

**Gala**



**Hooch Lives!**

**Extreme Medical Cases Wipe Out OUR Budget!!  
Breeder Market Crash...Hundreds of Dogs Dumped!**



**Look Who's At The Pound Now! Dog Breeder PANDEMIC!**



Pounds all over are being inundated with pure-bred dogs dumped by breeders. Many "high dollar designer dogs" are being dumped on country roads. **Poodles, Doodles, Bernie Doodles, Schnauzers, Golden Retrievers, Dachshunds, Shar Peis, French Bulldogs,** and more are now being dumped. Everyone stayed home to avoid COVID. Everyone received a series of checks from the government. Small businesses (like dog breeders) received Payroll Protection Plan and other checks to stay in business. Then, BOOM sales of pure-bred dogs went wild, and the prices went crazy. **Puppies suddenly brought \$800 to \$2,000 or more apiece,** and everyone started breeding dogs. Everything went well until 2023, when we started seeing more and more pure-bred dogs in pounds. Next came calls from breeders trying to get rid of sick, injured, and unsold puppies. In 2024, there is now a Pandemic of unwanted pure-bred dogs as breeders go out of business.

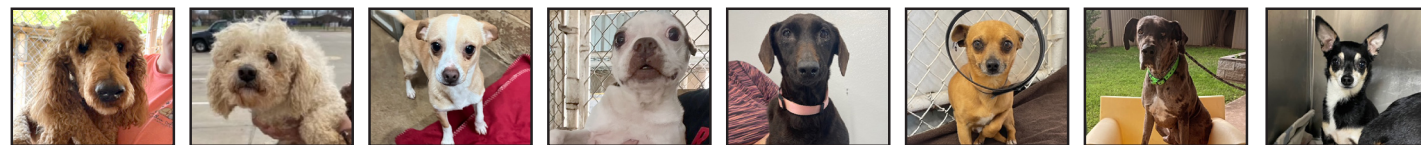
**Breeder Dumps BOTH Dogs and Wife....**

One guy decided to make a fortune in his back yard and started raising Australian Shepherds. His young wife soon called us for help. He walked off, and left her with nearly **20 beautiful dogs he could not sell and NO dog food.** We took all of them (except the wife!) and rapidly placed them in new homes.



**Heartworm Pandemic Attacks Our Medical Budget!**

Here are a few of our recent heartworm cases. Including all needed vet work, our cost averages \$600 each.



**Rescue the Animals, SPCA**



**SUMMER TSUNAMI WIPES OUT OUR BUDGET!**

Every summer is a disaster in the animal rescue game, but this summer a new disaster is hitting at the same time, bringing thousands more animals into the homeless population. After being pumped up by people working from home and big government spending, the Pet Breeding Industry is crashing! Pounds are being flooded with pure-bred dogs as breeders go out of business. Read more on page 2 about our work to save these animals and stop industrial breeding.

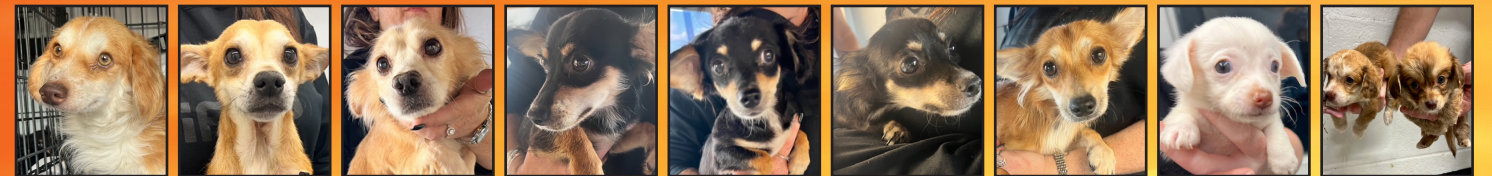
**Rising Costs Have Flipped our Surfboard, But We are Still Road Running and Flying High!** Big flights with Dog as My Copilot to the Rocky Mountain region and vans scooting from Maine to Arizona are moving animals to new homes all over. Recent trips include Colorado, Illinois, New Hampshire, North Carolina, Arizona, Louisiana, Massachusetts, Wisconsin, Alabama, Indiana, Montana, and Missouri.

While most of the animals we handle need only minimal vet work, others seem to have an endless list of problems. Our total expense is noted after some animals to show how expensive "repair" work really is!

