

## Small Dogs Rescued in Allen Parish

We received a plea for help this month, when more than a dozen small dogs were abandoned in Allen parish. It takes a lot of coordination and resources for us to get help to animals in areas of the state without animal control, unless we have active volunteers in the area. In this case, volunteer Kelly Dzwonczyk was willing to drive nine hours to pick up the pups and bring them to our animal transport facility! The traumatized dogs were very frightened and difficult to handle at first, but we're happy to report that all of the animals are transitioning, and several have already been placed in loving new homes.



## February is Spay/Neuter Awareness Month:

*One survivor's heartbreaking story tells the tragic tale of homeless animals in Louisiana*



Thanks to your generous support, we were able to save the life of sweet Lilith this month. This poor homeless puppy endured too much misery and hardship in her first short weeks of life. Because countless thousands just like her suffer and die in vain, we must keep expanding our efforts into areas of the state with no shelter, rescue or spay/neuter options. A good Samaritan witnessed poor Lilith get hit by a car that sped away in St James parish, which doesn't even have a vet clinic! We were able to arrange and pay for the puppy to get to a veterinarian in a neighboring parish, where her fractured back leg was put in a splint. The poor little pup had been apparently been starving and struggling desperately to survive; she had been forced to consume small rocks and pebbles. The rocks (shown filling her stomach in the X-ray above) had to be surgically removed to save her life. **No animal should be forced to endure this kind of misery.** With your continued help, we'll keep working hard to make sure that little ones like Lilith get the happy lives they so richly deserve. We'll also be working to stop the root causes of pet overpopulation and homelessness across Louisiana.

## Ways We'll Be Working to Fight Pet Overpopulation Around the State in 2022

*Promoting the 'Animal Friendly' license plate (and coordinating the Pet Overpopulation Advisory Council to provide funding for small spay/neuter groups.*

*Hosting community meetings in towns and parishes without animal shelters or services to push for needed funding and programs.*

*Helping TNR, rescue and shelter groups with supplies, project funding, and transports.*



More than 50 concerned citizens attended our community meeting in Livingston parish this month! We're spearheading a long overdue effort to expand animal services in the area.