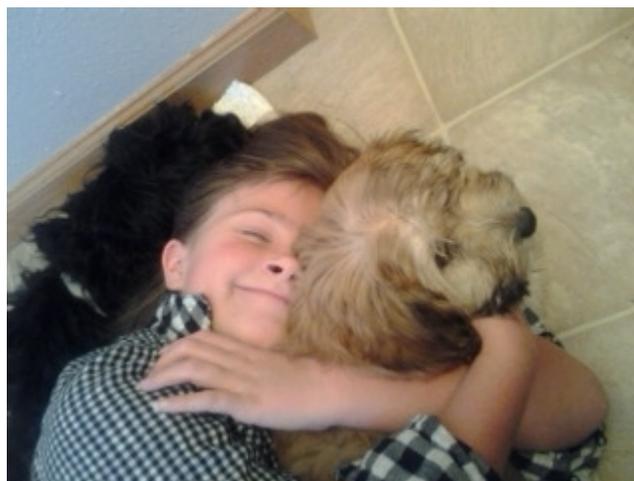
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twelve-week-old puppy was barking non-stop while she was at work nine hours a day so she contacted HRI to pick him up asap.



Gin-Gin just turned 6 months old, has been neutered and is now an official part of his Foster-to-Adopt family who have wonderful things to say about him ...

"With love, reassurance and consistency, Little Gin has become a loving part of our happy family, and makes his doggie-brother, Oreo, especially happy! We couldn't be more proud of Gin-Gin's progress and his ability to overcome his beginnings while adjusting to his new life. He has blossomed into a whirling fluff-ball that has a true zest for life.



There is another very important reason we have benefited from rescuing Little Gin; our daughter has a neurological disorder, although outwardly you would never know that it causes her anxiety and sensory problems. One of her issues is difficulty being comfortable alone in a room.

Since we got Little Gin-Gin the overall energy of the house has increased. We've noticed that she has been able to go more easily from room to room in the house by herself as she feels "less alone" now.

In fact, we all feel less alone because we all have a special gift in

start of the 50th anniversary of [National Poison Prevention Week](#) (courtesy of the ASPCA)

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