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**Come to our house to give a pet a new home!**

**From:** Adkins, Heather

**Sent:** Sunday, September 15, 2013 1:58 PM

**To:** Ward, Kim N.

**Subject:** Question

Hey girl!

So, I took my first foster dog home last week (or week before, time's running together). She's an AMAZING pit bull named Sadie with a bum front leg. She loves people, dogs, and she even loves cats! I think someone out there will definitely want this girl.

Now, my question is about her leg. She was injured months ago and we issued a vet notice on her February, which was never complied with, and so according to Doc C's notes she has atrophied muscles and it probably needs amputation. She doesn't use the leg (actually, she trips over it half the time), and the bones in her shoulder are out of place and slightly concave.

I know my rights as a foster are limited. Who would I see about getting permission to take Sadie to my vet? I'd like to see if she agrees the leg needs to be amputated (which I'm sure she will) and how much that surgery would cost. I'd love to raise money for her surgery and get that leg taken care of, but I know that may not even be a possibility from an MAS legal standpoint.

Also my second question, could I actively seek an adopter or rescue for her? Or would any rescue have to go through Amanda?

Please forgive all my newbie questions. I know you're busy, so no rush. We're having a ball with her :)

Heather

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**From:** Adkins, Heather  
**Sent:** Monday, September 16, 2013 10:43 AM  
**To:** Ward, Kim N.  
**Subject:** RE: Question

Awesome! I figured it would need to be run by upper management, but you're my go-to girl for questions LOL (sorry)

Okay, I'll talk to Doc C about her today and go from there. That seems a good starting point!

Also, I took home five kittens this weekend who were marked for ET for time and space. Three of them are absolutely adorable and big enough for adoption, and the other two aren't far behind. I'll hang on to them as long as it takes for you guys to have space for them. I know I can't save everybody, but I want to save the ones I can :) A couple of them are big enough for surgery already, I don't know if we want to go ahead and do it then they can recuperate and hang out at my house til you guys have room, or whatever.

Thanks!

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**From:** Ward, Kim N.  
**Sent:** Sunday, September 15, 2013 5:09 PM  
**To:** Adkins, Heather  
**Subject:** RE: Question

Hey Heather!

I'm glad Sadie is doing well, but yeah that leg probably needs to get taken off. Unless you have a specific reason to take her to your vet, I would take her to Manslick and let them make the call. It would be up to you to take care of the costs if you took her to your vet so I would see if Metro will do it first so you don't have to pay. It doesn't seem to me to be a legal concern as far as raising money, BUT that's something we need to confirm with upper management. Basically, what I'm saying is that all of this needs to go through Margaret or Donald!

You are more than welcome to pursue any adopters or rescues. If it's a rescue, it just has to go through Amanda Crook and if it's an adopter, they just have to go through the regular adoption process (application, etc.). Hopefully that helps, I hope we can take care of that leg soon!

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**From:** Ward, Kim N.  
**Sent:** Sunday, September 29, 2013 1:18 PM  
**To:** Adkins, Heather  
**Subject:** RE: foster surgery

Okay great, she's cool with it. AND!!!! We are getting somewhere with Sadie's leg amputation. Don't spend your money on it yet. I think we can justify this from a PR standpoint and use a donation someone gave us to help with the cost. I'll get back to you when I have a better idea, but I think we will be able to get it done with us. Thanks!



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**From:** Adkins, Heather  
**Sent:** Sunday, September 29, 2013 7:41 AM  
**To:** Ward, Kim N.  
**Subject:** RE: foster surgery

10/11 should be fine! Just let me know if Tab says absolutely not on all seven LOL. Several of them are girls, so I know that's a little longer on the table.

