

New Rattitude, Inc.

National Rat Terrier Rescue and Adoption

2022 ANNUAL REPORT



Piccolo (TN)
Adopted November 2022

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Join Us!



Coco Chanel (MD), Adopted December 2022

Mission

NEW RATTITUDE, Inc., a non-profit charitable corporation incorporated in 2008, is a 100% volunteer-operated, nationwide group dedicated to the rescue and adoption of abused, abandoned, neglected, sick, or unwanted Rat Terriers and Rat Terrier mixes.

In private foster homes, the dogs are nurtured, socialized, trained, supported medically, and provided with professional veterinary care while we work diligently to find them new and permanent adoptive homes where they will be safe, loved, and properly and humanely cared for the rest of their lives.

Each dog brought into our network receives a veterinary check, all required vaccinations, heartworm test and monthly preventative, and spay or neuter. Other medical care is sometimes necessary, such as treatment for heartworm disease, infection, gastrointestinal worms, allergies, broken bones, or surgery to correct a variety of ailments. Each dog is wormed, microchipped, and given a martingale collar, along with a collar tag printed with a unique ID number and our toll-free Lost Dog Hotline.



**Blue Flame (GA),
Adopted October 2022**

New Rattitude is licensed by the Georgia Department of Agriculture, registered with the Georgia Secretary of State as a charitable organization, and recognized by the Internal Revenue Service as an approved 501(c)3 non-profit organization.

2022 BOARD OF DIRECTORS



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From the President

In preparation for writing this letter, I decided to scroll through the entirety of our 2022 New Rattitude Facebook postings, which now has me smiling broadly as I type. Every single posted photo of a rescued dog reminds me of the reason this amazing rescue was founded and why we are all inspired to work together in all seasons. Seeing the love and relief in the eyes of these happily saved and placed Rat Terriers brings to mind the countless hours of work that our volunteers put in, from the networking of dogs in need, to applicant screening, transport work, and the millions of administrative tasks that keep the wheels running smoothly on this rescue machine—ALL of the amazing behind-the-scenes work that is crucial for the success of our rescue mission. Thank you to each and every piece and part of New Rattitude for the work you have done over this past year.

As the world has emerged into this new paradigm of social spatial awareness (being aware and respectful of the needs of those around us) it reminds me of the many dogs we have rescued with particular behavioral or training needs. Some of our ratties come in from rough situations and need the gentle re-education and trust building which comes through basic respect and clear communication. Kudos to those hands-on volunteers—the shelter pullers, the transporters, the temp fosters, and the foster parents who are so patient with these pups, helping them learn the tools to a better life with humans.

New Rattitude is fortunate enough to have a designated training budget for our volunteers and foster dogs—I would love to see us all, as a rescue, take more advantage of this opportunity for growth and learning in the coming year!

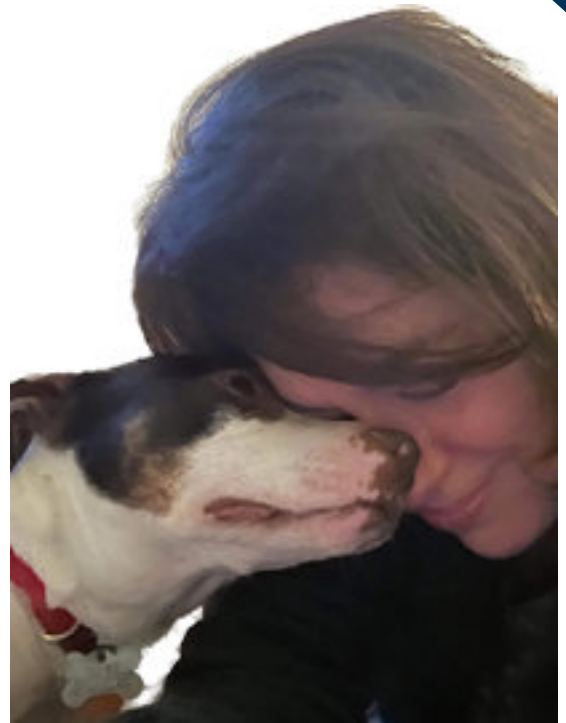
2022 saw the return to April for our annual Rat Terrier Jamboree. The weather was delightful and the turnout was great! It was wonderful to see so many new faces as well as those familiar and loved from many years of attendance. Thanks to our amazing donors and supporters, we had a record year for our Holiday Donation Drive and donations overall in 2022. Donations, which made up 62% of New Rattitude's annual revenue, totaled more than \$53,800 for the year, and fundraising added another 18%. These are critical funds for us as our adoption fees only contributed 20% of revenues. If not for our amazing, generous donors and supporters we could never do all we do for the ratties in our care.

But though it was a positive fiscal year, 2022 was fairly static for New Rattitude as far as growing our volunteer team. We did have some new volunteers join the rescue, but to ensure a healthy success for years to come, we need more. For 2023 I would like to challenge each and every one reading this letter, whether you are an active member or perhaps just reading from the wings, to consider a way you would be willing to help New Rattitude grow forward in success. Keeping a rescue like ours healthy and well-staffed takes a lot of momentum and relies on the love and energy of our membership. You are needed. New volunteers are needed. Foster homes are needed. Non-fostering volunteers are needed—willing hands who can organize, type in data and help with administrative work. So many roles are available and need support so that we can continue to love and save as many rat terriers as possible each year in a healthy, successful and balanced way. Please, please, please make 2023 the year you decide to jump in and give the gift of your time and energy to New Rattitude and our beloved Rat Terriers.

Respectfully submitted,



Bethany Adams
President



2022 Accomplishments

Our labor of love begins and ends with the heart and soul of New Rattitude—our volunteers.

New Rattitude is a national organization, completely run by volunteers. Our network of foster homes is supported by a “staff” of other members who manage a variety of necessary tasks, including administration, application screening, fundraising, transportation coordination, publicity, technology, and so on.

Outside of New Rattitude’s membership, we have another amazing support network of volunteers who help us drive dogs from shelters to foster homes, between foster homes, or from foster homes to adoptive homes, or assist with home visits to ensure our foster Rat Terriers are placed in safe and suitable environments.

We are also grateful for those who support New Rattitude by contributing generously, participating in our fundraisers, and by spreading the word to let other dog lovers around the country know about New Rattitude and our efforts!

