

MEET THE ANIMALS IN YOUR 2018 'RESCUED!' CALENDAR

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This 6-year old Calico was picked up as a stray, roaming the streets all alone. What's worse? She's blind, has difficulty walking, running and jumping PLUS her mouth had a few rotten teeth inside, making eating a very painful activity. HBSPCA to the rescue! Sadie was originally named "Bubbles" when she was transferred from Hamilton Animal Services because her pronounced underbite and googly eyes resembled the popular same-named kitty-loving character from the Trailer Park Boys. The Companion Animal Hospital assessed her with a physical condition called ataxia that makes walking, running and jumping difficult -- she doesn't have full control of her muscles. She was most likely born this way so it will not get any worse but sadly, it will not get any better. It became obvious pretty

quickly that this blind beauty had once had a home; she was used to being around people! She loved to be held and snuggled with all her visitors at the shelter. At first it was presumed she'd be unable to jump onto furniture or navigate stairs but after being adopted into her forever home, it was clear Sadie had once lived in a house with stairs – she went up and down like a pro, never faltering or stumbling even once. She also jumps up onto a tiny stool so she can "look" out the window and take in the fresh air, the sounds of birds and the smell of flowers. She's the most affectionate, docile, brave, even-tempered kitty ever, and the extra work that comes with taking care of a special needs cat is all worth it every time she searches for a lap to cuddle in, an ear to purr in or an ankle to head-butt.