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**From:** Ward, Kim N.  
**Sent:** Saturday, September 28, 2013 9:58 AM  
**To:** Adkins, Heather  
**Subject:** RE: pickup 9/28

**From:** Ward, Kim N.  
**Sent:** Monday, October 14, 2013 2:21 PM  
**To:** Adkins, Heather  
**Subject:** RE: Sadie stuff

I have 3 openings on the 18<sup>th</sup>, I can probably push it to 4 if you need! Just let me know. Thanks in advance for the Sadie stuff, I think Margaret is going to push this story and so it'll probably be pretty big. Get some pictures with you and her too!



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**From:** Adkins, Heather  
**Sent:** Monday, October 14, 2013 2:18 PM  
**To:** Ward, Kim N.  
**Subject:** RE: Sadie stuff

Yep sure can :) Sadie's easy LOL. It's the kittens giving me fits. The lesson I need to learn is that anytime I take home more than two in a litter, we always have an outbreak of sniffles.

When is the surgery opening this week if it's still available? If even one seems completely non-congested, I'm bringing 'em in!!

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**From:** Ward, Kim N.  
**Sent:** Monday, October 14, 2013 2:08 PM  
**To:** Adkins, Heather  
**Subject:** Sadie stuff

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Hey Heather,

I know your house is crazy right now but can you get some videos or pictures of Sadie and the leg? If it's easier, you can always swing her by Animal House and we can do the recording. Thanks!

**From:** Oerther, Alisa  
**Sent:** Tuesday, November 05, 2013 10:45 AM  
**To:** Adkins, Heather  
**Subject:** RE:

Awesome, for Thursday or Fri.

For Sadie's surgery I know we got in the tools in. We are just trying to schedule a time the Vet can come in. I will let you know asap! Please take some before pics for us! Thanks for all you do!

Alisa Oerther  
Community Engagement Supervisor  
Louisville Metro Animal Services  
502-574-5556

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**From:** Adkins, Heather  
**Sent:** Tuesday, November 05, 2013 10:27 AM  
**To:** Oerther, Alisa  
**Subject:**

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I got your message! Thank you!! I have three little fosters to bring in for shots on my off days this week (either Thurs or Fri) and AH is closer to me than Manslick, so I'll fill out the paperwork and pay then :)

Any word on Sadie's surgery? We're fighting a battle with her on keeping her from chewing on the bad paw. She's living in bandages and an E Collar LOL

**From:** Brosko, Margaret A  
**Sent:** Wednesday, November 13, 2013 4:40 PM  
**To:** Adkins, Heather; Gray, Tabitha L  
**Subject:** RE: vet info

Thanks Heather.

Margaret Brosko  
Senior Manager Special Initiatives & Communications  
Louisville Metro Animal Services



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**From:** Adkins, Heather  
**Sent:** Wednesday, November 13, 2013 4:37 PM  
**To:** Brosko, Margaret A; Gray, Tabitha L  
**Subject:** vet info

I wanted to send you my vet's name and number, because I'm pretty sure when she quoted \$575, that covers everything including equipment, pain meds, board, etc, so we wouldn't be responsible for any extra costs or ordering anything extra for the surgery. If you wanted to open conversation with her about it. :)

Dr. Stephanie Pollett  
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Adkins email 10+26

1 entry under @gray  
email 7R

**From:** Brosko, Margaret A  
**Sent:** Saturday, November 16, 2013 1:41 PM  
**To:** Adkins, Heather; Gray, Tabitha L  
**Subject:** Re: Sadie

Soon.

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**From:** Adkins, Heather  
**Sent:** Saturday, November 16, 2013 11:45 AM  
**To:** Brosko, Margaret A; Gray, Tabitha L  
**Subject:** Sadie

Any decision on her amputation yet? My vet is willing to do it ASAP, and if I need to cover some of the surgery costs to get this done, I will happily do it. I came home yesterday to her having broken through her e-collar and chewed on her paw again—a bloody, gross mess. This arm needs to go :(

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**From:** Adkins, Heather  
**Sent:** Saturday, December 14, 2013 10:21 AM  
**To:** Ward, Kim N.  
**Subject:** RE: Kitten Surgery 12/18