Our volunteers are not paid, but they are priceless. We couldn’t carry out our mission without them.

So, what did we collectively accomplish in 2022 through this network of dedicated volunteers and supporters?



- 81 Rat Terriers were rescued.
- 85 Rat Terriers were placed into loving adoptive homes.
- Cumulative rescues and adoptions since New Rattitude’s 2008 incorporation total 2,608 and 2,653 respectively!
- 13 new volunteers were approved for membership.
- 594 adoption applications were processed—an average of 49.5 per month.
- New Rattitude’s Transport Team coordinated 30 transports, carrying 42 dogs. Most of the transports were by ground, but two were completely by air and another transport was a combination of ground transport and air transport.
- We paid for 134 vaccinations, 47 heartworm tests, 42 spays and neuters, 12 other surgical procedures, 6 dental cleanings and extractions, 7 heartworm treatments, and numerous x-rays, blood panels, and other diagnostic and laboratory tests.
- We sponsored the 17th annual Rat Terrier Jamboree in Sweetwater, TN in late April (see related story on page 12).

These achievements and more were made possible by all of you! Thank you for believing in our mission and for trusting in New Rattitude to carry it out.

Pepper (TX)
Adopted Dec. 2022

We Are New Rattitude!

In 2022, 41 individuals in 18 states opened their hearts and their homes to a lost or abandoned Rat Terrier whose only ticket out of the shelter was rescue. Safe in their foster homes, these dogs were nurtured and loved, and taught the basic skills that every good dog needs to know. They learned to trust; their self-confidence grew; and when they were healed and ready, carefully selected homes were found where these precious reclaimed souls would be cherished "forever."

Bethany Adams (MI)	Denise Gilroy (ID)	Wanda Pezant (LA)
Kimberly Auxier (TX)	Pat Graham (GA)	Kathy Puckett (MD)
Terri Banner (NC)	Tracy Hale (AL)	Amy Robertson (GA)
Terry Beale (TN)	Amy Heitshusen (GA)	Lisa Rohn (MD)
Heather Bell (TX)	Christina Higgins (MA)	Mindy Shapiro (NC)
Frank Bennett (VA)	Patti Jeffries (GA)	Karen Stewart (GA)
Nina Cross (PA)	Sue Kangas (MI)	Cassandra Stutesman (IL)
Laurie Dempsey (VA)	Vickie Kauffman (GA)	Samantha Twyman (SC)
Lisa DeSoto (FL)	Joyce Kuete (IL)	Aimee Walrath (NY)
Sue Diveley (VA)	Elizabeth Leet (PA)	Amber Williamson (FL)
Nicole Dossey (WA)	Karen Marfurt (MI)	Nanci Withrow (IL)
Lorie Dunn (GA)	Denise Merricks (VA)	Valerie Wong (TN)
Dan Frisbie (SC)	Molly Miller (VA)	Cassandra Zwart (VA)
Kelly Fox (WI)	Kate Moore (FL)	



Foster mom Kate Moore(FL) and Thomas, adopted August 2022

Administration and Adoption Program Support

Many hands are needed to complete the myriad of tasks necessary to keep an organization such as New Rattitude running smoothly.

In 2022, these dedicated volunteers filled one or more positions (some in addition to fostering) in various administrative roles, application screening, adopter support, problem dog assistance for foster parents and adopters, transport coordination, record keeping, marketing, correspondence, social media, fundraising, website management, and more.

Bethany Adams (MI)	Amy Farmer (WA)	Patti Jeffries (GA)	Jaime Restorff (TN)
Valerie Alloy (OH)	Jenny Ferreira (CA)	Sue Kangas (MI)	Lisa Rohn (MD)
Tami Baber (NC)	Lucia Florido (TN)	Lillie Kaplan (GA)	Dawn Schuetz (IL)
Terry Beale (TN)	Genie Folsom (WA)	Vickie Kauffman (GA)	Candace Seal (AZ)
Susan Beard (NC)	Kelly Fox (WI)	Penny Linke (SC)	Catherine Spannagel (IL)
Debbie Collins (AL)	Jena Gammon (LA)	Natalie Ma (CA)	Michele Sutherland (IL)
Candy Conrady (GA)	Elissa Germain (MI)	Kim Markham (GA)	Anggie Thompson (NC)
Cara DeFelice (AZ)	Carol Giberson (WA)	Stephanie Mathson (MI)	Beth Van Slyke (WA)
Rita Deimler (NC)	Carly Gill (GA)	Molly Miller (VA)	Emily Wackler (OH)
Laurie Dempsey (VA)	Denise Gilroy (ID)	Jessica Phillips (IN)	Jessie Wilson (OR)
Nicole Dossey (WA)	Patricia Graham (GA)	Tiffany Pinciario (MA)	
Martha Dowling (SC)	Doreen Habben (IN)	Kathy Puckett (MD)	

New Rattitude's 2022 Canine Clinic Dogs



Some of the dogs rescued by New Rattitude have severe illnesses or other serious medical issues that are much more costly than the money brought in by adoption fees. To help nurse these dogs through their medical needs so that they can eventually be healthy and adoptable, we find sponsors to help with the costs. In 2022, sponsors helped with the supplemental vetting costs for these dogs in [New Rattitude's Canine Clinic](#).

Junie B. - Fractured Leg

Junie B. was rescued from a Georgia shelter, and taken immediately to the emergency vet for a suspected broken leg. X-rays confirmed the suspicion—in fact, both of Junie's front legs were fractured. One was a small fracture that healed on its own, but the distal radial ulnar fracture in Junie's left leg required surgery. Just like the Junie B. Jones character in the children's books, New Rattitude's Junie B. handled this obstacle (surgery recovery) with spunk and tenacity! *Junie was adopted in July 2022 and resides in Tennessee.*



Tyler – Lumbar Disc Compression

Tyler was abandoned in a remote area of Louisiana and left to die. He was unable to walk when found, so it's suspected he was left because his owners would not or could not care for him. Tyler was transported to a foster home in Georgia that has extensive experience with caring for dogs with this type of injury. Upon examination and X-rays, the diagnosis was lumbar disc compression. The suggested treatment was acupuncture and laser therapy, and Tyler's mobility was improved after the first treatment! Tyler had his final acupuncture appointment in early December 2022 and completed laser treatment in January 2023. He can now walk 100% of the time and can even run! He still doesn't have good musculature in his back legs, but that is getting better, and he'll continue to redevelop those muscles. *Tyler is being fostered in Georgia and is available for adoption now to a lucky family or person!*