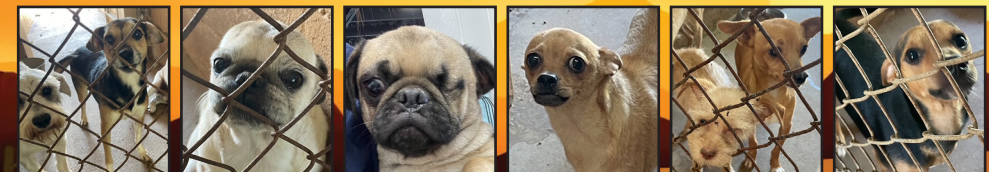
**Your financial support is all that keeps us going! We do not receive any money from national humane groups or local government! We hope you can help today...**

**Over 70 Dogs in One House in Arizona! More in New Mexico!**

Our Pets On the Go Network reaching 45 states and Canada makes it possible for us to help folks in lots of places. Our coordinator in Arizona drove dogs from a hoarding case to Abilene. There were over **70 dogs in one house with 50 to 150 ticks per dog!** Two of the residents sat on the floor every day removing ticks! Their medical work may take some time....



**An Enchanted Hoarding in New Mexico Brought 15 more Dogs.  
They Left for Montana by Car Within 48 Hours!**





### Hey, We Know These Puppies!

Weird does not describe this dumping case. We found a Rubbermaid tote under an overpass about one block from our Center with the lid on tight and 6 puppies inside! When we posted the puppies on Facebook, an employee with All Kind called and said a lady had brought those same puppies to their place. They gave the puppies shots, and the lady left with them. Then they were dumped near our place!

A few days later, a lady from south Abilene called to tell us about a **puppy tied up in a bag on a vacant lot**. Now safe, little **Twix** will be off to Wisconsin.

### Homebuyers Bonus?

Surprise, 9 Dachshund puppies were left romping around the house when the folks moved out. The new owners called us, and it's puppy time in Montana now!



### Horrible Abscess! Terrible Pain! \$452.00

We can't show you Mufasa's arrival picture with a huge leg abscess and lots of blood. We thought he would lose his leg, but Dr. Bolt brought him through the abscess and an ear infection. Now he is off to Canada with **Tina** and **Tulip**.



### Dallas Shelter SOS.... \$429

Another dog no one else would take! Cha Cha has serious problems with her back legs that can't be fixed by surgery. We have her on monthly injections for pain that she will have to keep taking. She is in foster care and doing very well.



## We Invest Thousands of Dollars Closing a Really BIG Breeding Operation!

Everyone knows there are thousands and thousands of animals bred for sale every year. We also know that many are held in horrible facilities and given little or no attention and medical care. Also, poor breeding often leads to genetic defects that can't be corrected. BUT, what does it take to put even one of these terrible operations out of business?

For almost two years we have participated in a group effort attempting to stop just one large breeding operation in an adjoining state that was **producing several thousand puppies a year**. None of the groups involved or the breeder name will be used because there are middlemen involved who are still working on other cases.



First, we were asked to take several pure-bred dogs that had serious medical problems. Over time we took over 70 beautiful dogs and puppies that were about to be dumped because of health problems. We did not know that they all came from the same operation until someone asked us to build a file of medical records on the dogs to prove that they were seriously neglected.



These records were compiled by Dr. Allen Bolt and turned over to the middlemen we were working with. Repeated requests for on-site inspections of the facility **yielded no action from the regulatory folks involved**. We kept taking more and more dogs and puppies, treating them, and sending them on to new homes in our Pets On the Go Network.



Our vet bills rose rapidly on these animals with a total expenditure of more than \$15,000 in medical work over nearly two years. Finally, this summer a coalition of humane groups hauled off all but about 200 of the dogs. These were then seized by the court and sent to more rescue groups.



This is why massive breeding operations continue to operate. Few if any groups have the money and time to pursue such a long procedure. Our costs did not include legal fees paid by other groups.

### \$500 Reward to Identify Who Dumped These Puppies...

On Sunday night, July 28, a mom and three puppies were dumped near the West Boat ramp at Lake Fort Phantom.

Mom is the black dog in the middle.

The vehicle appeared to be an older model red Suburban.



### Three-Legged Apple of Our Eye? \$947

GALA (named for a popular apple?) had a broken back leg at the Abilene Animal Shelter. We took her directly into surgery, and her back leg had to be removed before she was off to Montana.



### Little Dog, Huge Hernia! \$938.00

Heidi had one of the worst hernias we have seen, and needed dental surgery and extractions. Long neglected, she is slowly improving.



### Hold It, Hold It, Hold It... \$682.00

After eleven years with the same family, **Lucy** peed on the carpet in their new apartment. Poor Lucy was taken straight to the Abilene Animal Shelter! She should have been sent to the vet! She had heartworms and bad teeth.



### My Backend is Really Dragging! Over \$1,000

Poor **Hooch** was dumped at a small town pound with severe rectal prolapse, mange, and skin infections. He had been neglected for a long time, and after surgery, his recovery was slow. Repeated tests and monitoring led to a huge medical bill.



### Tiny Kitten Dumped on County Road

Little **Rocky**'s front paws looked like someone had chewed on them. Lots of cleaning and medications are slowly controlling the staph infection. He now looks like a severe burn victim, but continues to improve.

