



FOR THE LOVE OF WESTIES

Dear Westie Lovers,

It's hard to believe it has been 5 years since WestieMed was formed. But just look at what YOU have helped us accomplish! (Applause, Applause!)

All projects and activities of WestieMed are funded by charitable contributions. Only with your contributions can we continue to help injured or ill Westies, giving them a second chance at adoption and love from a permanent family.

Donations to WestieMed are tax-deductible to the extent allowed by law, so please continue to give as generously as you can.

Year	Westies Helped	Funding
2000	14	\$ 5,565.97
2001	7	\$ 8,295.63
2002	18	\$10,642.23
2003	14	\$10,162.15
2004	14	\$15,368.19
TOTAL	67	\$50,087.17

Our deepest appreciation goes out to all who have given so generously toward the health and welfare of rescued West Highland White Terriers.

MISSION STATEMENT

The Mission of WestieMed is to help raise the quality of life and adoptability of rescued West Highland White Terriers (Westies). WestieMed provides these Westies with a second chance at adoption and the opportunity to lead happy, healthy lives in stable, loving homes.

In addition, through its efforts and the example it sets, WestieMed aims to stimulate a dialogue, which will educate the general public about rescue animals and rescue organizations.

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“Today I made a difference in the life of a Westie.”

ABOUT WESTIEMED

In the five years since its inception in 2000, WestieMed, Inc. (WestieMed) has become a recognized force within the Westie rescue community due to its unique purpose: providing the financial assistance necessary to save the lives of rescued Westies in need of medical treatment. Between 2000 and 2004, WestieMed assisted 67 Westies by providing over \$50,000 in financial support towards their medical expenses.

WestieMed is an all-volunteer, non-profit corporation created to distribute financial aid to ill or injured rescue Westies. The organization was founded by a small group of Westie rescuers located across the country who saw a need to provide a resource where medical treatment funding for an abandoned or rescued Westie was unavailable or inadequate.

In August 2000 WestieMed was granted tax-exempt status under Section 501 (c)(3) of the Internal Revenue Code. We are registered as a charitable organization in the state of Maryland where Articles of Incorporation are filed. WestieMed is the only charitable organization in the United States that specifically provides financial help for rescued Westies in need of medical attention and for which contributions are tax-deductible.

As an Internet-based organization, WestieMed is able to intercede quickly on behalf of rescued Westies in need of medical attention by using the communication powers of the Internet. We also maintain a toll-free voice mail message center at 1-877-853-9469.

WestieMed Website:

The WestieMed website was developed in January 2000 and is currently being maintained under the direction of the Board of Directors. The website educates the public on various animal health and welfare issues through the information and updates published about the cases funded by WestieMed. Solicitation of volunteers and contributions is made via the website.

Support Independent Rescuers:

In addition to providing support to all Westie rescuers through the Mission of the organization, WestieMed also works to provide referrals to volunteers who can transport, foster and otherwise care for a rescued animal. The organization helps facilitate the contact of the appropriate volunteer with a specific rescuer's needs.

Presence at Dog Shows and Events:

WestieMed provided a presence at dog shows and other dog-related events across the country throughout the year to continue educating the public on WestieMed's Mission. Among the dog shows attended was the West Highland White Terrier Club of America's prestigious 2004 Roving Specialty in Frederick, Maryland.

In addition to providing information about WestieMed's Mission, public education included information about Westie rescue and Westie breed characteristics including care issues. These events also fostered public awareness of puppy mills and the prevention of animal cruelty as well as facilitated contacts with rescuers, volunteers and donors. WestieMed developed bookmarks, brochures and magnetic business cards as outreach tools for use in this regard. Throughout the year, WestieMed advertisements were contained in the *Westie Imprint*, the news magazine of the West Highland White Terrier Club of America (WHWTCA) with a readership of over 1,100.



