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An Invitation to Support Metropolitan Guinea Pig Rescue

Friends of MGPR,

This year has brought us many changes and challenges, but let's start with one of the most inspiring rescue pigs we have ever met, Lucy in the Sky. We were contacted by a partner shelter about a little pig that had been surrendered to them with a euthanasia order. The little pig was

very sick, but there was just something special about her. They just couldn't terminate her. She was examined by a non-exotics vet who thought the old girl might be pregnant. That sure wasn't any help and they knew it. Then they called us.



When we received her she was obviously on the brink of death, horribly bloated and in pain. We started working on her right out of the transport carrier. In the end, Lucy lived an additional 47 days. She came with quite a laundry list, upper respiratory infection, a huge hair ball, blindness, and awful bloating. It just went on and on. So we know by now everyone is wondering why we put so much effort into a guinea pig that you can't fix. Lucy really didn't give us a choice. After her first dose of baby gas drops and pain med took hold she was a sweet interactive vibrant guinea pig. Begging to be held and petted, eating her veggies with glee, and adjusting her routine to compensate for her blindness beautifully. It wasn't that we gave Lucy 47 days, but more like she gave them to us.

Changes – well, Lucy is part of those changes. With your generous help we don't have to turn the sick pigs away. Can we save them all? No, but we can give them a loving place to end their days. That's a lot when you think about it. With your help we are growing into a rescue whose reach is growing and one that has the capabilities to step up and lend a hand to other rescues in need. These changes can only happen with your help.

More Changes. With proper funding we can reach out into our community and others to offer significant help when the big dumps come – large numbers of guinea pigs, all at once. This year we have taken in pigs from 3 significant dumps. Two of the groups were dumped outside in parks. That seems to be a common thing to do these days. With your help we were able to step up and offer much needed cage space and medical care to so many guinea pigs.



Another major change this year has been inspired by our members. We have tripled the number of outreach programs we are involved in. We know that education will be the ultimate tool against the rising tide of unwanted pets and we are trying hard to have a voice in our community and educate.

We thank you for your past support and hope we can count on your help in the future.

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