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## For Immediate Release

### **ABANDONED DOG RECEIVES NEEDED SURGERY THANKS TO A GRANT FROM THE MURRELL FOUNDATION TO THE HUMANE SOCIETY OF NORTH TEXAS**

**AUGUST 31, 2023 | FORT WORTH, TEXAS** – The Humane Society of North Texas (HSNT) has recently seen an uptick in animals being abandoned at their locations. One such animal was Arthur, a dog abandoned at the Fort Worth shelter on Lancaster Avenue with a severely broken leg. Arthur was found by a security guard after the gates were closed on August 21<sup>st</sup>. Although there is no video showing how Arthur got through the gates, it's assumed that he was dropped over or pushed through the gate. Arthur can be seen on video limping and searching for a place to rest, with temperatures still hovering around 100 degrees that evening. The security guard was able to bring Arthur inside for the night and provide him with water. The next day, HSNT's veterinarian diagnosed Arthur with a broken femur in his left hind leg that would need surgery. Upon hearing about Arthur's story, The Murrell Foundation contacted HSNT to provide a \$3,000 grant to ensure Arthur would receive the vital medical attention.

"The Humane Society of North Texas is incredibly thankful for the grant from The Murrell Foundation," said Destiny Vandeput, Director of Communications at HSNT. "It is demoralizing when pets are so heartlessly discarded, but it's heartwarming to know that organizations like The Murrell Foundation care enough to invest in these pets' lives so we can take cruel situations and turn them into positive stories."

HSNT applied the \$3,000 grant towards medical expenses incurred at Dallas Veterinary Surgical Center in Dallas, and Arthur's ongoing medical and rehabilitation needs. HSNT is estimating the total cost of Arthur's current and future medical care to be upwards of \$5,000. Arthur will need about four to six weeks to heal before he's available for adoption.

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*The Murrell Foundation is a private family foundation located in Dallas, Texas.*



*Arthur on 8.21.23 when found by an HSNT security guard.*



*Arthur's broken femur*



*Arthur recovering after surgery on his broken left femur.*