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## **NEGLECTED DOG WITH 10 POUND TUMOR FINDS HOME AFTER LIFE-SAVING SURGERY**

*Libby gets a second chance thanks to a community of supporters.*



*Libby being prepped for surgery.*

TACOMA, WA – A 5-year-old pit bull named Libby received a much-needed surgery to remove a life-threatening 10-pound tumor on her leg. Soon after, she was adopted by one of her caregivers – the veterinary technician who assisted in her care.

On Aug. 17, Libby was brought to the Humane Society for Tacoma & Pierce County as a stray with an abnormally large tumor on the bone of her upper right leg. This caused reactive inflammation that swelled her leg to the size of a volleyball and made her immobile with pain.

Hundreds of donors gave in support of Libby's extensive medical care needs. Thanks to their generous gifts and a collaboration with a team of veterinary staff at Blue Pearl, Libby's leg and tumor were amputated.

Shortly after, Libby was diagnosed with aggressive bone cancer and a shortened life expectancy.

With this news, a veterinary technician who cared for Libby during her recovery adopted her to provide love and comfort during her remaining time.

The adopter says Libby, now named Wiggles for her joyful nature, spends her days playing with her dog sibling, snuggling with her human sister, and taking couch naps wrapped in blankets.

To support more animals in need, just like Wiggles, donations can be made on the shelter's website at: [www.thehumanesociety.org/donate](http://www.thehumanesociety.org/donate)



*Libby, now named Wiggles, with her adopter.*

**About the Humane Society for Tacoma & Pierce County**

As one of the oldest animal welfare organizations in the nation, the Humane Society for Tacoma & Pierce County cares for around 10,000 animals every year and maintains multiple humane programs. Dedicated to "Making Happy Happen," the Humane Society for Tacoma & Pierce County works tirelessly to protect animals, support pet owners, and enhance relationships between animals and people. Learn more at [www.thehumanesociety.org](http://www.thehumanesociety.org).

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