

Dear Friends,

We are thrilled to announce that GPA-Centex will become an official chapter of [Greyhound Adoption League of Texas \(GALT\)](#) on April 1st, 2018, and will be known as GALT-Central Texas. ***We are proud to welcome GALT-Central Texas to the family as we believe that we can work together to more effectively achieve our mission.*** We know that you must have a lot of questions and we'll attempt to answer them in this message. If we don't answer your question(s) here, feel free to send a note to info@galtx.org with additional questions.

Why is GPA-Centex joining the GALT family?

Becoming a chapter of GALT allows GPA-Centex to benefit from GALT's extensive network and track record of successful adoptions. Both organizations will benefit from increased capacity as we access each other's network of volunteers in Dallas, Austin and Central Texas, New Mexico (and beyond). As we potentially face large numbers of greyhounds needing homes any time during the next 5 years, we believe we will be better able to meet this challenge working together.

How will this impact greyhounds in Central Texas?

GALT's official motto is "no grey turned away," and we intend to work together to extend that to the Central Texas region. GALT-Central Texas will have access to GALT's financial resources such that they will not have to "turn away" a greyhound due to lack of resources. As a GALT chapter, GALT-Central Texas will also be able to accept more sighthound mixes that show up at local shelters.

How will things change for the GPA-Centex community members, volunteers, foster families, and adoptive families?

You will see the same familiar faces, and the GPA-Centex board of directors will remain intact to operate GALT-Central Texas. GALT-Central Texas will maintain the local meet and greet schedule as is, and over time add more meet and greets as volunteer capacity expands. GALT-Central Texas will have access to and benefit from GALT's comprehensive network in Texas and nationwide. GALT has a broad volunteer base and maintains excellent levels of volunteer engagement and retention. GALT-Central Texas will benefit from GALT's expertise in this area to make volunteering with the greyhounds an even better experience for our community. Proceeds from local fundraising events will help fund the operation in Central Texas.

GPA-Central Texas will promptly begin the process of rebranding to GALT-Central Texas. The changes will take some time, however you will notice immediate changes such as the gpa-centex.org URL will be redirected to the new web address galtx-centex.org. GPA email addresses will also be redirected to the new email address xxx@galtx-centex.org. GALT-Central Texas will retain GPA-Centex's mailing address and phone numbers. **If you have an adoption application pending, nothing will change except the name on the paperwork.**

We are excited about this change and what it means for the greyhounds in Central Texas! We understand that change can be difficult, and we are here to answer any questions that you may have. Thank you for your continuing partnership to help the greyhounds.

Sincerely,

Board of Directors and Officers of Greyhound Adoption League of Texas, Inc.