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### **COMMUNITY SUPPORT COMES THROUGH TO FUND NEW X-RAY MACHINE**

TACOMA, WA — We asked and you answered. When a vital piece of equipment was failing, the Humane Society for Tacoma & Pierce County sought donations to purchase and install a brand-new X-ray machine. This unbudgeted expense of nearly \$40,000 was needed to help detect broken bones, illnesses like pneumonia and diseases like cancer in every animal that comes through our doors.

“The importance of this machine to our work at the Society can not be understated,” Dr. Lauren Henderson, Head Veterinarian, said. “Our old machine was breaking down and this new machine not only features better technology, but the ability to take clearer X-rays and use it for animals of all sizes. With this new machine that was generously funded by our community, we will be able to better serve injured pets of all species in our care.”

Our goal was topped in less than 72 hours, and the machine is already installed and doing its critical work of helping thousands of homeless pets, who will benefit from your generosity for years to come.

“The generosity of our community never ceases to amaze me,” Ashley Taulbee, Director of Development and Marketing, said. “We do not take this generosity for granted. It is very much appreciated by everyone at the Society, including – and most importantly – the thousands of pets that pass through our doors every year.”

If you’re interested in learning more about the Society, its adoptable pets, programs, services, or careers, please visit [www.thehumanesociety.org](http://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](http://www.thehumanesociety.org).

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