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Wayside Waifs Saves Dogs from Puerto Rico Shelter Hit by Hurricane Fiona

KANSAS CITY, Missouri – Today, Monday, October 10, 2022, Wayside Waifs will save 28 dogs from the aftermath of Hurricane Fiona in Puerto Rico. These dogs represent a variety of ages, spanning from 8 years old to 11 weeks old, and breeds, including Labradors, Pit Bulls, and Shepherds.

Wayside is working with The SATO Project and Wings of Rescue to transport the 28 homeless dogs by airplane to Wayside today – The SATO Project is funding the transfer and Wings of Rescue is flying the plane. The dogs will arrive at the airport approximately 5-6 pm, CDT, Advanced Jet Center (5 Aero Plaza, New Century, KS 66031). Wayside's Rescue & Response Team will meet Wings of Rescue in a reserved hanger to aid in the transfer. That way the dogs can be transferred from their current carriers to one of Wayside's carries. The animals and rescue team should arrive back to Wayside on 10/10/22, between 7-8 pm.

Please note, the dogs on this transfer won't be made available for adoption until they are medically and behaviorally evaluated, have been spayed or neutered, are up-to-date on vaccinations, and have a microchip. Four of the dogs will need further medical care to treat heartworms, hookworms, and cherry eyes. Visit Wayside's website at <u>WaysideWaifs.org</u> to see all available animals.

WHO: Wayside Waifs

WHAT: Wayside Takes 28 Dogs

WHEN: The animals will arrive today, 10/10/22, at:

- Advanced Jet Center (5 Aero Plaza, New Century, KS 66031) approximately 5-6 pm
- Wayside Waifs (3901 Martha Truman Rd Kansas City, MO 64137) approximately 7-8 pm
- I will update you on the ETA as soon as I know more

WHERE: Wayside Waifs (3901 Martha Truman Rd Kansas City, MO 64137)

<u>WHY:</u> The Puerto Rico Shelter was hit by Hurricane Fiona and experienced major damage and flooding. The dogs are being flown to Kansas City and brought to Wayside Waifs where they will receive the second chance they deserve.

About Wayside Waifs

As Kansas City's largest and most comprehensive no kill pet adoption campus, Wayside Waifs prepares pets and people for the bond of their lives. Typically the organization cares for more than 6,000 animals. Wayside is a private, independent, nonprofit 501(c)(3) charity. It receives no government funding and is supported entirely by private donations and grants. To see all of the animals available for adoptions or to donate, please visit WaysideWaifs.org.

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