Marie Mackamul

I was lucky enough to spend most of my childhood living in amazing places around the world, and I feel like it has kept my eyes and heart open to people of all cultures. Each culture has their own way of viewing animal sheltering, caretaking and even where animals fit within their life and family. From Germany to Sudan over to North Carolina down to Mexico City then to California and on to Morocco landing back in California out to Maryland and finally back to California; I was able to observe and understand the roles animals may play in different locales, different religions, and different subcultures. I firmly believe that this plays a huge part in my longevity in the animal welfare field. This May celebrates my 22nd year!

There are few things in the animal welfare world that I haven't dabbled in, but my primary love is shelter medicine. I am currently a Medical Supervisor at the San Diego Humane Society's Oceanside Campus. I have been with SDHS for nearly 9 years and look forward to many more to come. I enjoy program generation, public speaking, writing SOPs, cultivating supportive relationships with my co-workers, big picture thinking, and of course working directly with the animals. I enjoy learning and challenging tasks. I am hyperactive and I love to include myself in committees and meetings.

About my personal life: I am obsessed with BTS and the amazing positive message they send regardless of any language barrier! My hair color changes frequently, so don't be surprised if I don't look the same the next time you see me. I am addicted to reading fiction and to watching true crime series. I also enjoy resin crafting. I have a cat named Hades Leviathan Velociraptor who will be turning 9 this July. I look forward to working with everyone in this CalAnimals Emerging Leaders program.