Latte - Fractured Leg

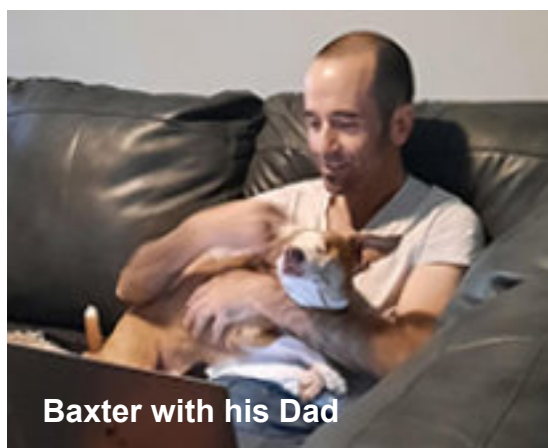
Latte was rescued from a Georgia shelter. She was limping so we knew she had a problem. X-rays showed she had fractures of both the radius and ulna bones. Surgery was scheduled immediately. So many of New Rattitude's social media followers commented about her unforgettable face, soulful eyes, and cute whiskers. She is truly so precious and deserving of the new chance at life she has been given! *Latte was adopted in October 2022 and resides in Alabama.*



Baxter - Enucleation (Eye Removal) Surgery

Baxter, a 10-year-old rattie mix, had glaucoma and was blind. After ten months of daily eye drops, the specialists recommended enucleation surgery. The surgery eliminates the risk of eye injury due to trauma as well as infection, pressure, and increased chance of getting irritants in the eye (that a seeing dog would instinctively blink to avoid). Since Baxter was already blind we knew he wouldn't miss his eyes, but would be glad to be rid of the daily drops and the discomfort he had been experiencing. As expected, our sweet Baxter bounced back quickly from surgery and resumed his normal life including daily walks, car rides, treats, lots of naps, and snuggling with his foster mom.

In May 2022, Baxter found the family his devoted foster mom had been hoping for. Their adoption application didn't mention his age or his blindness. They were focused on his sweet, engaging, happy demeanor. Baxter's dad is his new best friend, he's enjoying walks with his canine sister who thinks he's the bee's knees, he hangs with his new mom while she works from home, and his new boy is excited to have him.



Baxter with his Dad

Kylee - Broken Jaw

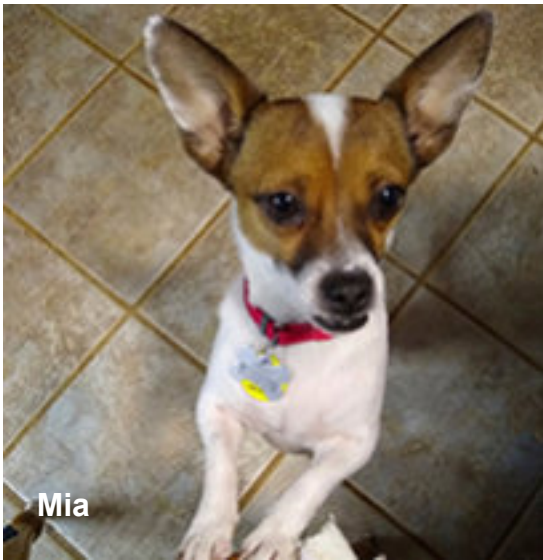
Kylee came into New Rattitude foster care in June 2022. Her bones were showing, she was crawling with fleas, she was unwanted and scared in the noisy animal shelter, AND pregnant! The evening of the day she arrived in her foster home, Kylee gave birth to five puppies! But that's not all. We learned that Kylee had a freshly broken jaw and bleeding behind her eye which indicated that she'd had head trauma.

In mid-June, Kylee had jaw surgery, which included insertion of a stabilizing wire to keep her jaw steady while it healed. Our supporters responded to our request for funds and in just a matter of days, New Rattitude's fundraising goal of \$1,750 for Kylee's surgery was met!

Kylee was adopted in September 2022 and resides in Georgia. Her new parents are smitten with her and Kylee (now named Bea) finally has the wonderful life she always deserved!



Kylee



Mia



Jenkins



Griffin



Etta



Myrtle

Mia, Jenkins, and Griffin - Heartworm Disease

When New Rattitude welcomes a heartworm positive dog into our rescue, our hearts hurt for them. We know the treatment is painful, the recovery time is slow, and during the recovery they must remain very inactive to ensure no complications occur as the dead heartworms are disintegrating.

Mia, Jenkins, and Griffin were all heartworm positive and had to go through heartworm treatment. Hershey, another rat terrier rescued along with Mia, succumbed to her heartworm disease before her treatment began. It's a shame that these sweet young dogs (all 3-4 years old) had to endure the pain of heartworm treatment when this disease is so easily avoided with monthly heartworm preventative.

Mia was adopted in May 2022 and resides in Georgia.

Jenkins was adopted in August 2022 and resides in Virginia.

Griffin was adopted in August 2022 and resides in North Carolina.

Etta – Heartworm Disease

When Etta's owner went to jail, she was put out on the streets. We're sure she had multiple litters of puppies and struggled to survive in a rough part of town. New Rattitude rescued her 4-week-old puppies first, but Etta was nowhere to be found. It took another month to find Etta and gain her trust enough to trap her. Fast forward another month and Etta became a sweet little "velcro dog" that loves to snuggle with her foster mom. We're so glad she's no longer on the streets. Not surprisingly though, Etta tested positive for heartworm disease. This disease is spread by the bites of mosquitos that carry the infective heartworm larvae. Heartworms that live inside the dog mature into adults and produce offspring. Heartworm disease causes lasting damage to the heart, lungs and arteries and can be fatal. Etta is currently finishing up a treatment protocol involving several steps to rid her body of the deadly heartworms over a period of several months, and is doing well.

Etta is being fostered in Louisiana and will be available for adoption after her heartworm treatment is completed.

