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KITTEN SUFFERING FROM MYSTERIOUS WOUND AT TACOMA ANIMAL SHELTER

TACOMA, WA – On May 22, a two-week-old kitten arrived at the Humane Society for Tacoma & Pierce County in critical condition, suffering from a severe wound on the right side of his body.



Squeak receiving care at the shelter.

The kitten, now named Squeak, was discovered by a concerned community member in Spanaway and brought to the shelter for immediate medical attention. Upon arrival, Squeak weighed half a pound, and the gaping wound exposed his underlying muscle. The cause of Squeak's severe injury is unknown.

Time was of the essence for Squeak to prevent potentially life-threatening infection. The shelter's veterinary team administered essential nutrients and provided two rounds of ultraviolet light therapy, a treatment designed to promote the healing process. Squeak is the smallest patient to receive specialized treatment at the shelter.



Squeak receiving ultraviolet light therapy treatment.

Squeak's condition remains critical. He requires round-the-clock intensive care, including bottle feeding every two hours, assistance with urination and defecation, temperature monitoring, wound dressing, and additional ultraviolet light treatments to improve his prognosis.

Donations are urgently needed to provide ongoing care for Squeak and the thousands of other lost, injured, and neglected pets that come through the shelter's doors each year. Donations can be made at thehumanesociety.org/save-squeak.

Since the start of the year, the shelter has provided critical care for over 550 kittens and anticipates seeing hundreds more during the spring and summer. Community support is crucial to help the shelter continue providing lifesaving care to animals in need.

About the Humane Society for Tacoma & Pierce County

The Humane Society for Tacoma & Pierce County was founded by a handful of compassionate community members and has grown into one of the state's largest animal welfare agencies. Each year, we find loving homes for more than 6,000 pets, reunite over 1,100 animals with their overjoyed owners, and provide care for thousands more in our community. Additionally, we offer several comprehensive programs and resources, including Spay/Neuter & Wellness Vouchers, a monthly Vaccine & Wellness Clinic, a Pet Food & Supply Pantry, behavior advice, and private rehoming services. Learn more at thehumanesociety.org.

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