

Financial hardship bites pure breeds

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DoggieRescue has been over-whelmed at the community support that has rallied behind it recently. *"I have been blown away by the generosity and the support enabling us to continue our work."* says Monika, founder of DoggieRescue.

"We have wasted no time saving as many dogs as we can from death row at council pounds. I have noticed the financial hardship is starting to bite the pets too. Yesterday we received 3 dogs surrendered from one family. Families who can least afford multiple dogs have many. Two of them are pure bred Dachshunds. It is so sad. At 7 years of age, Jiggey and Max are left homeless after giving a lifetime of devotion to their masters. They are callously tossed out as unwanted items."

"Last week we got a blind pure bred Boston Terrier from the pound – a breed that is rare in rescue circles. How can a blind dog find its way to the pound? We have just taken her to the eye specialist." He stated *"She has more than likely been used for breeding and once they found she had cataracts, she has been tipped out"*. He has given her a good prognosis to have cataract surgery to restore her vision. Cataract surgery in both eyes is normally around \$4,500 and whilst the vets are discounting this for us it is still a costly exercise for DoggieRescue. *"I just cannot with a conscience leave her in this state,"* We nick-named her "Phantom" as she reminds us so much of the mask from *Phantom of the Opera*. We are keeping our paws crossed that the surgery is successful. To help Phantom regain her sight, call DoggieRescue on 9486 3133 or visit www.DoggieRescue.com.au.

Background

DoggieRescue.com is a registered charity with tax deductibility status. It receives no government funding and has a strict No Kill philosophy. It relies heavily on volunteers for all operational aspects. To date DoggieRescue has saved more than 8,500 dogs from death row from council pounds around Sydney. DoggieRescue currently has a shelter at Ingleside as well as many dogs in foster care throughout Sydney. It has recently launched its Life Saver program enabling dog lovers to support the cost of one dog at the shelter on a monthly basis.

Photos of *Phantom, Jiggey and Max* are available upon request.

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