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THREE DOGS FOUND STARVING AND NEGLECTED AT TACOMA HOME



TACOMA, WA – On July 15, 2021, Tacoma Animal Control responded to a concern from a Good Samaritan regarding the welfare of three dogs. Tacoma Animal Control officers found three extremely emaciated dogs at the property.

The 3-year-old dogs, Scooby, Max, and Winston, were rehomed after their owner was placed in a long-term care facility, and the person left in charge was not able to properly care for them due to mental limitations.

Scooby, Max, and Winston were brought to the Humane Society for Tacoma & Pierce County, where they are currently receiving medical care. All three dogs have significant hair loss, skin infections, parasites, and toenails that have grown so long it is painful to walk.

"These dogs are extremely emaciated, so we are focusing on helping them gain weight and getting them the nutrition they need," said the Humane Society for Tacoma & Pierce County's Veterinarian Dr. Lauren Henderson. "It will be about a six-week minimum process to get them back to a healthy weight."

They arrived scared and fearful, and their current condition is fragile. Shelter staff and volunteers are working to gain their trust.

Donations from the community are urgently needed to help provide ongoing medical care for the three dogs. Donations are being accepted on the shelter's website: <https://www.thehumanesociety.org/3-neglected-dogs/>



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 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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