Myrtle - Mammary Masses

Seven-year-old Myrtle was picked up as a stray and rescued by New Rattitude from a North Carolina shelter in April. She had surgery in July to remove mammary tumors and we celebrated when no cancer was found. In August she had a second surgery to remove the tumors in the other mammary chain. The biopsy results were not favorable after the second surgery. Myrtle had malignant tumors and they continued to grow at a rapid rate. Her health declined significantly, and she was in pain that could not be controlled with medication. Myrtle's wonderful foster mom and her vet made the agonizing decision to end her suffering.

You were the best dog, Myrtle. Thank goodness you felt love and comfort and security for the last five months of your life. You definitely deserved nothing less.

Financials



New Rattitude, Inc. 2022 Annual Financial Statement Overview of New Rattitude's income and expenses for the calendar year ending December 31, 2022

New Rattitude, Inc. is tax-exempt under section 501(c)3
of the Internal Revenue Code.

Donations are tax-deductible to the extent allowed by law.

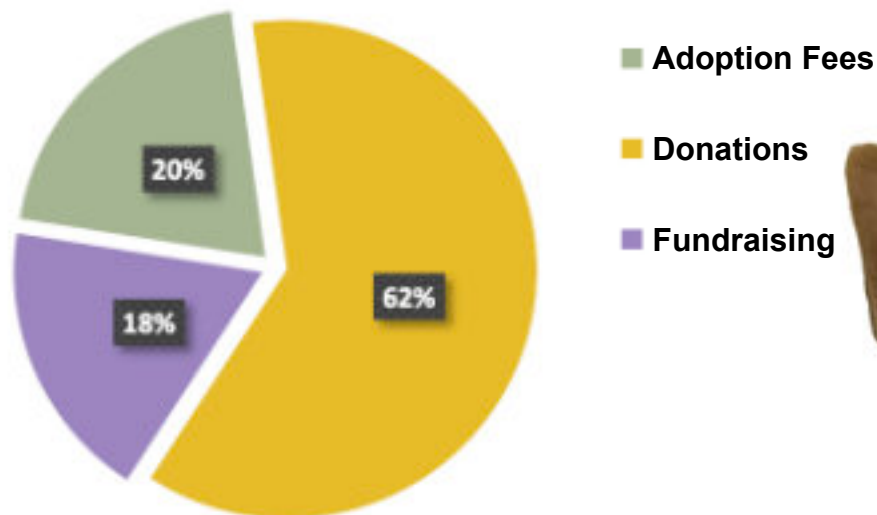
Our Form 990 submissions to the IRS can be found at

www.guidestar.org.

Beginning Balance as of January 1, 2022		\$ 177,628.53
Revenues:		
Adoption Fees		\$ 17,800.00
Donations		\$ 53,891.73
Fundraising		\$ 16,070.19
Miscellaneous		\$ 648.53
Total Revenues		\$ 88,410.45
Expenses:		
Medical Expenses	\$ 52,503.89	
Non-Medical Foster Parent Expenses	\$ 2,544.41	
Fundraising Expenses	\$ 5,435.35	
Program Expenses	\$ 1,948.97	
Liability Insurance	\$ 1,788.00	
Marketing and Promotional Expenses	\$ 120.38	
Administrative expenses	\$ 1,295.22	
PayPal fees and bank service charges	\$ 1,598.47	
Total Expenses	\$ 67,234.69	
Revenues minus Expenses		\$ 21,175.76
Ending Balance, December 31, 2022		\$ 198,804.29

Natasha (WI)
Adopted January 2022

Where Does New Rattitude Get Its Funding?

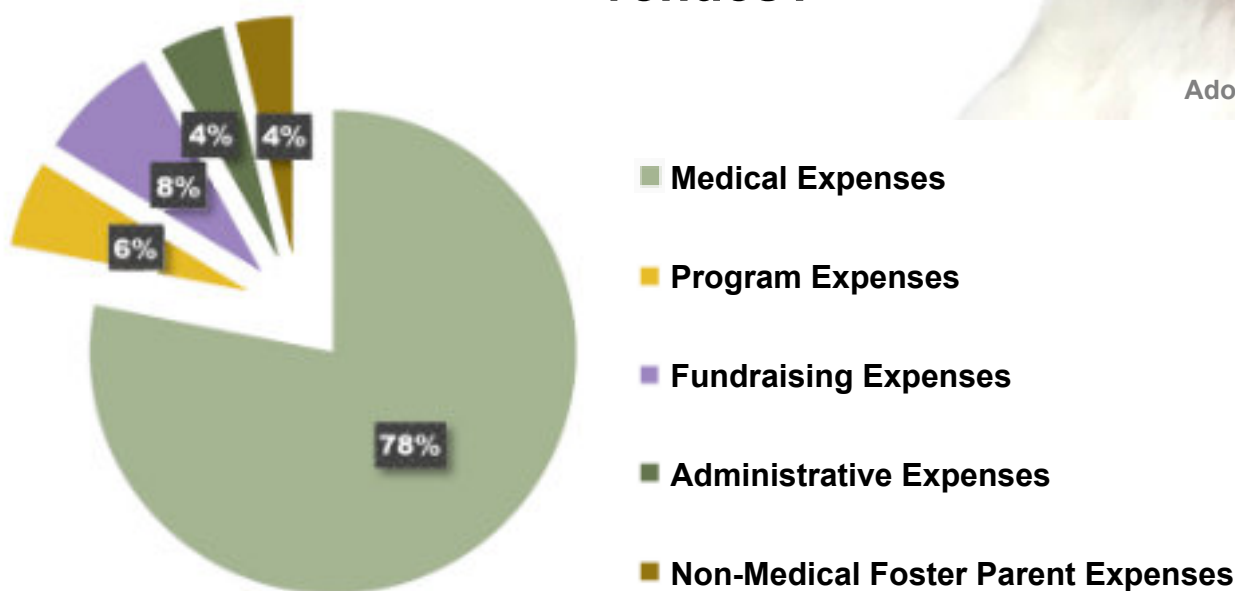


Our low adoption fees made up only one-fifth of New Rattitude's operating revenues. We are dependent on public support through charitable tax-deductible donations and fundraising.



Poppy (AL)
Adopted August 2022

How Does New Rattitude Spend Its Revenues?



Nearly 80% of New Rattitude's expenses go toward medical care for our foster dogs. Adding in the cost of dog food, dog transportation, boarding, microchips, ID tags, and collars, 82% of our spending is directly related to the rescue and care of needy Rat Terriers.

