

FOR *the Love of Hounds*

BASSETT BUDDIES TO THE RESCUE

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Presley couldn't have seen – literally – the bright future ahead of her when a Basset Buddies volunteer rescued her from an area shelter in 2013. At only 3 years old, Presley suffered from painful glaucoma that had engorged her eyes and taken her sight. Abandoned and alone, she needed a friend and she needed relief. Now, a year and a half later, Presley is Basset Buddies' Good Dog Ambassador is with a loving forever family and a pack of adoring fans that delight in her eye-less antics.

Basset Buddies Rescue of Texas is a 501(c)(3) nonprofit organization staffed solely by volunteers devoted to the rescue, rehabilitation and rehoming of unwanted, abused, and homeless Basset Hounds in Texas. Known for their long ears, short legs and droopy eyes, Basset Hounds are comical dogs with endearing personalities and an easygoing demeanor.

In general, they make excellent family pets, but they're not always the easiest to live with or train! Bassetts are notoriously stubborn and often messy, and some people are surprised to learn this "lazy" breed needs a moderate amount of daily exercise in a fenced area or on a leash. They're scent hounds with a nose of their own, after all!

Basset Buddies rescues Bassetts from shelters or directly from owners who are unable or unwilling to continue caring for them. Before adoption, we place the Bassetts in loving volunteer foster homes, where they are evaluated in terms of temperament and behavior. We also address all medical conditions and spay/neuter all unaltered hounds. The vast majority of our rescued Bassetts require treatment for heartworm disease before adoption, as well.

Despite the time and expense involved,

Basset Buddies is committed to providing the most appropriate and humane treatment for every Basset Hound in our rescue. Because we are funded entirely by donations from the public, the continuation of our work depends on the generosity of basset hound lovers everywhere. We guarantee that 100% of all donations goes directly to the care and treatment of our deserving hounds.

Since 2007, we have rescued more than 850 Bassetts. Like Presley, many of them came to us battered, broken, sick, old, and defeated. Some are still waiting for their forever homes and are available for adoption on our website or at one of our local adoption events.

Join the fun! We always need volunteers, sponsors, fosters, and forever homes. Check us out at www.bbtrx.org, like us on Facebook, and contact us at info@bbtrx.org.

