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HUMANE SOCIETY FOR TACOMA & PIERCE COUNTY TAKES IN 36 DOGS AND PUPPIES FROM SUSPECTED ANIMAL CRUELTY CASE

TACOMA, WA — On October 15, the Humane Society for Tacoma & Pierce County began taking in 36 dogs, including 15 puppies, from the same property as where the shelter received 48 dogs at the end of last year due to an ongoing animal cruelty investigation in Tacoma’s backyard.

Since then, the shelter has been overwhelmed by the outpouring of support and desire to help from neighbors, both near and far.

While the 36 dogs and puppies remain in the shelter’s care for the duration of the investigation, it limits our capacity and stresses our resources.

The Humane Society for Tacoma & Pierce County is an open-admission shelter. Animals aren’t turned away because of age, breed, or medical or behavioral needs. But to continue caring for our community’s homeless, abandoned, abused, and injured pets, the shelter needs your help:

- **Donate:** As an independent and locally-run non-profit, the shelter relies on your support. Medical care is our greatest cost. Please consider donating so that we can continue to care for our community’s pets in need, including these 36 dogs and puppies. Donate [here](#).
- **Adopt:** We have many loving pets waiting for homes! View a full list of our adoptable pets at thehumanesociety.org. Adoptions are first-come, first-served. No appointment is necessary. We are open every day from 11 a.m. – 6 p.m. Please note, for the safety of our staff and community, you will be greeted outside of our main shelter entrance. All visitors must wear a face mask. You may be asked to wait in your vehicle. Fall in love [here](#).
- **Choose Your Car Raffle:** The shelter is currently hosting its first-ever 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 help the shelter care for nearly 10,000 pets each year. Tickets can be purchased at the shelter or any Larson Automotive Group dealership. See Official Rules and raffle ticket locations [here](#).

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

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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