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**Humane Society of Kitchener Waterloo & Stratford Perth
Launches Urgent Appeal For Injured Dog**

KITCHENER & STRATFORD, ONTARIO: The Humane Society of Kitchener Waterloo & Stratford Perth (HSKWSP) has launched an urgent appeal campaign to raise funds for a one-year-old dog that needs emergency orthopedic surgery to fix her hip and to repair a deep laceration on her leg.

The dog, named Sylvia by staff, arrived at the centre as a stray. The physical examination, including x-rays, revealed a deep laceration on the left hind foot and her right hip was dislocated.

Sylvia heads into surgery today. She will need several weeks to recover, which will also include extensive physical therapy. The HSKWSP estimates that her medical and care costs could reach up to \$5,500 or more by the time she is ready for adoption. This includes the cost of her surgery and to spay her, antibiotics and cost of care. Sylvia will then head into foster care to recover until she is ready to find her forever home.

“The money raised from this campaign will help Sylvia lead a healthy, happy life,” stated Kathrin Delutis, chief executive officer, HSKWSP. “As we don’t receive any government funding for our charitable programs and services, we rely solely on our community’s generosity to provide this life-saving medical care. We truly hope you’ll [donate](#) today.”

Community members can make a one-time donation for Sylvia [here](#). For more information on the initiatives of the Humane Society of Kitchener Waterloo & Stratford Perth, please visit kwsphumane.ca.

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