

## Student Dedicates Birthday to Saving Animals

We see and hear a lot of heartbreaking things, as we work to save animals, so we're always happy to share an uplifting story like this one. A young girl named Margaret really impressed us this month. Her Mom contacted us to say that her daughter wanted more than anything to help animals in need for her 9th birthday. The New Orleans student raised \$1000 at a lemonade stand and also spent time at one of our foster homes, playing with rescued pups. What a lovely young person, who gives us such hope for the future!



## HELPING A SOLDIER SAVE HER BEST FRIEND

The Humane Society tries to go the extra mile in situations, when no other group can help. Here's one such story. Lacey is a military vet who was exposed to toxic chemicals from open burn pits. She is now terminally ill and can no longer care for her beloved dog, Monk. She had been trying unsuccessfully to get assistance from rescues and shelters with no luck; facilities everywhere are overwhelmed with animals. She was scheduled to go into the hospital a few days ago, with little confidence that she would return home. At 1 pm, on the day she was scheduled to be admitted at 3pm, Lacey reached out and tearfully begged for our help. She told us if she didn't have a place for Monk by 3pm, she would have no choice but to release him on the street. With the clock ticking, we rushed to Lacey's apartment and took custody of sweet Monk. With our own facilities and fosters at capacity, he is in private boarding, as he seeks a loving home.



*We urgently need to find a home for Monk. He is a real love bug - he just isn't fond of cats. Monk is HW negative and neutered.*



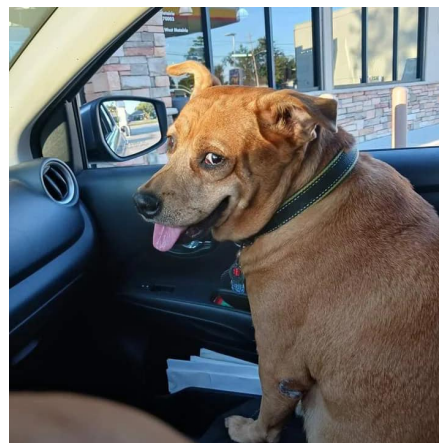
*We were happy to cover the vet bills for Charity, who was recently rescued, starving, in Baton Rouge. What a look of love in her eyes for her rescuer, Ashley!*



We are increasingly called upon by social workers to help crime victims, whose pets have been impacted by violence. One case worker called us to help Sam, (above) a beloved 13 year old dachshund. He belongs to an 80 year old carjacking victim. We made arrangements to go to the hospital, get the keys, and provide Sam with emergency food and vet care, while his Dad was recuperating in New Orleans this month.



*SPECIAL THANKS to our friends at **Bayou Beer Garden** in New Orleans for making us the beneficiary of their monthly Bingo night for rescues. **We raised \$1372 for our programs!***



Nila (left) was another recent car jacking victim in the city. Her owner's car was stolen with her in it. We held a press conference, seeking her return. Thankfully, she was recovered in the back seat of the car by police in Panama City, Florida. It was a real miracle that she was recovered!