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## 44 DOGS FROM ALLEGED ANIMAL CRUELTY INVESTIGATION TO BECOME AVAILABLE FOR ADOPTION



TACOMA, WA — On October 15, the Humane Society for Tacoma & Pierce County took in 36 adult and puppy pit bulls as the result of an ongoing animal cruelty investigation in Tacoma's backyard.

Yesterday, the 36 dogs and puppies, along with eight additional puppies who were born in the shelter's care, have been released into the care of the Humane Society for Tacoma & Pierce County by Pierce County Animal Control.

Following spay/neuter surgeries and additional standard medical care for all 44 pups, the dogs will become available for adoption. We start accepting adoption applications today.

Ranging from just a few weeks old to 5 years old, all the dogs have been friendly, loving, and sociable since

arriving at the shelter.

Any prospective adopter will have to fill out an application and will have a comprehensive background check conducted on them by Pierce County Animal Control.

If you are interested in adopting one of the dogs, please fill out an <u>application</u> and <u>background</u> <u>check authorization form</u> and email it to <u>adoptions@thehumanesociety.org</u>. This email is currently being used to process adoption applications only for these pit bulls.

Please note: All individuals aged 18 and older in your household must complete an <u>additional</u> <u>background check authorization form</u>.

To help raise the critical funds needed to care for these dogs and the thousands of other homeless pets in Pierce County, the shelter is currently hosting it's first-ever Choose Your Car Raffle with partner Larson Automotive Group. Purchase \$5 raffle tickets, and you could win \$40,000 towards a new car of your choice. 100% of ticket purchase proceeds will go directly towards helping to save the lives of homeless pets in our community.

Tickets can be purchased at the shelter at 2608 Center Street in Tacoma from 11 am to 6 pm, seven days a week. See Official Rules and all raffle ticket locations <u>here</u>.

If you're interested in learning more about the Society, its adoptable pets, programs, services, or careers, please visit <u>www.thehumanesociety.org</u>.

## About the Humane Society for Tacoma and Pierce County

One of the oldest animal welfare organizations in the nation, the Humane Society for Tacoma & Pierce County cares for nearly 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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