


This dog, though left behind, waits patiently for his guardians to return. This handsome one of his kind was called to the "pound and owner" but volunteers routinely check and replenish the food and water supply until the residents can return and provide for their companions.



"He is your friend, your partner, your defender, your dog. You are his life, his love, his world, and he will be yours, faithful and true, to the last hour of his heart. You owe it to him to be worthy of such devotion." - Helen Keller

JAN

Many of the storm's survivors are only weeks old and they would not have had much longer if they hadn't been rescued. Out scrambling for food, abandoned her babies, or perhaps closed windows cut was no where to be found. But these three babies are in good hands.



"God created domestic cats so that man might touch them." - Unknown

FEB

When this pup was rescued, he was dehydrated, emaciated and suffering from ringworm.




He was taken to the Best Friends Shelter in Tyler, Louisiana, Mississippi.

"Everything in life is sparking in spite of its apparent absence." - Placido Domingo Khan

MAR

Horses, along with cats, dogs, rabbits, hamsters, cows and chickens were among the animals rescued.



"An animal's eyes have the power to speak a great language." - Martin Dubs

APR


This little mouse named "Mimi" found by her rescuer.



"There are two sources of courage from the history of life - courage and love." - Albert Schweitzer

MAY

Grateful and also terrified, this sweet girl is receiving a full checkup in the field.



She is being treated for severe dehydration by a volunteer veterinarian.

"It's not the size of the dog in the fight, it's the size of the fight in the dog." - Mark Twain

JUN

These handsome young boys were temporarily being cared for by two wonderful ladies when they were rescued in New Orleans. They are brothers and they are inseparable. Initially taken to the Lamar-Dixon shelter, they have since been transported out to a more permanent shelter facility in Florida.



"If a dog will not come to you after having looked you in the face, you should go home and increase your consciousness." - Winston Wilson

JUL

This two week old kitten and her three litter mates were taken care of by volunteers at the Pasadena Safe Haven shelter in Louisiana. Rescuers were unable to rescue their spotted mother so, the kitten had to be hand fed every four hours.



"We don't do great things - only small things with great love." - Mother Theresa

AUG

"Whoever said you can't buy happiness forgot little purpleen."



Gene Hill

"There is no psychiatrist in the world like a puppy licking your face."



Ben Williams, American Editor & Journalist (1877)



SEP


This frightened kitten peeks over the shoulder of a volunteer.



"The cat has too much spirit to have no heart." - Ernest Hemingway

OCT

This Bull Terrier mix puppy named Shanti by her rescuer survived hurricane Katrina's hurricane Rita and Dorian. She is the only pup from her litter of five to make it.



After several foster homes and a discrimination battle over her breed, Shanti has finally found a new guardian, a new home, and a Golden retriever friend, in New Mexico.

"I think dogs are the most amazing creatures. They give unconditional love. For me they are the role model for being alive." - Heidi Kieber

NOV

"My little dog - a heartbeat of my feet." - Edith Wharton



On behalf of all of the animals of Katrina, Animal Rescue New Orleans thanks you for your support.

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