



**FRIENDS FOR ANIMALS OF METRO DETROIT**  
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**FRIENDS FOR ANIMALS OFFERS AWARD FOR ANY INFORMATION REGARDING STRAY  
DOG FOUND WITH INFECTED BITE WOUNDS**

Dearborn, MICH. January 16, 2023 – On Saturday, January 14, a citizen brought a one-year-old Lab mix in horrific condition to Friends for Animals of Metro Detroit, which the staff named Bishop. Bishop was found by this citizen at Bingham Street and Warren Avenue. The medical team at Friends for Animals realized instantly that Bishop needed immediate veterinary assistance and had him rushed to Affiliated Veterinary Emergency Service, as he had multiple bite wounds to his back legs, along with severe, massive wounds to his rear-end. The large, open wounds to the rear-end were most likely sustained due to significant infection, which abscessed over and then ruptured, exposing tendons in that area of his body. Unfortunately, his quality of life was deemed irreparable, and the massive, infected wounds were beyond repair.

“We had to make the informed, difficult decision to have him humanely euthanized. Upon post-mortem examination, our staff found office staples throughout the wounds, which leads us to the conclusion that someone tried to staple his severe wounds up themselves. The photos of his massive open wounds to his rear-end are extremely graphic and nightmare-ish to show. However, we feel it is necessary to show the seriousness of what happened to Bishop,” said President and CEO Cory Keller.

Friends for Animals is asking the community for any information that would lead to the arrest, prosecution, and conviction of the person(s) responsible for the horrific, inhumane treatment of Bishop. There is a \$1,000 cash reward. Please contact us at (313) 943-2697 ext. 1004 and leave a message with any information.

Furthermore, the organization is asking, not only their immediate community, but all communities, that if you see something, say something. Please contact your local animal welfare organization or police department to report any cruelty or neglect. In addition, these organizations and agencies are great resources if you need help or support for your pet. They



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may not be able to help directly, but they may be able to guide you to other organizations that could. Unfortunately, it was too late for Bishop but it does not have to be for another animal.

If you'd like to make a donation to Friends for Animals for any of the 2,500 animals that are cared for each year, please visit <https://www.metrodetroitanimals.org>.

Friends for Animals is a 501c3 organization and is located at 16121 Reckinger in Dearborn. Friends for Animals is dedicated to the rescue, protection, and adoption of companion animals in need, while inspiring the human-animal bond. Friends for Animals was founded in 1993 by volunteers who believed that homeless animals in our region deserve a second chance at life. Building on our strong sense of animal welfare, Friends for Animals has grown in the past 28 years to an organization of great impact in the companion animal welfare community. The organization helps find homes for approximately 2,500 dogs and cats each year.

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