

An act of caring, a gift of life.



Sometimes we're asked why we're dedicated to saving the lives of abandoned, neglected and abused Northern Breed dogs. The short answer is we love them and they need us. But there's more to it than that.

Over the last few thousand years, dogs have become a reflection of what people want them to be. Whether a gentle, tiny companion or a tireless worker, their appearance, attributes and behavior have been bred into them. But the Northern Breeds are an exception and come to us pretty much the way nature intended. Their keen senses, intelligence, strength and endurance have been passed down over time with minimal human interference, making them closer to the "original dog" than other breeds. But what makes these dogs so unique also puts them at a very high risk of neglect, abandonment and abuse.

Without the activity, grooming, training and close human companionship they need,

huskies, malamutes and Samoyeds can deteriorate quickly. NorSled's dogs come from public shelters, where we find them starving, matted, dirty and often with serious medical problems or injuries. Many have been so abused or neglected that they are emotionally shut down. Huskies aren't low maintenance "backyard dogs" nor are they couch potatoes content with passive lives. The irresistible Christmas puppy, within a few short months, grows into a dog that belongs in a home where s/he's understood, appreciated and well cared for.

But many Huskies are bought by people who don't understand the breed, especially their need for activity and adventure. The result is that many of these wonderful, sensitive dogs end up at public shelters. Their owners turned them in or abandoned them, often giving it as much thought as throwing away yesterday's newspaper. Some dogs ran away rather than continue to suffer. But regardless of why they ended up at the shelter, each of them has something in common: unless someone comes to their aid, they will all die not for anything they've done but simply because no one wants them.



Imagine being in a cage where the noise level is deafening. Imagine sharing that cage with other dogs that could hurt you or take what little food is available. It is dark, cold and scary. The smell of death is in the air and frightened dogs are pulled by a catch pole as they pass your cage, never to return. Imagine your own pet in that situation. And since life is life --- imagine yourself in that situation.

The difference between their finding a permanent, loving home and dying alone and unwanted is NorSled --and you. So please consider NorSled in your financial and estate planning. We accept contributions not for our organization but ultimately on behalf of the animals we serve. This responsibility is not taken lightly. It is at the core of our mission to insure that every dollar we receive is spent carefully, wisely and effectively for those in our care.

Who is NorSled?

Founded in 1998, NorSled is an all volunteer organization that rescues, rehabilitates, and finds new homes for unwanted, abused and abandoned Siberian Huskies, Malamutes, Samoyeds and Nordic Breed mixes. We are a tax deductible, 501 (c) (3) non-profit organization. We receive no government funding and need your support to continue our mission.



Contributions can be made in many ways that will enable you to save innocent lives and prevent suffering while receiving tax benefits. Certain types of gifts may allow you to increase your income while reducing income and estate taxes.

Please consider:

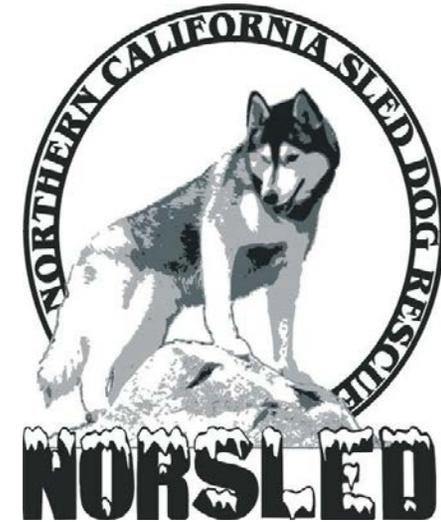
- Bequests in your will: Bequests to us should be made to “Northern California Sled Dog Rescue, a charitable organization”.
- Retirement Plans: IRA, 401 (K) and other retirement savings plan balances can be donated or bequeathed to non-profit organizations.
- Life Insurance Policies and Trusts: Please consider NorSled as a beneficiary or partial beneficiary.
- Charitable Remainder Trusts and Gift Annuities: A CRT or CGA allows you to receive lifetime income from an investment while receiving a tax deduction for its value when donated to a non-profit organization.

Real Estate and Personal Property: NorSled will gratefully accept all real estate and personal property, including stock, bonds and other financial assets, cars, boats, art and other property.

Help us bring hope where there is none, for if it's hopeless anywhere at some level it's that way for each of us.

Please donate to NorSled.

**You can help bring hope.
You can help save lives.**



**Saving Nordic Breed dogs
since 1998.**

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