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TWO ABUSED AND ABANDONED PUPPIES NEED YOUR HELP

-- Fighters Need Prolonged Medical Care and a Loving Home --

New York – July 19, 2012 – Some dogs have to struggle just to survive, but the two puppies found abandoned on the side of the road in Staten Island over the weekend have shown true grit.

Only about three to four months old, Faith and Hope, the severely emaciated and dehydrated puppies were abandoned in clear plastic containers with holes poked for ventilation. They were found by a good Samaritan who brought them to Animal Care & Control of NYC's Staten Island Care Center.

AC&C provided the needed veterinary care for them and now the two puppies are spending time in an AC&C foster home for further recovery and treatment until they are healthy enough to be adopted. Because of their poor condition, it is difficult to tell the breed of the puppies, but they are thought by the AC&C staff to be Mastiffs or a Great Dane mix.

Animals in such deplorable condition as these need prolonged medical care, which is costly. Julie Bank, AC&C's Executive Director, asks New Yorkers to consider assisting these dogs. "You can help these adorable fighters on their long road to recovery by donating to AC&C's *Special Treatment and Recovery* or STAR Fund to assisting in paying for their care. These puppies deserve some kindness." The Fund raises support for the treatment of hundreds of injured, ill or abused dogs and cats each year, including veterinary care at AC&C's shelters, emergency treatment and/or hospitalization at outside institutions and foster homes.

To donate to the STAR Fund, please visit www.nycacc.org, click on the Donate tab and scroll down to the STAR Fund. Those who are interested in adopting the puppies can email AC&C at adoption@nycacc.org. Those interested in becoming a foster parent should also visit www.nycacc.org. Also, if a pet owner cannot care for a pet they should bring their pet to one of the AC&C facilities.



Hope



Faith

About Animal Care & Control

Animal Care & Control of New York City (AC&C) is the largest pet organization in the Northeast, rescuing nearly 34,000 animals each year. As a non-profit organization since 1995, AC&C rescues, cares for and finds loving homes for homeless and abandoned animals in New York City. AC&C facilities operate in all five boroughs to service all NYC communities. Visit AC&C's website at www.nycacc.org for more information.

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