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**Emaciated Dog Thrown Away in the Trash  
AC&C Rescues Abandoned Dog at Dumpster**

(New York, June 16, 2011) – A severely emaciated dog was thrown out with the trash. When an AC&C staffer arrived, the dog’s condition was so bad that she couldn’t walk and could barely raise her head. The Animal Control Officer immediately transported her to an Animal Care and Control of NYC shelter. The AC&C medical team provided Ella the care needed to save her life. AC&C staff affectionately named her Ella. She is a pit bull mix.

“It is so tragic and unthinkable that someone could do this to another living creature,” explains Julie Bank, executive director of AC&C. “If an individual cannot take care of their pet for whatever reason, we ask that they bring them to the shelter rather than abandon them.”

After receiving the emergency care she needed, Ella has been resting comfortably at an AC&C foster home. Her recovery was made possible by the donations to the Special Treatment and Recovery Program (STAR). Ella should be available for adoption in about three weeks. If anyone is interested in adopting her please send an email of interest to [info@nycacc.org](mailto:info@nycacc.org).

If you would like to donate to our STAR Program which provides care to animals in need of medical care or are interested in joining our fostering team please visit our website at [www.nycacc.org](http://www.nycacc.org).

**About Animal Care & Control**

Animal Care & Control of New York City (AC&C) is the largest pet organization in the North East, with an estimated 40,000 animals rescued each year. As a non-profit organization since 1995, AC&C has been responsible for New York City’s municipal shelter system; rescuing, caring for and finding loving homes for homeless and abandoned animals in New York City. AC&C facilities operate in all five boroughs to service all NYC communities.

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