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When Pigs Fly

A very lucky pig named BeBe will be taking a private flight from Chico to San Diego. BeBe, a pot-bellied pig mix was found as a stray in the City of Chico and brought to the Chico Animal Shelter. When she was not claimed, staff went to work finding an appropriate place for her.

Daniel Hanson, an Animal Care Attendant for Chico Animal Services who coordinates rescue efforts at the shelter, contacted Snorts and Tails rescue located in San Diego. "The rescue will have BeBe spayed, and already has a new home lined up for her with another pot-bellied pig, a goat and a llama," said Hanson.

Volunteers originally were prepared to drive BeBe in a relay all the way to San Diego, but Pilots N Paws stepped in to offer transport. Pilots N Paws is an organization where private pilots willing to provide free transport, and people and organizations that rescue, shelter or foster animals, can connect to save lives. The organization has 3,168 volunteer pilots and an additional 10,551 volunteers.

BeBe is tentatively scheduled to fly out of the Chico Airport on Tuesday, September 27th. The staff at the shelter will miss their unusual visitor, but they are happy she found a home and thankful that Snorts and Tails and Pilots N Paws are making it possible.

For more information, or to contact the Chico Animal Shelter call 894-5630. Visit our website at <u>www.chicoanimalshelter.org</u>, and friend us on Facebook at www.facebook.com/ChicoAnimalShelter

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