Fundraising

Eighteen percent of our 2022 revenue came from fundraising. Primary fundraisers included:

- **17th Annual Rat Terrier Jamboree**, April 2022.
- **Annual New Rattitude T-Shirt Sales**, April - December 2022.
- **Annual Calendar Photo Contest and Calendar Sales**, September - December 2022.
- **Online ReTail Shop Sales**, throughout the year.
- **Charity Donation Programs** (AmazonSmile, Kroger Rewards, ResQ Walk), throughout the year.

SAVE THE DATE! New Rattitude invites YOU and your rat terriers to join us this spring for the **2023 18th Annual Rat Terrier Jamboree, April 21-22**, in Sweetwater, Tennessee. Registration is open now. Visit our [Jamboree web page](#) to register, and watch the [New Rattitude Facebook page](#) for updates, photos, and information.



2022 Jam Photos and Front Cover by Gary Thompson

Donations

New Rattitude received **\$53,891** in donations in 2022, representing 62% of our revenues. We are grateful to the following supporters who made monetary contributions to New Rattitude from January 1 through December 31, 2022.

Faithful Friends (Gifts from \$1 to \$249)

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Lora Ament
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Kristen Asci
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Crystal Babson
Deborah Baillargeon
Jennifer Baker
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Jeter Bentley
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Shelly Bess
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Stephanie Simpson
Terri Simpson
Jane Skrovan
Susan Snow
Matt and Janet Snyder
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Ryan Spannagle
Sharanya Sridhar
Ruth Stephens
Kenneth Stevens
Beau Stinnette
Carolyn Strain
Grace Strauss
Kelli Strauss
Cassandra and Rick Stutesman
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Anthony Sute
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Felecia Taylor
Sonja Thiels
Amanda Tobin
Elisabeth Tomlin
Stu Tyler
Melissa Valentine

Raymond and
Kiyomi Vampran
Mark Van Doren and
Rachel Brewster
Katherine and Peter Varacalli
Shelly Ward
Sandra and Daniel Webster

Nanette Weeg
Kathy Wells
Kim and Bob Whitlock
Jessie Wilson
Joseph Windham
Nanci Withrow
William Wolfe

William Yanusaites
Amy Yoho
Paula Young
Ludmila Zakharova-Tyrtania
Debbie Zenan
Cassandra Zwart

Loyal Companions (Gifts from \$250 to \$499)

Erin and Andres Abreu
Amy Adler
Lennie Avera
Hannah Bachelder
Lori Bisch
Jayna Bundy
Angelique Concepcion
Mary Cussatt
Rita and Steve Deimler
Vickie Dunagan
Melanie Garmon
Christina Hooper
Patti and Jim Jeffries
Vickie Kauffman
Rachael Rose
Bruce Rylander
Monica Vallin

Blue Ribbon Buddies (Gifts from \$500 to \$999)

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Boeing Company
Bowen Keefe Fund
Luna Carlson
Jason DeVries
Ronald Egan
Jeff and Jennifer Garner
Michael Hodges
Michael Kelly
Jennifer Pietenpol and Ian Wattenmaker
Kathy Puckett
Kathryn Richter
Rahul Sangal
Candace Seal
Emily Wackler

Best of Show Award (Gifts of \$1,000 and up!)

All Pets Considered
Bank of America
Janice Caldwell
Debbie Conigliaro
Laurie Dempsey
Jim Hero
Kate Holloway
Melanie Houlihan
Kelly Martin
Walter Mathews
Joseph and Molly Miller
Allie Stone and Peter Bouyoucos

Grand Champion (Gifts of \$3,000 and up!)

Jan and Ray Pezzi

Annie Bean (MI)
Adopted November 2022



NEW RATTITUDE DOGS ADOPTED IN 2022

These former New Rattitude foster Rat Terriers have found their “furever” homes.
 CongRATulations to the new adopters and WELCOME to the
 New Rattitude family!

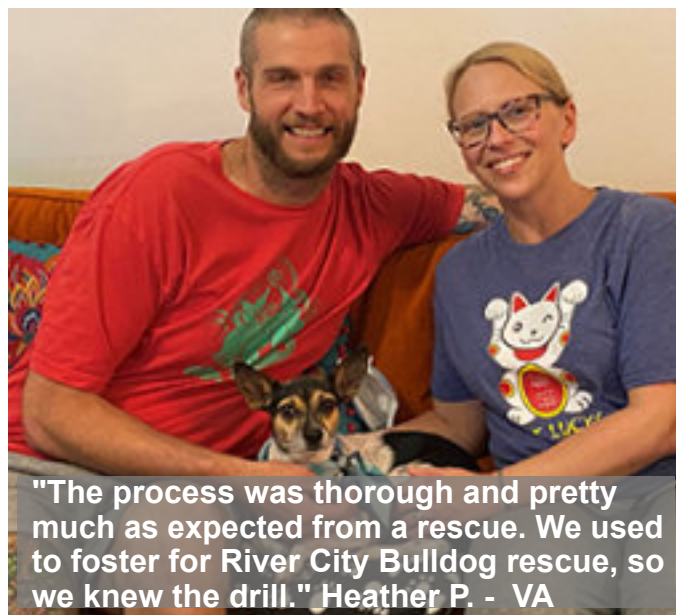
DOG	FOSTERED BY	ADOPTED BY
Agnes	Frank Bennett	Richard and Paula Warner
Annie Bean	Bethany Adams	Kristy Robinson
Bandit	Vickie Kauffman	Chad Miller and Deborah Goldberg
Baxter	Lisa DeSoto	Kelly and Adam Shirah
Blue Flame	Amy Heitshusen	Ashley Carlson and Rick Snyder
Bogie	Amy Heitshusen	Courtney and Paul Burgan
Brodie	Cassy Stutesman	Cassandra and Richard Stutesman
Calvin	Frank Bennett	Robert and Myrna Piehl
Caramel	Dan Frisbie	Jason and Pam Armas
Chai	Dan Frisbie	Anne-Marie Aycrigg
Cher	Frank Bennett	Dennis Keefe and Linda Bowen
Choco	Dan Frisbie	Donna and Larry Spitzer
Coco Chanel	Elizabeth Rohn	Brian and Mary Pascale
Cocoa	Dan Frisbie	Charlotte Matheny and Bill Hoffmann
Cricket	Cassy Stutesman	Kelly Fox
Dapples	Mindy Shapiro	Cheryl and David Glasgow
Dobbie	Amber Williamson	William Carr
Dusty	Cassandra Zwart	Matt and Renee Ferrary
Elle	Molly Miller	Katherine and Peter Varacalli
Elton John	Frank Bennett	Jessica and Brant Powell
Emerald	Frank Bennett	Hillary and Layne Mahle
Escher	Denise Merricks	Jeanne Faulconer
Fiddle	Terry Beale	Donna Fears
Finn	Kelly Fox	Kelly Fox
Gracie	Cassandra Zwart	Antoinette and Michael Piscitelli
Griffin	Laurie Dempsey	Ansley and Michael Casey
Hambone	Valerie Wong	Heidi Zazza and Frank Drago
Jaffa	Denise Merricks	Vincent Valentino
Jasmine	Cassandra Zwart	Matt and Renee Ferrary
Jenkins	Elizabeth Rohn	Mary Todd Glascock and Robert Langless
Jessi	Laurie Dempsey	John and Linda Dennison
Jimmy	Bethany Adams	Michael Flynn
John	Bethany Adams	Jessica Smykowski and Garrell Little
Jovie	Amy Heitshusen	Sharon Hermann
Junie B.	Amy Heitshusen	Paula and Stuart Hilton
Kazoo	Terry Beale	Ernest and Sharon Dykes
KiKi Dee	Frank Bennett	Kelli Summerhill and Richard Burk
Kipper	Kelly Fox	Dana and Edward Westermair
Kirby	Kelly Fox	Stephanie and Jason Noyes