“Oliver and I would like to personally thank WestieMed for their quick response and support of his medical needs”

FUNDING ACTIVITIES

The 11-member WestieMed Board of Directors is responsible for the careful screening of each Application for Aid submitted to ensure that Funding Guidelines are consistently and fairly met. WestieMed's Veterinary Advisory Board is consulted where there are questions about diagnosis, treatment and expected outcome. Further, the Board is responsible for appropriately disbursing funds in a timely manner for all approved cases.

The scope of WestieMed's Funding Guidelines was expanded in 2004. In its ongoing commitment to assist the Westie Rescue community, the Board extended the timeframe for submitting applications. Applications for funding can now be submitted up to 60 days after the expenses are incurred rather than the previous 30 days.

During 2004, WestieMed received 15 applications for financial assistance. Of these applications, 14 new cases met the Funding Guidelines and were approved to receive financial support towards medical expenses. Expenditures paid for the 14 approved cases in 2004 totaled \$15,368.19.

Since inception, WestieMed has continuously maintained a positive cash flow and has established an exemplary record in its ability to fund eligible cases.

To ensure that demand for future financial aid will continue to be met, WestieMed is responsible for the ongoing development of funding sources. The Board of Directors works year round on establishing and implementing numerous fundraising efforts to protect and maintain the organization's viability.

During 2004, these efforts included solicitation of individual contributions, club or group donations, corporate affiliations, planned gifts and donations of in-kind items. The Board also sponsored eBay auctions and offered a wide variety of Westie merchandise in WestieMed's expanded online Gift Shop including apparel, jewelry, tote bags, handbags, prints, notecards, books, ornaments, magnets, key chains, cookie cutters, treat jars, mugs, soaps, doormats, garden flags and figurines.

Additionally, the Board supported special events held for the benefit of WestieMed such as the extremely successful 2004 Ohio WestieWalk in Gahanna, Ohio, as well as the 2004 Texas WestieWalk in Carrollton, Texas.

OUR SUPPORTERS

Our deepest appreciation goes out to all who have given so generously toward the health and welfare of rescued West Highland White Terriers.

As a non-profit, tax-exempt 501(c)(3) charitable organization, WestieMed is funded solely by contributions from the general public. Financial contributions may be deductible for federal income tax purposes to the full extent allowed by law.

Each year WestieMed's activities have been fulfilled, thanks to the donations from our supporters.

WestieMed has established two Funds to help rescued Westies - the **General Fund** and the **Goober Memorial Fund**. The Goober Memorial Fund was created in August 2001 to assist Westies with congenital orthopedic conditions. This fund was named for Goober, the little Westie who touched and inspired so many people with his courage and will to live. The General Fund is used to assist Westies with other medical conditions.

“We’d like to express our thanks to WestieMed for the funding.

It will let us help the next Westie we take in.”

FUNDING ELIGIBILITY

WestieMed will provide monetary assistance toward non-routine medical expenses for non-terminally ill Westies or Westie mixes displaying the physical and behavioral attributes of a pure-bred Westie who are abandoned, rescued or recent adoption cases (up to 6 months) and for whom no other funding is available or is insufficient.

WestieMed will accept applications for assistance from any group, organization, or individual who is of legal age (18 years).

The age of the Westie is not a limiting factor as WestieMed will decide each case as to the quality of future life for that dog. No funds will be released without specific assurances that the dog has been or will be spayed or neutered.

WestieMed will provide monetary support to reimburse or directly pay veterinary services for medical expenses of rescued Westies. No rescuer or other individual will be permitted to make a profit from funds disbursed by WestieMed.

FUNDING PROCESS

Just as each Westie is unique, each Westie's rescue situation and health condition is also unique. The following is the general process by which an application is submitted, eligibility is determined and financial assistance is disbursed for rescued Westies in need of medical attention.

STEP ONE: THE APPLICATION

- Confirm your Westie meets all the requirements of the Funding Guidelines as stated on the WestieMed website;
- Submit an online application from the WestieMed website; and
- Email, fax or mail a photo of your Westie and the veterinary invoice or estimate to the WestieMed Applications Coordinator.

