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## **DOG HIT BY CAR IN PERTH EAST SUSTAINED SERIOUS INJURIES AND REQUIRES SURGERY TODAY**

**STRATFORD, ONTARIO:** A community member in Perth East witnessed a dog being hit by a car last week and called The Humane Society of Kitchener Waterloo & Stratford Perth (HSKWSP) for help. Animal Services officers attended to find that the dog was severely injured. Being after hours, they rushed him to the Emergency Veterinary Clinic (EVC) in Cambridge, where the team stabilized his injuries, administered pain medication and performed more testing.

“Our officers could tell right away that the dog had a badly fractured back leg. But there are always concerns for injuries we can’t see when we know an animal has been hit by a car,” stated Dr. Sarah Thompson, interim veterinary director, HSKWSP. “The team at EVC took bloodwork and did an ultrasound which thankfully found no internal trauma.”

HSKWSP put out an appeal through Facebook to locate an owner, but no one has come forward at this time. The dog, now named “Jayce”, is currently under the medical care of the humane society, with around-the-clock monitoring being provided by both HSKWSP and EVC teams. He has suffered a fractured back leg, fractured toes, and other wounds. The injuries to his back left leg are too severe to repair, and now that his stray hold period is over, HSKWSP is getting him into surgery this morning to have the leg amputated.

“We are so thankful that somebody saw the dog and called us right away,” stated Kathrin Delutis, chief executive officer, HSKWSP. “We are hoping that Jayce can move into foster care following surgery and is feeling better very soon.”

HSKWSP is estimating Jayce’s cost of care will easily exceed \$7,000 and is hosting an urgent appeal to raise the critical funds. Being a charity that receives no level of government funding, donations are crucial to helping dogs like him. Those wishing to make a donation can do so at <https://kwsphumane.ca/urgent-appeal>.

To learn more about the initiatives of the HSKWSP, please visit [kwsphumane.ca](https://kwsphumane.ca).

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