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THIS IS BILLY



His owner stuffed him into a plastic bag
and threw him out with the rubbish.

Just £8 from you could save an animal's life!

Imagine being beaten every day of your life. Imagine being starved and left out in the cold by the person who is supposed to love you. Imagine being maliciously tortured and left to die in agonising pain.

Sadly, this is the reality of life for thousands of animals in Britain today – animals like Billy, the dog on the front of this leaflet. His heartless owner wrapped his starving pet in a plastic sack, and left him by a rubbish chute, almost hidden by rubbish bags waiting to be incinerated.

Every year we see more and more distressed, maltreated, frightened animals like Billy. In just one year, our Inspectors investigated over 88,600 complaints of cruelty. It's a massive problem that is stretching RSPCA resources to breaking point.

Without your financial support, our continued fight against cruelty would face severe difficulty. **This is why we desperately need your help.**

We get no Government funding – all our work is paid for by people like you who care about animals. **Please, will you send a donation today, to help more animals in terrible need?**

Your donation will make a difference. Just read the case histories opposite of three animals saved by the RSPCA. Billy, Tom and Nutcracker are living proof that your money helps to save animals' lives.

Billy's story



Billy's owner was so desperate to be rid of him that he stuffed the dog into a plastic bag, and chucked him onto a pile of rubbish sacks waiting to be incinerated.

If he hadn't been found, Billy would have starved to death. When we rescued him, Billy was so weak that he couldn't even lift his head or crawl out of the open bag.

We got him immediate veterinary attention, but the vet told us that Billy had been starved for so long that he probably wouldn't live.

Nevertheless we persevered, and very slowly Billy began to recover. Today he's a happy dog, living in a good home.



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Tom's story



What on earth inspires someone to take a kitten and punch its face and head with such violence that it is left staggering and fighting for breath?

That's what happened to ten-week-old Tom, bought from a pet shop and taken home only to suffer repeated, vicious beating. If the RSPCA hadn't found him in time, Tom would almost certainly have died from his injuries.

We found Tom in a terrible state, hardly breathing and trembling with shock. But with the love and care provided by the RSPCA, this small and battered creature made a quite amazing recovery. Today he's a healthy contented cat, safe with a new family.

We took his cruel owner to court and he was banned from owning a pet ever again.

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Nutcracker's story



When Nutcracker was just a few weeks old he was fitted with a head collar. After that, his owners just ignored him.

As time passed and Nutcracker grew bigger, the nose band became tighter and tighter. By the time he was three months old, it was embedded in his nose, causing an inch-deep rotting wound.

Now Nutcracker could barely open his mouth to suckle from his mother. He was slowly starving to death, and in terrible pain. When we discovered him it took over an hour to free him from the head collar.

Nutcracker now lives with people who know how to care for him. His former owners were fined over £3,000.



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Please help us fight cruelty NOW. Send your donation today!

**All we need
is money...**



...to give a homeless animal
somewhere safe to sleep



...to give a neglected animal
food and shelter



...to give an unloved animal a
friend for life

BILLY



**The dog who was thrown out with the rubbish,
pictured here shortly after the RSPCA
rescued him.**

IN JUST ONE YEAR

RSPCA Inspectors
investigated
88,632 complaints of cruelty,
rescued 3,223 animals from suffering
and
helped convict 1,456 people for inflicting pain
and misery

The RSPCA receives no Government funding



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