STEP TWO: DETERMINE ELIGIBILITY AND APPROVE FUNDING

- The Board of Directors reviews application for eligibility in accordance with the Funding Guidelines;
- The Applications Coordinator may contact you, your veterinarian or the WestieMed Veterinary Advisory Board for additional information; and
- The Board of Directors determines and approves the funding.

STEP THREE: DISBURSE FUNDING

- Write a summary of your dog's medical condition and rescue story for the WestieMed website;
- Approved funding will be issued by the WestieMed Treasurer; and
- Stay in contact with WestieMed while treatment is ongoing and for a period of at least one year following completion of treatment.

WESTIES WE HAVE HELPED



Name of Dog: **Teddy**
 Age of Dog: 7 years old
 Rescue State: New Jersey
 Medical Condition: Malassezia Dermatitis, Keratoconjunctivitis Sicca, ear infections, heart murmur

Synopsis: Teddy is a 7-year old male Westie found as a stray and brought to the Monmouth County, New Jersey SPCA. He was diagnosed with severe yeast infection causing hair loss with secondary bacterial infection of the ears and skin as well as severe Keratoconjunctivitis Sicca (SCA) in both eyes. Despite his appearance and obvious health issues, he was adopted by a shelter volunteer who could tell Teddy had a great personality. With TLC and proper treatment from his new family consisting of a Mom, a Grandma, eight rabbit brothers and sisters and one guinea pig brother, Teddy has made great progress and is feeling better every day. Teddy knows he is truly blessed with lots of company and lots of love. His infections have disappeared, he has increased his tear production and he is growing a beautiful new Westie coat of white hair.



Name of Dog: **Joey**
 Age of Dog: 10.5 weeks old
 Rescue State: Oklahoma
 Medical Condition: Patent Ductus Arteriosus (PDA)

Synopsis: When his application for funding was made to WestieMed, Joey was a 10 ½ week old puppy-mill-bred male Westie with a congenital heart defect. The defect was Patent Ductus Arteriosus (PDA) a condition in which a fetal structure remains open, causing excess blood flow through the lungs. The mill owner was going to euthanize the puppy but instead gave him to a family free of charge on December 23, 2003. The diagnosis of PDA was confirmed three days later by the family's regular veterinarian in Broken Bow, Oklahoma who referred Joey to the Animal Surgical Center in Oklahoma City for evaluation and surgery. After an exam, heart ultrasound and chest x-ray, it was determined that Joey would not live much longer and surgery was recommended with an excellent prognosis. Surgery was performed on January 13, 2004. Joey woke up from surgery with his tail wagging and he has had an excellent recovery. Joey's owner writes, "Joey had a birthday on October 13th, he was 1-year old. He is playful and very fun. He is a big blessing to our family. We just love him."

Yes! I want to join other Friends of Westies™

Here's a donation in the amount of \$ _____

Name _____

Address _____

City _____

State/Zip _____

Telephone _____

E-Mail _____

I prefer to make this donation anonymously.

I wish to be added to the WestieMed email announcement list hosted by YahooGroups.

This donation is in memory of:

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Please make check or money order payable to:
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WestieMed, Inc.
 8415 Canning Terrace
 Greenbelt, MD 20770



Name of Dog: **Dodger**
Age of Dog: 6 years old
Rescue State: Missouri
Medical Condition: Tumor, scapular area

Synopsis: Dodger is a 6-year old neutered male Westie rescued from a puppy mill by Westie Rescue of Missouri (WRM). He was adopted as a special needs dog with an "injured" right front leg that was non-weight bearing. The mill owner told WRM this injury was due to "walking in a wire cage." Dodger was immediately taken to the new owner's veterinarian who discovered the cause was actually a large tumor involving the scapular area. Surgery was performed on November 18, 2004 to remove the tumor. The tumor was ap-

proximately 4-5 inches in size with nerves entangled in the mass. Consequently, Dodger's right leg was amputated at the shoulder. The veterinarian stated that if Dodger had received care during the initial stages of the tumor, amputation could have been prevented. After surgery, Dodger received radiation treatments. Subsequently, he developed a very large burn on his skin. Dodger's owner writes, *"Dodger is experiencing a new life that I bet he never dreamed existed. Soon, his treatments will be finished. His burn will heal. Dodger will then be able to live a healthier, happier and much longer life, running and playing, and doing all of the things a loving dog should be doing."*



Name of Dog: **Pearl**
Age of Dog: 15 years old
Rescue State: Florida
Medical Condition: Lesion on side, poor vision, abscessed teeth.

