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SATURDAY, JAN. 17, 2010

A volunteer with **Missouri German Shepherd Rescue** was called to a relative's home to help a stray dog found dying in the front yard. PEACHES was comatose, couldn't stand (just fell right over), couldn't open her eyes, and was frozen almost solid with icicles dripping from her nose.

MOGS rushed her to **THE PET CONNECTION (TPC)** in Mission, KS. TPC's vet clinic was closed but they immediately opened right up to help Peaches.

Peaches' body temperature was a mere 90 degrees!!! (Normal is 102-103).

She was literally almost frozen to death. We all worked together to warm Peaches up - three hair dryers to dry out her soaking wet belly, legs and paws; two heating pads over her; dozens of dryer-warmed towels constantly being changed out, injecting warm water into her mouth and gums, massaging key body points, and injecting IV solutions to warm her from the inside.

The Pet Connection vet and vet tech who rushed in to help found that she also was suffering from Pyometria (a uterine infection that kills) and Entropion in BOTH eyes (eyelashes that curl inward, very painful). Both eyes were also crusted shut.

SUNDAY, JAN. 18, 2010

Peaches body temperature is returning to normal and she is showing some signs of life! She still cannot open her eyes (too painful) but has eaten a little and stood up on her own a little. Due to the fact that the Pyometria could kill her, she will undergo surgery tomorrow.

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MONDAY JAN. 19, 2010

Peaches went into surgery today at **TPC's** Vet Clinic (Mission KS).

She did well last night - she ate and actually walked around a little. She walked around at The Pet Connection's vet clinic this morning before surgery. She hasn't uttered a single complaint or a bark since the moment we found her. We all thought she'd do very well.

She was having two surgeries: spay to eliminate her uterine infection (Pyometria) and eye surgery (to correct the Entropion in both eyes).

And that's when the miracles started.

They opened her up -- and found this remarkable dog had a belly overflowing with an awful pink liquid. It was blood from the pyometria mixed with urine flowing into her belly from a damaged kidney.

Peaches had been viciously hit or kicked and one kidney destroyed. No one knew.

Her bladder was furiously leaking urine due to the kidney damage. This horrible pink gunk spewed out everywhere.

The Pet Connection vet Dr. Kennedy and vet tech Crystal (incredible pro's!) quickly worked to remove the uterus and the damaged kidney, and repair the damage. They then worked on Peaches' eyes and corrected the Entropion in both her eyes.

After incredibly completing these four major surgeries at once (spay, kidney and both eyes), they put Peaches on oxygen and the safest of all meds. She was doing fine.

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**And then it happened:
her heart stopped.
Peaches was gone.**

The vet tech started mouth to mouth resuscitation and the vet worked the heart pump. No luck. **Helpers announced that Peaches was gone.**

The Pet Connection began drafting a message to send to Peaches' rescuers at MOGS, to their own volunteers and to the media.

**And then the miracle:
mid-way into composing the message that Peaches
was gone, workers heard Dr. Kennedy say "SHE'S
BACK!"**

**After almost a minute of having no heartbeat, no pulse and
no breathing, PEACHES REJOINED THE WORLD.**

And she did it in a big way -- with a heart rate of 120 which is incredibly healthy.

A miracle.

BUT PEACHES IS NOT OUT OF THE WOODS YET. She needs round the clock monitoring for 48 hours and MOGS volunteers will be there, side by side with The Pet Connection volunteers, to make that happen.

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**Peaches' massive care would cost
over \$6,000 at a regular vet.**

**YET PEACHES BILL IS ONLY ABOUT \$1,800.
PLEASE HELP US.**

Peaches is a remarkable dog with a will to live that won't stop. She has allowed herself to be picked up, transported, handled, you name it -- all with a belly full of urine and blood we didn't know about.

She hasn't uttered a single complaint, yelp or growl.
Not once did she offer to nip at anyone or so much as wince.

She has just relaxed and been grateful for the help she's finally receiving.