



Southern States Rescued Rottweilers

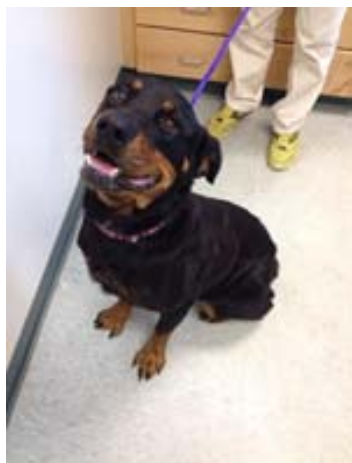
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Money is an uncomfortable subject and no one likes asking for it...but we need it in order to be able to continue to care for the Rotties in our rescue. SSRR has some of the best volunteers and we're doing everything we can think of to help raise funds. At the end of the day though, our supporters don't know we need money unless we ask. And that is what we are doing - we are asking.

Like many other non-profits, we hate asking for money, but we ask because we love our Rottweilers. We ask you to step up, to make a difference, and to be a savior for our Rotties in need. AT SSRR, the one and only thing we care about is our Rotties and every penny donated goes directly to help them.

We need YOUR help when we rescue these amazing dogs. We've taken in some badly injured dogs recently that are costing thousands of dollars to treat. We don't turn our backs on them - we do everything we can to help them all. Please consider a donation to our efforts - every dollar goes toward their care. We need sponsors and/or donations for these babies.

When we rescue a Rottie and bring them in to SSRR, we fully vet them, which includes vaccines (\$150) and Spay/Neuter (\$100). Assuming the dog has nothing else going on with it (which is rarely the case) the expenses right on day 1 are \$250. Unfortunately, many of the Rotties we rescue have heartworms and need heartworm treatment (costing between \$500 and \$1,000). Then we have those that need major surgery which has ranged from \$1,000 to \$6,000. Here are just a few of our dogs needing special treatment:



Delilah was a young emaciated female Rottweiler, rescued recently from a Louisiana kill shelter. Suffering from neglect, she came into SSSR at approximately 35 lbs underweight, and very ill. After taking care of Delilah's immediate vet needs, as well as spaying, it was noticed that she was having trouble walking. It was determined that she will need complete hip replacement for both hips. SSRR will have to raise money for her hip replacements, which are expected to cost approximately \$6-\$8,000 as the surgery will have to be done by an orthopedic vet. The Vet has said that the condition of her hips is so poor that on a scale of 1-5, he rates her at a 7; she is in severe pain with little relief until the funds can be raised for her surgeries. Delilah also suffers from heartworms and has started treatment. Delilah's surgery will be between \$6,000 and \$8,000.



Houston was rescued from a kill shelter. When he arrived at the vet office, he was so scared, he just flattened out like a pancake and no one could get him out of the crate. Finally, they had to take the crate apart and “pour” him out.

Houston had been abused. He has a head tilt, likely from being hit. He was flea infested, had Entropion in both eyes, severe ear infections in both ears, was heartworm positive and was malnourished. He was quite grumpy and difficult, likely due to being in so much pain and so fearful. The Vet decided to let him chill for a few days and try to ease his discomfort with medication before taking care of his other issues.

Within a few days, Houston was neutered and had surgery on both eyes. His ear infections were cleared up. A wonderful SSRR foster flew to Texas from Tennessee to take Houston back and get him into a home environment. Houston has now started heartworm treatment and is adjusting to his loving home with his foster dad.



Louie, a 5-7 year old male Rottie, was posted on a Facebook page of a very high kill shelter here in NC. His foster was already getting ready to foster for SSRR when she saw him and asked permission to Temperament Test and pull him. She took her two young daughters with her and outside; lying in the rocks, behind his shelter was Lou. After sitting in his kennel for 40 minutes he went up to them. One could just see the life he had. Lou has a scar where he had a collar embedded there at a point in his life and multiple pressure point sores to where he has laying on a hard surface.

He passed the Temperament Test and she was on my way to being a foster failure. Lou took to the life of being a farm dog very well. He loved running the fence line and playing with their other dogs. He was finally safe.

A few months later they noticed he wasn't acting quite right. A day later he stopped eating. His foster mom and dad are both medics so they grabbed their stethoscope to listen to his heart. His heart rate was very irregular and immediately they knew that Lou was in trouble.



He was rushed to their vet where he was put on a heart monitor. It was found that he was in cardiogenic shock with a heart rate of 28 and dropping along with a 3rd degree heart block. They were getting ready to say their goodbyes to their first foster when they got the call from SSRR saying that they could drive him to NC State Veterinary Center and get a pacemaker implanted.

At 8:00 pm Lou and his foster mom started a very nerve racking two hour drive to the center. He made the drive to the ER and the cardiology team was called in. At 3:30 am April 20, 2013 Lou got another new lease on life.



SSRR was contacted by a police officer who was desperately trying to save a female Rotti from one of the worst neighborhoods in Houston. Maggie was initially owned by a man who was often seen kicking and beating her. She had always lived outside and allowed to roam the streets. It was also determined that she was about to deliver puppies. We found out Maggie had never been to a vet in her entire life (she's 4-5 years old). No shots or medical care—ever. She does have Stage 4 heartworms and a hip injury. The vet said the hip injury may be from prior trauma. Maggie had 4 sweet puppies. Since her puppies are weaned she has started her heartworm treatment. She will soon be spayed and as soon as it is safe, she will have surgery for her hip injury.

Donations and Sponsors :

If you would like to sponsor one of our Rotties in need, there are several ways to help out!

- 🐾 Make a onetime donation gift
- 🐾 Make a monthly reoccurring gift

Other ways to help:

🐾 Is your birthday coming up? Have everyone send a donation to SSRR in your name for one of our special needs Rottie, what's a better birthday gift than to help one of the special dogs?

🐾 *Have a fundraiser:* Hold a Bake Sale, Car Wash to help with the expenses of one of our special needs dogs.

Donate Online:



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Your tax deductible monthly pledge allows SSRR to continue saving Rotties in Need.