Disappointed wasn't quite the word. Livid, maybe. Ready to walk out and leave, yes. I took this job as an in for adoptions. Apparently I shouldn't have worked so hard to be good at this job. I needed the raise in a horrible way. I bought my house in February on my previous salary, and then took this job with a 1.50 payout, so for the past eight months, I'm BARELY making my mortgage every month. Not to mention I want animal hours because my ultimate goal is to be a zookeeper. There were so many reasons I needed adoptions, and Donald just cut me off at the knees. And he's seriously saying he wants me to stay here and make this my career.

Uh. No.

Anyway, Disney was amazing. It was only my husband's second trip ever, so all the rides he got to ride that he'd never before was so cool. We spent a lot of time at Epcot because it's our favorite. We sooo didn't want to come back. I've had a hard time getting back into the groove of things.

I've got Sadie pics and videos. I'll try to run them by one day this week. WE NEED A SURGERY DATE!!! My vet offered to do the surgery for \$545, including boarding her after, pain meds, surgery at her own facility with her own equipment, *everything*, and neither Margaret nor Tabitha has responded about that. We're fighting a losing battle with her chewing on her paw. She's broken through two e-collars, and we have to keep her paw bandaged because she rips through the bandages and chews on the paw. She's literally chewed off three fingernails and the edge of her foot. That leg has got to go.

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**From:** Ward, Kim N.  
**Sent:** Friday, December 13, 2013 4:31 PM  
**To:** Adkins, Heather  
**Subject:** RE: Kitten Surgery 12/18

Oh sad...I've had my share of sickly kittens that just fail to thrive, no matter what. I hate HATE seeing that though because you can see every ounce of them trying to get better and it's just so awful.

Sad kitten passing aside...I hope you had fun on vacation though! I love Disneyworld, used to work there. Magicaaa!!!!!! I also heard about the job... I'm sorry you didn't get it over here, I'm sure they appreciate you taking one for the team but man, I would be a little disappointed. You'd do great over here though so I'm sure you'll get over here soon enough. If anything, you can have my spot when I leave next year haha!

Also—SADIE PICTURES AND VIDEOS! Thanks bye ☺

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**From:** Adkins, Heather  
**Sent:** Sunday, December 15, 2013 7:31 AM  
**To:** Ward, Kim N.  
**Subject:** RE: Kitten Surgery 12/18

I've emailed Margaret twice before about her chewing on that paw, trying to get her to understand it's kind of an emergency that we get it done. We don't need equipment if my vet does the surgery!!! She'd cover everything under that single cost. Not mad at you, just irritated with the higher-ups.

I did talk to Sherry. Unfortunately adoptions isn't union, so they don't have to give it to me. They can hire anybody off the street over me. It is what it is. The only thing I think Donald doesn't realize is in doing this to me, he pretty much lost the only ally he had here.

Disney + Christmas = INSANELY MAGICAL. It was my first time seeing it during Christmas :)

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**From:** Ward, Kim N.  
**Sent:** Saturday, December 14, 2013 5:21 PM  
**To:** Adkins, Heather  
**Subject:** RE: Kitten Surgery 12/18

I was pretty shocked when I heard that, I don't know how I would have responded. I'm honestly surprised they can even prevent you from coming over here. I would feel inclined to have some words with a union representative. That paycut is huge, I honestly don't know what to say other than that totally sucks but hopefully they will give you the position next time one opens...

Epcot is my favorite too! So underrated, but I love the different countries and during Christmas, AHHH it's so awesome! I love the lights.

I asked about the surgery date and Alisa said she is trying to get an answer from Margaret... it's becoming a pain, I know. Apparently the equipment never showed up or never got ordered or something else weird like that. All that to say, I'm definitely going to start pushing it actively, I had no idea it was so bad and that she was self-mutilating... That's becoming an issue of neglect on our part, as far as I'm concerned...

