

## **Senior Dogs**

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Over the last several weeks, we've had several dogs returned to GSRNC. Some of these dogs had been adopted for several years before coming back to GSRNC. They all have their own stories and reasons why they've returned. Many of them now are in their senior years and looking for their second chance at a forever family.

Meet Max. Max was adopted back in 2013 to his forever home... at least, that's what we thought. Recently, we were notified that he was being returned for no declared reason... maybe for being too old? Who knows the reason. What we do know is that we take back ALL of our dogs no matter the reason or circumstance, and we are delighted to have Max back in our care. He had not seen a vet in a while, so we got him caught up on all his shots. The vet also put him on an arthritis medication, which he has responded very well to. He also received a beauty appointment and a much needed "blow out" of all his hair. He is now shiny and handsome with gorgeous hair.

Max had some ear infections, which have been treated, but unfortunately resulted in significant hearing loss. Thankfully, he responds well to hand signals as a substitute. He absolutely LOVES his daily walks in the neighborhood. He now chases deer in the neighborhood and enjoys running on the beach.

While Max is almost 10 years old, his coat, white teeth and bright eyes suggest a much younger dog. Now that he is getting regular exercise, his strength and positive attitude have returned. Everybody who meets Max falls in love. While he is all GSD in his intelligence, protectiveness and loyalty, he is mellower than a younger GSD and easier to manage. Max would like nothing more than to sleep inside, go for several short walks and be the loyal, devoted GSD as he was meant to be.