

# Athletes and Influencers Invited to Take Part in the "Star Paws Challenge" and Share Their Dog Adoption Story

*"Join the 'Star Paws Challenge': Athletes and Influencers Share Their Heartwarming Dog Adoption Journeys"*

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Every dog deserves a chance to be a star in someone's life. The Star Paws Challenge, is not just raising funds; we are illuminating the path for shelter pets to find their way to a forever home.”

*Elizabeth Menegon, Founder of Hands2Paws*

Menegon, the visionary behind the mobile app [Hands2Paws](#), is contacting athletes, influencers, and celebrities to join the "Star Paws Challenge" and help raise awareness for [dog adoption](#).

The challenge encourages celebrities and influencers who have adopted dogs to share their experiences, donate five dollars, and nominate friends and followers to do the same. “The objective is to create a narrative that inspires others, famous or not, to consider adopting a shelter pet,” Menegon says, “Pet adoptions are at a low, and the overcrowding in shelters is heartbreaking. Menegon recognized the power of social media to create awareness.

Who else is better at getting attention than celebrities?

The initiative behind the donations was simple: a \$5 contribution, equivalent to a cup of Starbucks coffee. The hope was that if everyone gave the price of a cup of coffee, remarkable things could happen.

Menegon plans on distributing the funds collected to deserving rescues and states, “It will be a tough decision as they are all deserving, but it will be gratifying to witness how the funds can positively impact these organizations.” Menegon says, “In addition to donating to shelters, twenty-five per cent of the proceeds will be set aside for a special fund to cover adoption fees and veterinary bills. Many rescues find dogs in dire need of emergency veterinary care, and in many cases, the dog passes away, leaving the rescue with medical bills.

“The challenge's goal is to spotlight the positive impact of dog adoption and motivate more

people to welcome a shelter pet into their lives," Menegon explained. "I hope to spark a chain reaction that resonates with a wider audience by starting with celebrities and influencers." Menegon added, "We live in a social media-driven society, and if people see celebrities or athletes they admire rescue a dog, they will do the same." Menegon adds, "Having the courage and determination to address a problem and devise an innovative solution, especially when the stakes are high, is no easy feat. Millions of dogs languish in shelters, and it's crucial to focus on adoption rather than online purchasing."

"The challenge isn't just about fundraising, but about awareness and the significance of giving shelter pets a second chance. We aim to share stories of resilience, love, and happy endings resulting from dog adoption," Menegon emphasised.



The overarching goal of the Star Paws Challenge is ambitious yet heartwarming - to facilitate the adoption of 3,000 dogs and raise \$350,000, with the entire summer dedicated to achieving these milestones. Hands2Paws will provide real-time updates on donations via the Star Paws Challenge website and Instagram, fostering transparency and engagement throughout the campaign.

With the support of athletes, influencers, and celebrities, the campaign is poised to impact the dog adoption community significantly. Join the movement today and help give shelter pets a second chance at a loving forever home.

The Star Paws Challenge is set to launch on May 28th and wraps up on Labor Day and anyone that rescued a dog can participate not just celebrities.

For more details about the Star Paws Challenge and how to participate, please visit

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