

Lifesaving Protocol
For Urgent Pets 2
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What we talked about yesterday

1. -How to get to a 90% raw live release rate for any shelter or rescue
2. -Save more lives without increasing length of stay or being overcrowded
3. -Make standardized decisions around life and death for dogs at risk for behavior
4. -How to give most every dog a fair chance at a live outcome
5. -The crucial role of volunteers and fosters



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Who we are



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What the critics say

1. Shelters are 'warehousing' dogs
2. 'Marginal' dogs should not be considered for placement
3. Adopters are unprepared to take home challenging dogs
4. Shelters aren't transparent about dogs' histories
5. Shelters and rescues don't follow up or track data about the dogs over time
6. Community safety is at odds with lifesaving



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We agree on a lot of things!

We need to:

- Move faster
- Recognize some dogs aren't safe to place
- Build better support networks
- Tell adopters everything we know
- Follow up on foster and adoption placements
- Track data on bites and long term outcomes



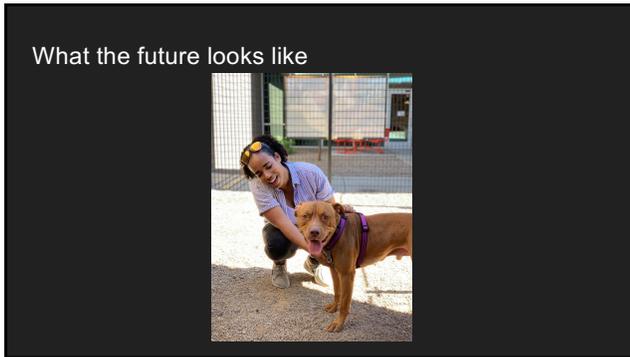
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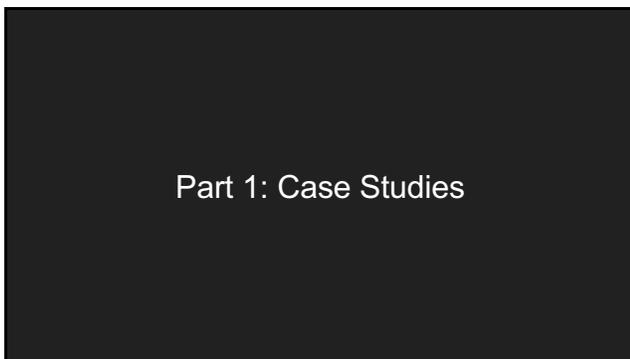
Option #1
Euthanize
more dogs

Option #2
Help shelters
do their jobs
better

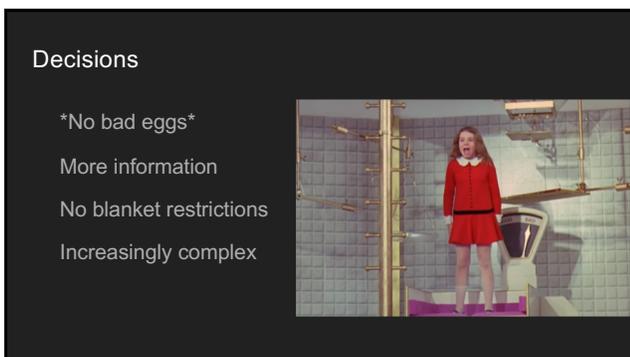
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Trigger



- Owner was arrested
- Officers needed catch pole
- Barrier reactive in shelter
- Goofy lapdog with the zoomies
- Lazy office dog

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Kallie

Leash reactive - Redirecting

Stated to be animal aggressive due to fight at a dog park

Loves playing fetch

Introduced successfully to dogs of all sizes in shelter and in foster



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Stormy



- Behavioral decline
- Injuring self in kennel
- Bit a volunteer in the shelter
- Loves spooning with his foster mom
- Favorite playmate: the foster family's cat

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Optimo

- Barrier reactive
- Snapping at public
- Playgroup rockstar
- Enjoys hiking and meeting new dogs
- Volunteer favorite



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Kuyo

- Leash reactive
- Long stay - Disconnected from people
- Playgroup rockstar
- Loves car rides and enjoying restaurant patios

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Kenai

- Killed a cat and a puppy
- Reactive on leash - unresponsive to handler direction
- Lived with another large dog
- Reported to be great with kids in the home



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What's the takeaway?

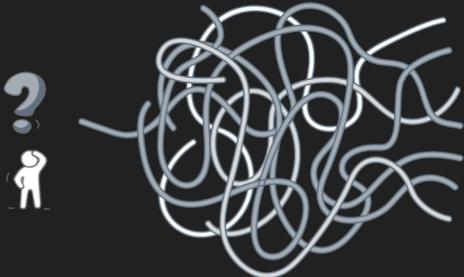


As shelters build counseling based intake procedures and spend more time getting information, more dogs will have some negative information in their records. We need better protocols for these dogs.

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Part II. Managing challenging dogs

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Deadline Alerts

- Email to rescue partners
 - Marketing
 - Automated
- Email to volunteers who opt-in
 - All notes
 - Transparent
- Networking through volunteers
 - Pledges for training/medical
 - Foster offers
 - Rescue pleas
 - Transportation support



Name: Baschus
Animal ID: 6479180
Age: 3yrs
Sex: Neutered Male
About: Baschus is a smart guy... per his previous owner he is crate trained, doggie door trained & loves riding in the car. Though he did live with other dogs in the home and generally did well there were some conflicts between them. Unfortunately, with this owner's dogging & conflict with one of the other dogs in the home Baschus bit the owner. **Baschus will need placement by 10/29 at 6pm**

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Euthanasia Notification

Immediate euthanasia - no notification

72 hour notice to volunteers - opportunity to be present

This is a 72 hour notice for Leon, currently in kennel D139. He has not been available, but has been on the floor.

He will be euthanized on Friday 10/11/19.

A brief recap of notes: he was one of three dogs that broke out a window and killed a Chihuahua in one instance, and in another he escaped yard solo and 'tried pulling a pit bull out of its yard through the fence.'

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Continuous Improvement and Communication



- Request feedback and listen
- Empower volunteers to create solutions
- Answer questions quickly
- Be honest about your limitations and concerns
- You NEED people fighting to save lives! Help them to make an impact

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Resources:

- PACC documents
 - Behavior standing orders
 - Long Stay Task Force
 - Rounds
 - Live Release Checklist
- Whiteboard information
- Lifesaving protocol blog
- Five ways to move dogs faster



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Part 3: Q and A

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