Synopsis: Pearl is a 15-year old spayed female Westie stray found by the Key Largo, Florida Animal Control. She had a lesion on her side, was blind due to cataracts, deaf and had a mouth full of decayed teeth including draining abscessed canines. Additionally, Pearl had worms, fleas and skin problems. Pearl was released to Westie Rescue of Florida who fostered her and obtained veterinary care for her. The lesion on her side was removed and the abscessed teeth were extracted. She was treated with antibiotics, cyclosporine, medicated baths and mouth gel. Pearl easily acclimated to home life with her foster family.

Pearl's rescuer stated *"she again showed me why our commitment to not exclude dogs based on age or medical condition is a good one. Pearl is enjoying quality time and will bring joy to a human who is worthy enough to share her remaining days."* Pearl's new owner writes *"Pearl is such a comfort to me and I to her. I can't tell you how much I appreciate WestieMed stepping in to "SAVE HER LIFE"! She is doing wonderfully. Her health is good and she has regained a lot of energy and the will to live. She loves people and often goes with me in the car visiting. She is such a sweet-heart. Everyone loves her. Thank you for giving us this chance to be together. I know it was for the best!! And I know Pearl will live out the rest of her days in comfort and love."*



Name of Dog: **Ginger**
Age of Dog: 3 years old
Rescue State: Virginia
Medical Condition: Liver Shunt, Depth perception problem in one eye, Neurological problem related to shunt and luxating patella.

Synopsis: Ginger is a 3-year old female Westie who was surrendered to Westie Rescue, Inc. as her owners were unable or unwilling to provide her the care that she needed. It was suspected that Ginger had a liver shunt, but her owners never followed up with further diagnosis. They did not spay her and her vaccination history was sketchy. At the time of rescue, it was apparent that she had neurological problems consisting of loss of balance, circling, tail biting and a hopping gait. Additionally, her vision was compromised due to a depth perception problem. All of these symptoms could have been caused by living with the untreated liver shunt. The veterinary specialist recommended that Ginger have a biopsy, dye study (portogram) and subse-

quent shunt repair, if indicated. The dye study and biopsy did indicate a shunt repair was needed and it was done on March 17, 2004 as well as spaying. Ginger loves children, is very friendly and gets along fine with dogs and cats.



Name of Dog: **Kegan**
 Age of Dog: 4 months old
 Rescue State: Louisiana
 Medical Condition: Recto-vaginal fistula, hermaphrodite, agenesis of right kidney, hernia

Synopsis: Kegan was born December 2003 in rescue after her pregnant mother was breeder surrendered to Louisiana Westie Rescue. Kegan was adopted on Valentine's Day 2004. Her owners noticed she urinated through her rectum and took her to Oklahoma State University School of Veterinary Medicine for evaluation. It was discovered that Kegan had a recto-vaginal fistula, only one working kidney, a ureter that might be too small and no fully developed sexual organs. On April 20, 2004 Kegan's fistula was repaired.