DOG	FOSTERED BY	ADOPTED BY
Kirsch	Terry Beale	Amy and Carl Patton
Klipsun	ReHome Program	Deana Scipio
Klondike	Terry Beale	John Lambert
Koko	Joyce Kuete	Cathy and Arlan Hartman
Kosmo	Kelly Fox	Libby and Andy Martin
Kupcake	Amy Heitshusen	Kelia and Michael Hamilton
Kvass	Mindy Shapiro	Penny and Carl Linke
Kylee	Amy Heitshusen	Rebecca Scott and James Waddell
Lando	Cassandra Zwart	Kim and Bob Whitlock
Latte	Valerie Wong	Leona Henry
Lincoln	Molly Miller	Marion Mattioli
Maggie	Karen Stewart	Sandra and Daniel Webster
Mandolin	Terry Beale	Melanie Kozelski
Marley	Frank Bennett	Dennis Keefe and Linda Bowen
Martin	Kelly Fox	Elizabeth and Matthew Carroll
Max	Frank Bennett	Wanda and David Hartung
Mia	Patti Jeffries	Patti and Jim Jeffries
Mouse	Sue Diveley	Sue Diveley
Natasha	Kelly Fox	Holly and Jeff Trager
Newton	Bethany Adams	Darrell and Cindy Freshour
Oliver	Karen Marfurt	Carl and Karen Marfurt
Olivia	Bethany Adams	Nanette Weeg and Doug Martin
Parker	Denise Gilroy	Sam and Alecia Baretich
Pearl	Aimee Walrath	Aimee Walrath
Pepper	Heather Bell	Lindsay Spring
P'mint Patty	ReHome Program	Kathryn and Mike McShane
Piccolo	Terry Beale	Anggie and Gary Thompson
Pierre	Denise Merricks	Terry Hardy
Pippa	Elizabeth Rohn	Elizabeth Rohn
Poppy	Tracy Hale	Bonnie and Dan Donato
Prince	Frank Bennett	Mark Van Doren
Radley	Karen Marfurt	Carl and Karen Marfurt
Reba	Kim Auxier	Bradley Harbaugh and Julie Ganey
Ringo	Nanci Withrow	Nanci Withrow
Robin	Terry Beale	Lynn and Walter Patten
Rocky	Kathy Puckett	Brian Sheron and Kathy Puckett
Roux	Denise Merricks	Vernon and Roylene Whitt
Sandy	Bethany Adams	Jennifer Higgins
Thomas	Kate Moore	Judy and James Dodd
Tiffany	Kelly Fox	Diane Stoica
Tom-Tom	Terry Beale	Kate McFarland and Heiko Wiggers
Wendy	Christina Higgins	Bob and Pamela Hughes
Winston	Frank Bennett	Samantha Riley and Brandon Moser

Something to Talk About!

What Folks Are Saying About New Rattitude!

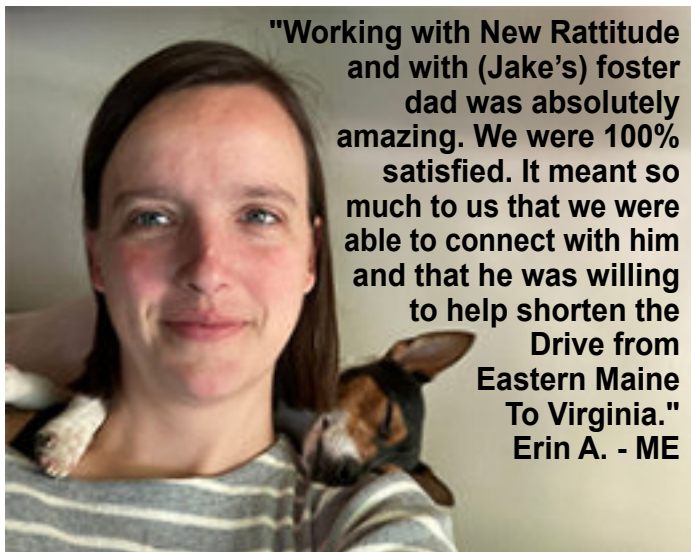
"New Rattitude was great during the adoption process and could not have been better. We are keeping an eye out for maybe a companion for (Caramel) as he loves having playmates."
Jason A. - GA



