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### **BURNED KITTEN GETS SECOND CHANCE AT LIFE**

*A 9-week-old kitten is currently receiving care at the Humane Society for Tacoma & Pierce County for severe burns.*



*Hobbes at the shelter with bandages on his burn wounds.*

TACOMA, WA – On June 22, a 3-week-old kitten at the time was brought to the Summit Veterinary Referral Center by Tacoma Animal Control with severe burns.

Once the kitten, now called Hobbes, was in stable condition, he was transferred to the Humane Society for Tacoma & Pierce County, where he is currently receiving care.

Hobbes arrived with burns on his toes, chest, and the top of his right ear. The most severe burn wound covered his back with raw skin, crusted edges, and oozing pus.

The shelter's veterinary staff changed his bandages and applied burn cream daily for the last four weeks. They are managing his pain with medication, and avoiding infection with antibiotics. The shelter's veterinary staff recently

performed surgery to close the open wound on Hobbes' back and placed a drain to avoid infection.

Hobbes is now recovering in a foster home and will need continued medical care to properly heal and manage his pain.

Donations from the community are urgently needed to help provide essential medical care for Hobbes' recovery. Donations are being accepted during the shelter's Day of Giving matching gift event: [www.wagives.org/organization/tacomahumane](http://www.wagives.org/organization/tacomahumane). This means a donation for Hobbs will be doubled for twice the impact.

#### **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](http://www.thehumanesociety.org).

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*Hobbes in his foster home.*

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