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Welcome to the world of Great Dawg Rescue!! We are thrilled to have a fabulous group of hardworking volunteers whose focus is saving great dawgs in the Volusia/Flagler area, and placing them in their forever homes right here in our community. There are always wonderful dawgs in shelters looking for a home like yours that come in all ages, colors, sexes and sizes...yet they are all looking for the same thing: Love, devotion, and companionship. It is our mission to make that very special and emotional process happen, and be with you every step of the way. :)

GDR is a non-profit 501(c)3, all volunteer driven dog rescue dedicated to retriever and senior sporting breed dogs, specializing in Labrador Retrievers. We are committed to rescuing dogs left homeless for whatever reason, dogs in local shelters who are at high risk for euthanasia, dogs no longer wanted by their owners, and those that have lived with being physically abused and emotionally neglected. Dawgs in our care are spayed/neutered, receive all vet care that is necessary, and if needed, work with a trainer or behaviorist to receive additional training. All the while, these great dawgs spend quality time with one of our fantastic foster families who treat them just like their own. The time the dawgs spends with the foster family is priceless, and allows us the opportunity to choose the absolute best family for each dawg.

Short Note from the Founder of GDR:

Thru many years of working in rescue, the one sentence that has always stood out to me was ..."he's a great dog but...." This came from all angles in rescue, either from the shelter folks, the family surrendering him, or the people placing their dogs on Craigslist. The 'but' could mean allergies, moving, new baby, new job, new wife or simply not wanting the dawg at all. I was always amazed and disappointed that so many dogs were given up for no other reason other than not being convenient, or perfect, or just getting on in their years. But then I realized thru rescue that ALL these dawgs are great, and there are great families, great volunteers and great vets that believe as much as I do that we can work a little harder, and help turn it around for them.

It is completely obvious to me and everyone else in GDR that they are ALL Great Dawgs, and if no one else wants them, then we will make it our mission to give them shelter, love, patience, medical care and make sure they will be with someone who does.

And so Great Dawg Rescue was born....
Go Great Dawg!!!

Laura Ortiz

Founder & Volunteer for GDR



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UGH! I know I'm the youngest why do I have to be last?

Besides me being the prettiest 7MO old black lab you've ever seen, I must admit to being awfully sweet, cuddly, and full of puppy nonsense!!

My name is Macy and I was left at the shelter for being a bit too much for the family that 'bought' me. Which I don't understand, since all I am is a very young, full of energy ball of lab puppy doing exactly what I do at this age....running, playing, sniffing, and play wrestling with my foster sister! Since I spent most of my early days growing up in a crate, I would absolutely need a family that could spend a good part of the day with me. A big back yard to run off some of my energy would be great, and I could live happily as an only dawg or have a house full to play with, too. Either way, lots of play time is needed in my life right now, so companionship and play time is key for me. Luckily, I am already house trained and know my inside manners, but still have a habit of running out the door if no one is looking. Foster mom thinks I get that from my previous life and being in a crate all day....freedom is still new to me, but I will learn quickly and be the best dawg ever!!

If you are interested in making me a part of your family, please go to www.GreatDawgRescue.org

Email: Laura@GreatDawgRescue.org

Also check us out on

PetFinders.com



Our Adoptable Dawgs !!!

Dawg Talk

Hello world!! my name is Angus, and I was one of those great dawgs that was left behind by my family when they decided to move cross country and didn't want to include me in their new lives. Maybe it was because I was too large (I have a BIG heart!), maybe because I shed too much (I have a beautiful golden coat!) or maybe because I am so excited to be alive (I like to talk!). Whatever the reason, I am very thankful to be with my awesome foster family in Ormond Beach living with my 2 furry friends who say I am a laugh to have around.

OK, Angus let me talk!

Hello World, Crockett here, and boy am I one of a kind!!

I am a beautiful mix of sheepdog, lab and who knows what with a beautiful white coat sprinkled with pixie dust that makes my coat twinkle in the sunlight!! I am about 1YO and growing a little more every day, and will probably be a nice middle sized dawgie when I'm done filling out.

Oh, Crockett may I have a turn?

Hi, Greta here!!

I am a gorgeous black, 6YO female Labrador Retriever who absolutely has something really exciting to tell you!! So, in the pictures you see here, I was at this really cool event in Deland that my foster mom took me to. It had floats, humans in costume, and lotsa other doggies- this crazy fun event was called Mardi- Gras!! And WOW, I was loving it!! People everywhere petting me, and even giving me treats! I soon got the hang of this, so I sat like the good girl that I am, and Wah Lah, I got another treat - YUM!!