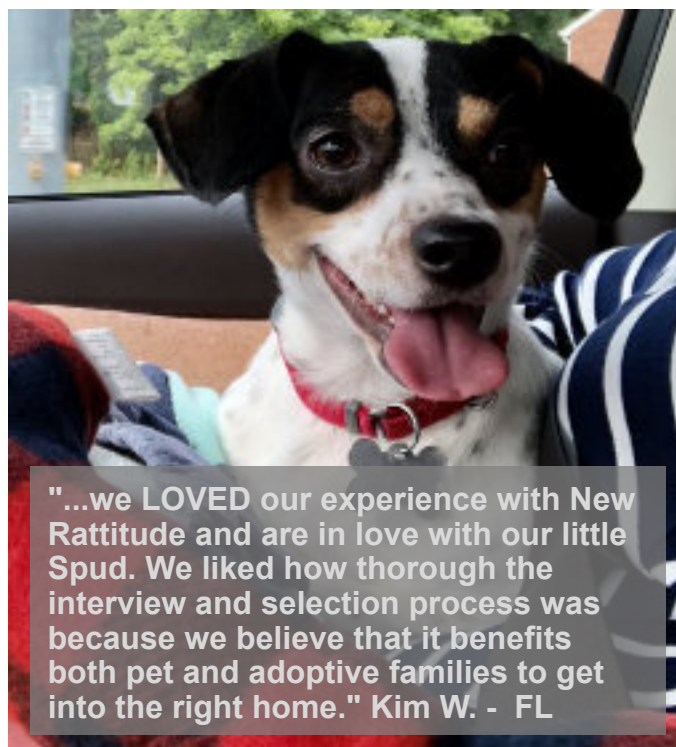
"The process was thorough and pretty much as expected from a rescue. We used to foster for River City Bulldog rescue, so we knew the drill." Heather P. - VA

"Special thanks to all at NR. You are an A+ organization and have made this process as smooth as possible. Truly doing amazing work saving the lives of our favorite breed, one pup at a time." Thomas E. - VA

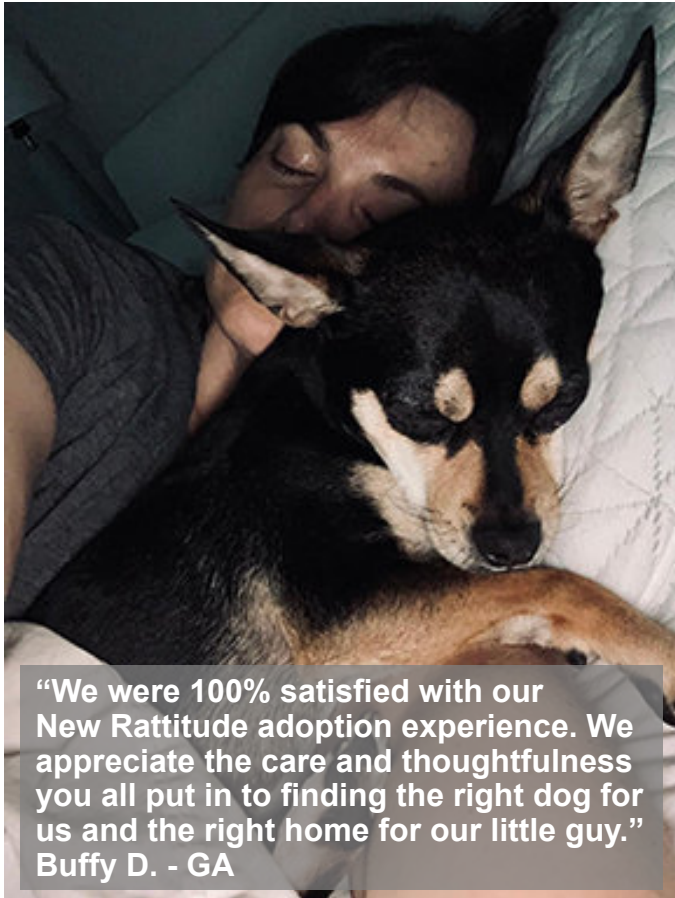
"We feel that the entire adoption process was excellent. Everything was thorough, timely, and professional. This was one of the best experiences we had." Sharon M. - WI



"Working with New Rattitude and with (Jake's) foster dad was absolutely amazing. We were 100% satisfied. It meant so much to us that we were able to connect with him and that he was willing to help shorten the Drive from Eastern Maine To Virginia."
Erin A. - ME



"...we LOVED our experience with New Rattitude and are in love with our little Spud. We liked how thorough the interview and selection process was because we believe that it benefits both pet and adoptive families to get into the right home." Kim W. - FL



"We were 100% satisfied with our New Rattitude adoption experience. We appreciate the care and thoughtfulness you all put in to finding the right dog for us and the right home for our little guy."
Buffy D. - GA

"I am amazed what a great organization this is. I have been inspired with your dedication and plan to volunteer as a (transport) driver in the future." Jim D. - PA

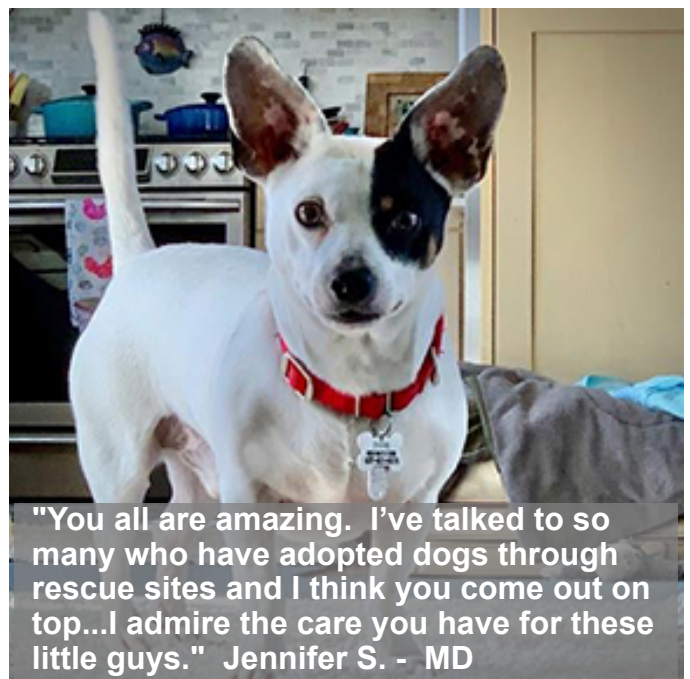
"We were really impressed by how thorough the process was and how honest all of the New Rattitude team members were... It was clear to us that y'all were very invested in finding true forever homes for these dogs, and we have nothing but awesome things to say about his foster mom. Elvis has quickly become one of the most important members of the household and it feels like we've always had him." Camille P. - DC

