Disfigured Cat Seeks New Family

Burlingame, CA— The Peninsula Humane Society & SPCA (PHS/SPCA) is seeking potential adopters for a two year old female cat who suffered disfigurement on her ears due to a severe case of mange. The cat, named Rogue is available for adoption at PHS/SPCA’s shelter in Burlingame.

“Rogue was brought to our shelter as a stray in January 2018 with the most severe case of mange our veterinary team had ever seen,” said PHS/SPCA’s Communications Manager Buffy Martin Tarbox. “Even though we were able to successfully treat and heal Rogue, she did suffer disfigurement on her ears and hair loss on her head due the bad case of mange. Her hair has mostly grown back, but it’s grown back a pure white giving her a unique look.”

Mange, also known as feline scabies, is caused by the mite Notoedres cati. These microscopic mites attach themselves to an animal’s skin and burrow beneath the skin causing intense itching and irritation. With proper treatment, the mites can be eradicated as was the case with Rogue.

“The extent of disfigurement means Rogue was probably suffering for a long time with mange,” according to Tarbox. “But despite this, she is an exceptionally sweet two year old cat who wants a home where she can be an indoor only cat and have lots of love and attention.”

Rogue had no identification or microchip. No one came forward to claim Rogue and she was placed for adoption at PHS/SPCA’s Tom and Annette Lantos Center for Compassion in Burlingame earlier this week.

Rogues’ adoption fee is $80. She is spayed, microchipped and vaccinated. Rogue was treated through PHS/SPCA’s donor funded Hope Program, which provides animals like Rogue a second chance by treating medical and behavior issues. On average, the Hope Program saves the lives of more than 150 animals a month.

People interested in meeting Rogue can visit the PHS/SPCA shelter at 1450 Rollins Road, Burlingame or call at 650-340-7022. The shelter is open for adoptions 11 a.m. to 7 p.m. Monday through Friday, and 11 a.m. to 6 p.m. on weekends. Potential adopters should arrive at least an hour before closing time to complete an adoption.

PHS/SPCA is an open door shelter that accepts all animals regardless of age, health or even species.

Photos attached of Rogue are courtesy of PHS/SPCA.
About The Peninsula Humane Society & SPCA

The Peninsula Humane Society & SPCA (PHS/SPCA) is a local, private, non-profit charitable organization dedicated to animal welfare. Among our major programs, PHS/SPCA adopts fully 100% of the healthy dogs and cats in our care and also, through our charitably funded Hope Program, makes well and finds homes for thousands of animals who come to us sick, injured, or too young to survive without supportive care. PHS/SPCA is truly an open admission shelter, not only accepting many pet animals who might be refused at other shelters, but also taking care of injured and orphaned native wildlife from San Francisco through San Mateo and the northern half of Santa Clara County. Our work means 6,300 lives saved each year. Please visit www.phs-spca.org to learn about all our programs and services, ways to help our animals and special events.