Without the surgery Kegan could have developed an infection in her one remaining functional kidney which could have lead to her death. Due to Kegan's sexual ambiguity, she was also both spayed and neutered during the fistula repair surgery. Three days later she required another surgery when her incision herniated and on May 1, 2004 a body wall tear required emergency surgical repair. Her recovery has since been uneventful. On December 3, 2004, Kegan celebrated her first birthday. Kegan wrote to us *"It's my first birthday today and I feel great. I look pretty good too. I've come a long way since my surgeries. My doctor says I'm fit and should live a long healthy life. I'm not very big but I weigh 14 lbs! Not bad for a Westie that weighed only two ounces at birth. My life is good and comfortable. I have great parents and lots of Westie brothers and sisters. I'm livin' large and walkin' in tall cotton."* Kegan's owners states *"Our baby is doing great. Kegan's brought a lot of joy to our family and we couldn't imagine life without her."*



Name of Dog: **MacDoodle (Mac)**
 Age of Dog: Estimated age of 15 years old
 Rescue State: Georgia
 Medical Condition: Heart murmur, ear infections, deafness, severe hair loss, poor vision, arthritis, malnourished, cysts and growths

Synopsis: MacDoodle (Mac) is a neutered male Westie picked up as a stray wandering the streets of Atlanta by the Fulton County, Georgia Animal Control who estimated his age as about 15 years. Animal Control, in turn, contacted Small Dog Rescue and Humane Society, Inc. who rescued Mac and placed him in foster care.

He was thin, weak, exhausted and in considerable pain with a host of medical issues. Mac was deaf with a head tilt indicating possible neurological damage. A sizable tumor behind his left ear was removed. X-rays revealed he had some bone abnormality possibly broken and healed improperly without treatment. He also had severe arthritis throughout his body and had ear infections in both ears which improved with cleaning and medication. A badly decayed tooth was discovered and removed. Additionally, Mac had severe hair loss probably due to flea allergies. Mac has poor eyesight with no signs of glaucoma, although he has slight cataracts. Mac was also diagnosed with a mid-range heart murmur. Despite his weakened condition there was no organ failure and his bloodwork was quite good. After several months of foster care and medications for his heart, arthritis and ear infections, Mac's physical condition stabilized and he was no longer in pain. Mac's rescuer writes, *"Mac has moments of mischief when he romps and plays. Those moments are brief, but they are a joy and allow us to see the puppy he once was. He has great spirit --- that wonderful Westie spunk."* The rescue group is committed to keep Mac for life if they are unable to find a qualified family to adopt him.



Name of Dog: **Shorty**
 Age of Dog: 3 years old
 Rescue State: Illinois
 Medical Condition: Enlarged Heart; Wheezing; Bronchitis

Synopsis: Shorty is a 5-year old male Westie who was released to the rescue program of the WHWTCNI when his owner passed away. A veterinary check-up revealed an enlarged heart and wheezing. Shorty was evaluated by a veterinary cardiologist who determined that despite the enlargement, his heart was functioning normally. Further examination of Shorty's lungs revealed his wheezing was due to Bronchitis that was treated with antibiotics, steroids and a bronchodilator. He will also require a bronchial inhaler daily for the rest of his life. Shorty was fitted for his facemask inhaler and now his medication is administered twice a day without difficulty. The inhaler replaced the oral medication to reduce long-term side effects.



Name of Dog: **Adam**
Age of Dog: 3 years old
Rescue State: New York
Medical Condition: Malassezia Dermatitis

Synopsis: Adam is a 3-year old neutered male Westie rescued from an East Islip, New York shelter by the Canine Animal Rescue Effort (C.A.R.E.) of America, Inc. Adam had many bald spots all over his body. The pads on his paws were so thin that they were raw and bloody. Adam had a skin scraping biopsy and ear cleaning under anesthesia. He was placed on a course of antibiotics, antihistamine, antibiotic ear ointment, ear cleaning solution and medicated dermal shampoo. Adam responded to the Ketoconazole. The mange and infections were eliminated and his coat started to grow back. C.A.R.E. screened several families for Adam and decided on one lucky family who absolutely adores him. Adam is doing very well in his new home.



