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## **DoggieRescue desperately needs foster carers to save lives this Easter**

During the last seven days, around 700 dogs will have lost their lives at 14 council pounds across Sydney. This shocking statistic is the average number of dogs destroyed in a typical week – and most are under 18 months old.

For Monika Biernacki, founder of DoggieRescue, dealing with this reality week in, week out, is emotionally and physically gruelling.

“The post-Christmas dog dumping season has been in full swing.” explained Monika. “Our shelter at Ingleside is full. So are all our regular foster homes. Every day I receive calls from council pounds asking me to rescue ‘special cases’. Right now the answer is “I can’t”. It breaks my heart knowing that this means a dog is about to lose its life – no matter how loving, no matter how worthy.”

**With a full shelter, DoggieRescue is urgently calling for more foster carers so that more lives can be saved.**

**“Every dog placed in a foster home means another dog can be saved from the pound – it’s that simple.” said Monika.**

“Fostering is not a lifetime commitment – it is an act of love by sharing your home for a few weeks or a few months. DoggieRescue will cover any medical costs and continue to search for a forever home for the fostered doggie. In a foster environment, dogs can learn to love, live and play again.

**I have 26 dogs on my Priority Foster List. They are desperately in need of ‘time out’ in a caring home environment. Finding foster homes for these doggies will create the space for us to save 26 lives – and I want to achieve this by Easter.”**

**For more information on becoming a Foster Carer call DoggieRescue on 02 9486 3133 (Tues-Sun) or visit [www.doggierescue.com](http://www.doggierescue.com)**

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DoggieRescue.com is a charity largely driven by volunteers and is wholly dependent on donations from dog lovers via the DoggieRescue Lifesaver program and volunteer support. DoggieRescue is the largest No-Kill welfare group for dogs in NSW, rescuing the lost, abandoned, unloved, abused and neglected dogs from death row in Sydney pounds.