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AROUND 200 CONFISCATED RABBITS ON THEIR WAY TO LOCAL ANIMAL SHELTER

TACOMA, WA – On Feb. 16, an estimated 200 rabbits are being confiscated from a Puyallup property by Pierce County Animal Control and will be brought to the Humane Society for Tacoma & Pierce County.

The rabbits vary in age and their physical condition is still being determined. The shelter's veterinary staff are currently on site assisting with the assessment of the rabbits as animal control begins the process of taking them to the shelter for care.

"This is a massive undertaking," says Dr. Jennifer Bennett, chief veterinary officer at the Humane Society for Tacoma & Pierce County. "It's one of the largest intakes our shelter has experienced. We've been working around the clock to prepare for all the care these rabbits will need and we need the community's help."

Emergency donations are urgently needed to support the shelter's lifesaving efforts for the anticipated 200 rabbits. Donations can be made on the shelter's website at: www.thehumanesociety.org/200-rabbits

Due to the shelter's limited space and resources, the community is also being asked to become a foster to provide a temporary home for the many rabbits in need. To become a rabbit foster, anyone interested can stop by the shelter on Friday, Feb. 17 during business hours to fill out an application and complete the quick onboarding process. No rabbit care experience is necessary. The shelter will provide information and supplies for caring for a foster rabbit.

The community can also sign up to become a rabbit foster on the shelter's website at: www.thehumanesociety.org/rabbit-foster.

Donated items can be brought to the shelter during Adoption Center hours Tuesday through Sunday from 11:00 a.m. – 5:30 p.m. or purchased on the shelter's Amazon wish list at: www.thehumanesociety.org/ways-to-give/donate-items.

About the Humane Society for Tacoma & Pierce County

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.

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