Oops!! Angus, Crockett and Greta are a little jealous. This is what they said. "Hey Macy why do you get most of the page that's not fair"!

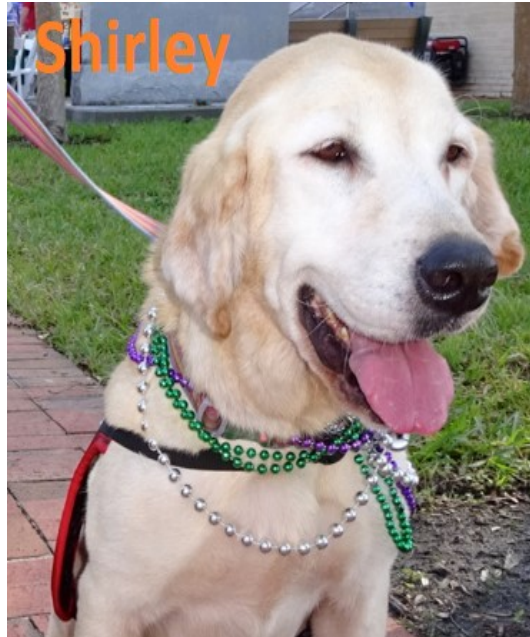
Macy's response " since you all made me go last this is what you get WOOF"!

Sidebar Story Headline

Angus does it again!! He
want to be in all of the
pages!

Hi Folks, I'm Shirley
Great Dawg found me a
forever home. I now have
my own mom and a furry
big bother named Rascal.
I love my mom and broth-
er. I have many dog
friend here too.

Great Dawg Rescue
would like to thank Joan
Cobb for adopting
Shirley. Happy Tales



Adopted Shirley

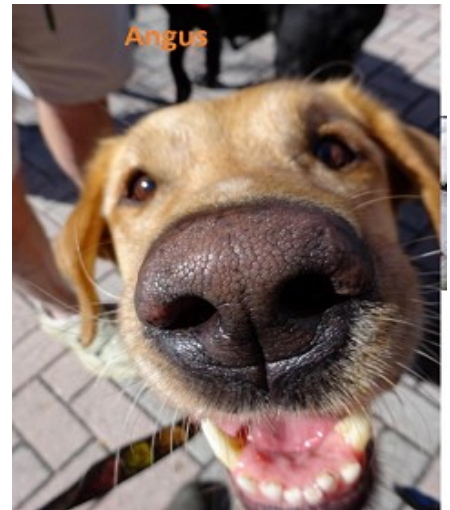


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Another Story Headline

What can we say about Ms. Robin Peterson, our little rescue dynamo!! She is a force in nature when it comes to getting things done, and ALWAYS steps up when we need to squeeze a space out of our rescue for another injured or very sick lab. She does wonders with the dawgs who aren't the best at walking on their leashes or being housetrained, and will make her bed right next to the dawgs so she can keep a close eye on our very sickest dawgs thru the night. Can't wait to see what we can accomplish with her in our wings, and we are very lucky to have her in GDR!!!

Robin Peterson has accomplished another great thing. She is now a Sales Associate Realtor ® with **Exit Real Estate Property Solutions** With two locations to serve you @ 3132 South Ridgewood Ave. South Daytona @ 386-763-3008 Office and 120 Flagler Ave. New Smyrna Beach @ 386-402-7909 Office. She can also be reached at 386-793-4581 Cell. Email: robinbpeterson1@gmail.com Web page coming soon!!

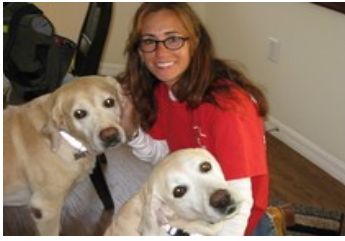
Your Real Estate Partner!

Whether you're an experienced homebuyer, or shopping for your first home, I will help make your experience the best it can be. My customer-focused approach has worked to help my clients throughout the area! As your trusted, professional real estate partner, I will help you find the best home in your area within your price range. Together we will sell your current home as quickly and easily as possible.



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Laura Ortiz– Founder



I couldn't be prouder to be a part of GDR and work with all my favorite people, or as we call ourselves, family. We have all been thru so much with each other, are always there for each other, and ultimately, created a great rescue for the dawgs that we are so desperately devoted to saving.

May we flourish and conquer in the name of Great Dawg Rescue, and I very much look forward to what we can accomplish for the Great Dawgs in our community. May doors continue to open and our family continue to grow...all for the sake of Great Dawgs everywhere. - Laura Ortiz.

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