

## ***How can someone abandon you like this?***

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*Alpacca* came in like a moth eaten skeleton on stilts. He was another dog from the pound. Much of his body is furless and you can see the fleas scurrying to the next clump of matted fur closer to his neck. His head is drooped. He has given up hope. When you gaze into his eyes you see the scarring from ulcers that were never treated. You look at him and wonder – how can someone abandon you like this?

*“The condition he is in is not something that happens overnight”* says Monika, founder of DoggieRescue. *“Apart from neglect I think there some underlying medical problems that need attention. He will need blood tests and probably on-going veterinary treatment, before we even entertain the thought of re-homing him.”*

Right now DoggieRescue is struggling to keep going. Times are the toughest they have been, so what happens to dogs like *Alpacca* who need extra care and attract more veterinary expenses when we can least afford it?

DoggieRescue is committed to the dogs in its care and our band of volunteers are working harder than ever to keep the operation going. *“We are in survival mode and we have had to do a lot of belt tightening”* says Monika. *“I have seen a lot of hard times since starting DoggieRescue more than 15 years ago, but I just can’t see my way through right now.”*

DoggieRescue.com is a registered charity run by volunteers. It has a strict No Kill philosophy and has saved some 8,500 dogs from death row from council pounds around Sydney. DoggieRescue has a shelter at Ingleside as well as many dogs in foster care all over Sydney. Right now DoggieRescue has some 200 dogs in care. To help with volunteering, sponsoring, fostering or adopting a doggie call 9486 3133 or visit [www.DoggieRescue.com.au](http://www.DoggieRescue.com.au) today.

Photos of *Alpacca* are available upon request.

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