"The adoption process was well-organized. Everyone I dealt with was wonderful."
Amy C. - NC

"Our experience was great! We initially inquired about a different rattie...After some discussion, (foster mom) recommended Dawson as a better fit for what we were looking for... She kept us up to date with pictures and emails...I really appreciated the notes on his preferences and routine so we could stay consistent for him."
Shawn S. - WI



"Your adoption process is flawless and very efficient even with the year of pandemic. We follow you on Instagram and love all the updates. The process exceeded our expectations. Everyone is very supportive and willing to assist in any way." Kathryn R. - FL



"You all are amazing. I've talked to so many who have adopted dogs through rescue sites and I think you come out on top...I admire the care you have for these little guys." Jennifer S. - MD

Saving Kylee—the love that heals everything

THE RESCUE

Imagine being hungry to the point your bones show, crawling with fleas, unwanted, scared in a noisy animal shelter, AND pregnant! That was Kylee, but around noon on Friday, June 3, 2022, things started looking up. Kylee was rescued by New Rattitude.



GIVING BIRTH

Around 8:30 p.m. that same Friday evening, Kylee surprised her foster mom when she delivered her first puppy! Four more would follow, and we were overjoyed with these five new additions to the New Rattitude family, plus one very tired but devoted mama! There were four boys and one little girl – Kipper, Kirby, Kody, Kosmo, and Kupcake.



MORE CHALLENGES

Within days of the birth, Kylee's observant foster mom, Amy, noticed something wasn't right when Kylee was eating. She took Kylee to the vet and learned that she had a freshly broken jaw and bleeding behind her eye which indicates she'd had head trauma. Surgery was needed to repair her jaw. Of course, that had to be balanced with Kylee being underweight, malnourished, and having five newborn puppies that needed to be fed.

THE SURGERY

On Monday, June 20, Kylee had her jaw surgery. Her babies went to the vet clinic with her and stayed in the isolation area of the clinic, where they were bottle fed while Kylee was in surgery and recovery. This little family had a rough start, but we were heartened by all the love and support from our followers!

SAVING KYLEE cont'd

Kylee's surgery included insertion of a stabilizing wire to keep her jaw steady while it healed. Soon afterwards she went home with her puppies, settling in and taking medication for pain, with instructions to eat only soft food for the next couple months until her jaw fully healed.

New Rattitude asked for donations to cover the cost of Kylee's surgery and in just a matter of days, our fundraising goal of \$1,750 for Kylee's surgery was met!

**We received
donations from:**

31 individuals
Living in 17 states,
from Washington to
California, to Florida,
to Massachusetts,
and many states
in-between. We even
received a donation
from the Netherlands!



Kylee, the once flea-infested, malnourished, injured, pregnant, throw-away dog, had so many honorary aunts, uncles, and grandparents that loved her from afar and wanted to see her healthy and happy!

The challenges continued however. When Kylee was pulled from the animal shelter, Amy was warned that a very contagious and dangerous virus had affected the dogs in the shelter and every one of the puppies there at the time had perished from it. Within days of the birth of Kylee's puppies, Kylee and her pups all began showing signs of congestion. Sadly, despite treatment, one of the male puppies, Kody, did not survive.



SAVING KYLEE cont'd

FOREVER HOME

We know you'll all rejoice with us on the news of this very special adoption. In July, the Scott/Waddell family submitted an adoption application for a female rat terrier, 2-5 years old and in the 10-13 lb. range. Kylee fit that description and they began corresponding with New Rattitude volunteers to learn more about her. It soon became apparent that they were the perfect home for Kylee and she was the perfect dog for them.

However, Kylee's surgery had been complicated and recuperation took longer than anticipated. But that didn't deter her new family at all. They were committed to her, even driving four hours round trip to visit her in her foster home on several occasions.

Finally the big day came when Kylee was ready to join her new family for good. They were smitten with her and Kylee finally has the wonderful life she always deserved! Her new name is Bea and she is pictured on her first hike with her devoted parents.



In reflection, we're thankful for Kylee, for her devoted rescuers and foster parents, for the skilled vet that operated on her jaw, for all the supporters that donated towards her surgery, for her new adoptive family, for second chances, *and for the love that heals everything.*

POST SCRIPT

We share this rescue story to illustrate how New Rattitude carries out our mission to rescue and rehome abandoned, abused, neglected, sick, and unwanted Rat Terriers and Rat Terrier mixes, and the impact we can have on improving the quality of a single dog's life. Not all of the Rat Terriers rescued by New Rattitude have the special needs, health challenges, and costs that Kylee and her puppies had (the medical costs for this one little family exceeded \$4,500).

We're thankful for Amy and Karen, the two foster parents that provided the majority of the care for Kylee and her puppies. They truly exemplify the love and energy of our membership that our President, Bethany, mentions in her letter at the beginning of this Annual Report. We need more volunteers to continue this momentum and to be able to rescue dogs like Kylee that need us, that depend on us. Please consider responding to Bethany's challenge and join us in our mission. Submit your membership application here and now: [Membership Application - New Rattitude](#)

Join Us!

Love Rat Terriers?



www.NewRattitude.org

Lend a Paw, Save a Life!

Share your love for Rat Terriers by opening your home and heart to a homeless shelter dog. New Rattitude Rat Terrier Rescue and Adoption is looking for foster homes where a rescue dog can live in a real home environment while waiting for its Forever Home.

Foster Homes Needed!

Foster home families provide care for their rescued dog, socialization, training, and lots of love and affection.

New Rattitude provides the rest, including:

- Foster parent training and ongoing support
- Prompt reimbursement for vetting expenses and dog food
- Wormers and flea/tick preventative
- Microchip, collar, leash, and ID tag
- Nationwide exposure to promote your foster and an experienced and diligent adoption team to ensure your foster finds the perfect adoptive home
- A wealth of tools, resources, and in many cases, funding available for education, training, assistance with behavioral challenges, and other foster home needs.

Other Volunteer Opportunities

New Rattitude also has many non-fostering volunteer positions available, including adoption application processing, fundraising, publicity, website development and support, various administrative roles, and more. Choose an area within your skill set, interest, and available time.

For more info, visit <https://newrattitude.org/support/foster/faq>

To fill out a membership application, go to

<https://newrattitude.org/support/volunteer/membership-application>