Name of Dog: **Rocky**
Age of Dog: 3 years old
Rescue State: New York
Medical Condition: Severe Malassezia, severe emaciation

Synopsis: Rocky is a 3-year old neutered male Westie who was owner surrendered to Westie Rescue of Western New York. When Rocky was a year old he was adopted from the SPCA by a man for his granddaughter. When the girl moved away, there was no reason to keep Rocky. Rescue discovered a thin and hairless Westie. Rocky had been kept in a crate and not given adequate food, attention or treatment for his severe skin condition of Malassezia. Rescue immediately began Rocky on an appropriate Malassezia treatment protocol as well as a nutritious diet. His rescuer states,

"I knew that WestieMed is very familiar with these critical Malassezia cases so I immediately contacted them for help. They were right there guiding me in his treatment and financially supporting his rehabilitation. In two weeks time he has gone from 16 to 20 pounds and his coat is beginning to grow back. His prognosis is very good. It won't be long and we will be looking for a very special forever home for him." And, indeed, a very special forever home for Rocky was found. As the WestieMed Board of Directors reviewed Rocky's application for aid, board member Bette Heidorn knew she and Rocky belonged together – it was simply love at first sight. During the summer Rocky went to his forever home with Bette and her two Westies. Bette writes, *"What a JOY this little guy is. He is very spoiled and thinks his place in life is on my lap. In October, Rocky was the Guest of Honor at the WestieWalk in Gahanna, Ohio. He lead the parade and was quite proud. Everyone there was saying how very handsome he is. Rocky has a full coat now and his health is excellent. He loves playing with his little sister Sophie Rose and his brother Mr. Magoo."*



Name of Dog: **Oliver**
Age of Dog: Unknown
Rescue State: Florida
Medical Condition: Kidney Stones

Synopsis: Oliver, a neutered male Westie, was owner surrendered along with a female Westie named Daisy to Westie Rescue in Dade City, Florida. The owner had a young family and no longer had time for the Westies. The Westies were surrendered when they showed aggressive behavior toward the family's 3-year old child. While in foster care, however, neither Westie was aggressive to older children or other Westies. After a few days in foster care, Oliver began spotting blood during urination. He was diagnosed with urethra

stones requiring an immediate Cystotomy and Urethrotomy. Oliver's surgery was successful and he was placed on a prescription food to prevent future stones. After his stitches were removed, Oliver and Daisy were both adopted by a wonderful family.



Name of Dog: **Snoopy**
Age of Dog: 7 years old
Rescue State: North Carolina
Medical Condition: Blindness due to bilateral cataracts

Snoopy is a 7-year old neutered male Westie who was abandoned at the North Carolina State University Veterinary Teaching Hospital and placed in foster care with Carolina Westie Rescue. Snoopy was unable to walk due to a spine problem, unable to see due to cataracts, he had been abused and neglected with skin and coat problems, scabbed-over ears and a poorly amputated tail. Despite all of this, Snoopy was sweet and loving. The Hospital operated on his back and the prognosis was good for him to be able to walk, at least a little bit, with help getting up and down. After several months in foster care, he was able to move around without help. While in foster care, Snoopy's cataracts were successfully removed and the change was miraculous. His foster care family told us, "After a day recovering, Snoop was up and running with our dogs. Now if he is in the house he plays with the others and if he is in the yard he chases squirrels and birds with them and has a grand old time. However, he remains the same sweet loving little guy." During the summer, Snoopy was placed in his new loving forever home where he has adjusted wonderfully.



Name of Dog: **Beau**
Age of Dog: 4 years old
Rescue State: Louisiana
Medical Condition: Heartworm Positive, Bladder Infection, Worms, Ear Infections, Emaciated

Synopsis: Beau is a 4-year old neutered male Westie who was released by his owner to Louisiana Westie Rescue. It soon became obvious he had been neglected and abused. A veterinary exam revealed whipworms, hookworms, heartworms, ear infections and a severe urinary tract infection. Mentally and emotionally Beau was terrified as he cowered, lost control of his bowels and spent his time walking endlessly in tight circles. Beau had spent so much time isolated in a crate that he literally closed down emotionally. His physical health slowly improved. The heartworm treatment was difficult but ultimately successful. At the conclusion of the treatment, Beau began to mentally improve. He still moved in small circles but over the next few days the circles became bigger and less frequent. Finally he began to enjoy sitting with his foster Mom. The day he ran in a straight line across the yard to bark with the other Westies was an awesome sight for his foster Mom! Beau improved by leaps and bounds after that. Beau was adopted by a family with a female Westie, Maggie, who officially put her paw of approval on Beau deciding he would be a great playmate. It did not take long before Maggie and Beau were racing around the house like Westies should! Beau's foster Mom writes, "No doubt Beau has found his home and has made another huge step towards becoming the happy little guy he was always meant to be!"