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**From:** Brosko, Margaret A  
**Sent:** Tuesday, December 17, 2013 10:43 AM  
**To:** Adkins, Heather  
**Subject:** RE: follow-up

We can make the donation to our SPOT board and they can pay for the surgery.  
Let me double check and make sure they approve.  
Thanks,

Margaret Brosko  
Senior Manager Special Initiatives & Communications  
Louisville Metro Animal Services



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**From:** Adkins, Heather  
**Sent:** Tuesday, December 17, 2013 10:12 AM  
**To:** Brosko, Margaret A  
**Subject:** RE: follow-up

Before Kim told me about the Pit Bull donation, my original goal was to do an email/facebook campaign to my family and friends asking for donations to MAS towards Sadie's surgery. Am I allowed to do that? My vet is so willing to do the surgery that she would do it the day we asked her to. She's a big bully dog advocate and used to work with rescues and shelters before she opened her practice. I would happily raise the money for Sadie. She's an amazing dog, and she's SO miserable living in an E-Collar.

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**From:** Brosko, Margaret A  
**Sent:** Tuesday, December 17, 2013 9:00 AM  
**To:** Adkins, Heather  
**Subject:** follow-up

Hi Heather,  
Dr. Mika has not returned any of our calls about the leg amputation.

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The donation money is immediately processed so now our option is to wait for another donation and see if someone is willing to fund the surgery.

I can also ask our SPOT board to help.

I will continue to think of other options and keep you updated. Sorry.

How is she doing?

Margaret Brosko

Senior Manager Special Initiatives & Communications

Louisville Metro Animal Services



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M Brosko

This is the email she sent me to finally give me permission to raise the surgery money on my own and have our vet do the surgery, all through SPOT board. As you can see through previous emails, my vet offered to do the surgery back in September, but we were told about the pit bull donation instead, and that Margaret wanted to use Sadie as a PR standpoint. It took three months to get this permission, and it was given by phone.

-----Original Message-----

From: Adkins, Heather

Sent: Saturday, December 21, 2013 10:11 AM

To: Brosko, Margaret A

Subject: RE: Please give me a call on my cell. Thanks.

Hey, I don't work on Fridays so I just got this message. Don't want to bother you on the weekend, so if you still needed to speak with me, I'll give you a call.

-----Original Message-----

From: Brosko, Margaret A

Sent: Friday, December 20, 2013 2:33 PM

To: Adkins, Heather

Subject: Please give me a call on my cell. Thanks.

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**Receipt Date: Saturday, February 22, 2014**

**Receipt Number: R14-004400**

Person Information: JUDY SAMPSON

**PID: P033465**

Received From: JUDY SAMPSON

Check No:

Phone: (502)

Item:	Animal ID:	Reference No:	Price:	Each:	Amount:
DONATION SPOT		SADIE'S SURG	\$10.00	1	\$10.00

**Total Fees Due: \$10.00**

**Payments:** Cash: \$0.00  
Check: \$10.00  
Credit Card: \$0.00

**Total Payments Received: \$10.00**

**Thank You!**

Change: \$0.00  
Balance Due: \$0.00

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Adoptions, Business Office and Animal Care Hours call 361-1318

Clerk: hadkins

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Transaction Date: 02/22/14

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Receipt Date: Tuesday, February 25, 2014

Receipt Number: R14-004735

Person Information: ANN HUNTER

PID: P276886

Received From: ANN HUNTER

Check No:

Phone: (502)

Item:	Animal ID:	Reference No:	Price:	Each:	Amount:
DONATION SPOT		SADIE FOR H.	\$50.00	1	\$50.00

Total Fees Due: **\$50.00**

Payments: Cash: \$0.00  
Check: \$0.00  
Credit Card: \$50.00

Total Payments Received: **\$50.00**

**Thank You!**

Change: \$0.00  
Balance Due: \$0.00

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