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BARCS ANNOUNCES NEW FUND TO HELP THE MOST NEEDY ANIMALS

BALTIMORE -- The Baltimore Animal Rescue & Care Shelter (BARCS) has created a new fund to help the area's most disadvantaged animals. Each year, BARCS receives hundreds of animals that are seriously sick or injured and in need of immediate medical attention. Unfortunately, BARCS alone does not have the funding for expensive, specialized treatment of these homeless pets. Without donations to support their lifesaving care, sadly many of these animals are humanely euthanized so that they don't suffer – dogs and cats that would otherwise be wonderful pets.

With donations from the public, the **BARCS Fund for Sick & Injured Animals** can provide the medical treatment necessary to treat these unfortunate homeless animals. Finally – with help from your donations – we can work to give these innocent pets another chance at life!

The Fund in Action

Franky, a sweet puppy was just 4 months old when his owner deliberately threw him from a second-story building. The pup was found in a trash can, dehydrated, in shock, and with a fractured pelvis. Thanks to the BARCS Fund for Sick & Injured Animals, Franky was able to receive the medical care and rehabilitation he so needed and is now recovered and living happily with his new family.

With charitable work from a local vet, along with a few donations, BARCS was able to help cover the costs of Franky's initial treatment and repair his fractured pelvis. Sadly, this is not always the case. We all too often can't find anyone to help with the urgent medical costs to save a dog or cat's life. That is why BARCS has created the Fund for Sick and Injured Animals to prevent this. Now when a critically sick animal comes into our shelter, we will have the funding in place so we can spring into action at a moment's notice.

Franky inspired us to create the fund, but now BARCS needs the urgent help of the public to aid a lab-mix named Singe, who arrived at the shelter just this week, badly burnt. It's a critical situation in need of immediate attention. Please help us help Singe and the rest of the neediest animals – today! We have set up a special account for online donations and as always, checks and money orders are also accepted. To donate, please call 410-396-4695 or visit our website at www.baltimoreanimalshelter.org.

Read more about adorable Franky and his story, along with other animals who have been helped by the new Fund on BARCS website. Click on the new Fund link on the right-hand side of the Home Page for details.

The Baltimore Animal Rescue and Care Shelter, Inc. (BARCS), is a non-profit organization created in 2005. We work in conjunction with the Baltimore City Bureau of Animal Control. Together our mission is to protect animals from neglect, abuse and exploitation, to advocate their interests and welfare, and to inspire awareness and compassion for all living things.

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