Name of Dog: **Precious**
Age of Dog: 5 years old
Rescue State: New York
Medical Condition: Kidney Stones

Synopsis: The original owners of Precious and her Westie brother, Mikey, could no longer keep them and gave them to someone else. After a few weeks, that person surrendered them to the Hempstead, New York Animal Shelter. The shelter workers decided it would be best for Precious and Mikey to be adopted together and within a couple of days they were both adopted by a family. After about two weeks, Precious began bleeding with urination due to a bladder infection caused by a kidney stone. After a course of antibiotics for the infection, surgery was recommended to remove the stone. Precious writes, "My new family, my brother Mikey and I are very grateful to the kind people of WestieMed for helping us so that I can get better."

HOW YOU CAN HELP

There are a number of ways and opportunities you can help support WestieMed to raise the quality of life and adoptability of rescued Westies in need of medical attention.

MAKE A DONATION

- Mail a monetary donation to:

WestieMed, Inc.
c/o 8415 Canning Terrace
Greenbelt, MD 20770
- Credit Card donations are accepted online using **PayPal!**
Our PayPal email address is treasurer@westiemed.com
- Donate items for WestieMed's online Auctions
- Make a Planned Gift consisting of such items as stocks, bonds, cash, personal property, bequests, trusts, life insurance and IRAs
- Make a donation with your company's Matching Gift Program

MAKE A PURCHASE

- Obtain "ever-burning" online Tribute and Memorial Virtual Candles from the **Paws and Remember** program on the WestieMed website
- Shop in the online WestieMed Gift Shop for unique Westie items
- Shop with the affiliate companies listed on the WestieMed website
- Participate in WestieMed's online Auctions

VOLUNTEER

- Help organize a Fundraising event for the benefit of WestieMed
- Offer your talents and time for a WestieMed Committee
- Help spread the word about WestieMed

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affiliated with,
nor endorsed by,
any other
organization or
breed club.
It is only
through donations
made directly
to WestieMed
that we are
able to fulfill
our mission
of helping
rescued Westies
in need of
medical attention.*

*“WestieMed is an awesome organization and without their support
I have no doubt that many small rescue groups like mine would not
be able to continue to help little guys like Beau.”*

OFFICERS AND BOARD OF DIRECTORS

The WestieMed Board of Directors is comprised of a dedicated and caring group of Westie owners, rescuers and breeders who serve voluntarily without compensation for the love of the breed.

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by caring for
those less fortunate.”*

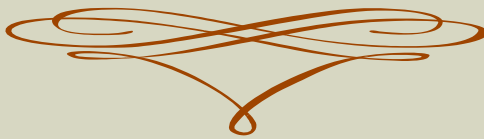


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Rx for Rescued Westies



Rescued Hearts

Taking care of Rescue dogs
Is something I do best.
I know because I've done it,
And I've surely passed the test.

The dogs I've bathed, the food I've fed,
The vacuuming I've done,
And all to watch a frightened soul
Sit dreaming in the sun.

My own dogs I've neglected,
But I tell them every day,
That I love and cherish each of them
Though a new dog's come to stay.

I know they understand this,
For in their eyes I see
The love that I have given them
Come shining back at me.

Some people think I'm crazy,
Some others think I'm great.
But very few can understand
What really is at stake.

If I can love and help a dog
To find a better way,
My own life is much richer,
I look forward to each day.

So now you know my secret,
It's there for all to see.
The love I give, the life I save,
I do it all for ME.

- Kathleen Parsons

“You’re not just making a donation...you’re making a difference!”