

## Media Release

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# DoveLewis

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## DoveLewis Saves Dog Shot Twice by Alleged Intruder

DoveLewis doctors saved an eight year old husky overnight after she was shot twice by an alleged intruder. According to her owners, “Kasi” darted out the door when they opened it to investigate strange noises in their front yard. The gate had been left open and Kasi disappeared. After hearing three loud noises which sounded like fireworks, Kasi came home. It was then that the owners discovered she was bleeding. It appears she had been hit by two bullets. Kasi is recovering peacefully today at DoveLewis’ main hospital in NW Portland. “She ate a small amount of food this afternoon. If she continues to eat and everything else goes well, she should be able to be released this evening,” says Dr. Welker, a DoveLewis staff veterinarian.

DoveLewis was able to release the funds to help cover the cost of Kasi’s treatment, thanks to the “[Charlie Fund](#),” a 100% donor-supported program to help with the medical bills of abused animals. Kasi’s owners also contributed to the cost of her care. “Cases like these are why we rely on support from the community,” says Ron Morgan, DoveLewis CEO. “Providing emergency medical care for all animals, especially those who are abused, have no homes, or are owned by people with financial difficulties, is what we do. The more money we have in those funds, the more we could do for more animals. When funds are limited we have to also limit the number of cases we can help.”

Just a few days ago, we reached our monthly cap on our [Velvet Assistance Fund](#) for low-income clients. Due to limited donations to this program, the monthly payout is capped at \$10,000. Normally, this amount almost exactly covers the need. Like the Charlie Fund. All of the money in the DoveLewis Velvet Assistance Fund comes from donors. This is the first time the available amount has been depleted this early in the month. As of August 1<sup>st</sup>, another \$10,000 will be released for qualifying clients.

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Kasi’s owners have filed a report with Gresham Police Department. For more information, contact 503.618.2647.

DoveLewis is Portland’s 24-Hour Emergency and ICU Animal Hospital, offering advanced veterinary care. DoveLewis also shares several 100% donor-funded programs with the community including one of America’s largest volunteer-based animal blood banks, an award-winning animal assisted therapy program, a nationally recognized pet loss support program offering five free group therapy sessions each month, 24-hour stabilizing care for lost, stray and wild animals and financial assistance for low income families and abused animals.