



National Mill Dog Rescue

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Dear friends of NMDR,

As 2025 comes to a close, I find myself reflecting on the thousands of lives forever changed this year—**nearly 3,000 dogs** now know love, safety, comfort, and family life for the first time... *because of you*. Every medical procedure, every nutritious meal, every skilled hand and soft bed, every loving adoption... *you made possible*.

You also stood with us through one of the most devastating rescues in our history. In June, we took in 164 Schnauzers from conditions no being should ever endure—most so severely matted they were unrecognizable as dogs. It is still hard to imagine how they survived.

Our Dogsville campus in Missouri has become a true **beacon of hope**. What began as a simple holding facility has grown into a center that not only serves commercial breeding dogs—our lifelong mission—but also supports a region overwhelmed with strays. In December, we will proudly open a newly renovated community spay/neuter clinic to address this critical need.

Dogsville now runs an active rescue and adoption program for our mission dogs, whom we continue to save in record numbers. But soon after opening, reports of starving dumped dogs, abandoned litters, and critically injured dogs began pouring in. In response, we created our **Roadside Rescue Program** to offer care and compassion to dogs in desperation who truly have no one else.

As we continue answering the call for the most vulnerable dogs, our need for your generosity has never been greater. From my whole heart, I humbly ask for your support today. Your donation will help us meet the needs of every dog currently in our care—and reach the countless others still waiting for their freedom ride.

Thank you for believing in this mission, and in us. Your compassion, your generosity, and the way you always show up for our dogs mean more than words can express. Because of you, healing happens here every single day—and NMDR continues to thrive. I am grateful beyond measure!

From all of us at NMDR, we wish you a warm and peaceful holiday season,

Theresa Straden

Founder & Executive Director



Today, 27 of these precious Schnauzers remain in our care—the seniors, the shyest souls, and a few who still bite in fear. Thanks to your generosity, our teams offer them patience, kindness, and meticulous daily care as they continue healing.

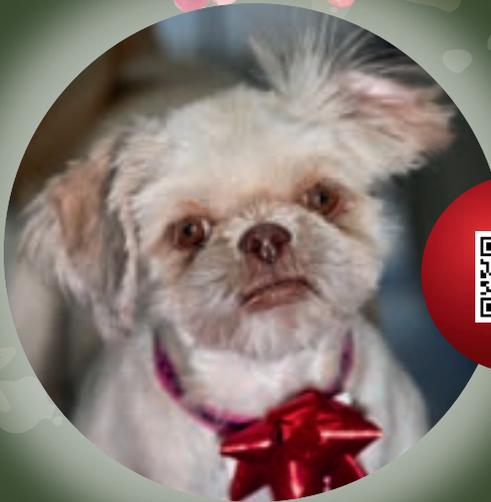
Become a Rescue Angel

NMDR Angel is the special name we give to our supporters who make pre-scheduled monthly contributions.

For as little as **\$5 per month**, you can help support the animals in our care.

This program relies on the collective power of many people's support & makes a HUGE difference for our dogs!

Please consider signing up today!



Give a Life-Changing Gift

Scan to visit our **Fund-a-Need** page and make an immediate difference

\$25	Provides a warm, cozy bed & toys
\$50	Feeds a shelter resident for a whole month
\$100	Provides rescue & transport for one dog
\$500	Covers one in-house severe dental procedure
\$2,500	Provides for one specialty surgery
\$6,000	Fund an entire rescue from transport through basic vetting



Listen to our NMDR anthem to feel the mission that moves us every single day



Hope Begins Here

Some dogs endure horrors we cannot imagine...

Simba was one of the 160+ Schnauzers rescued in June from a severely neglectful breeder. Painfully matted and trembling with fear, Simba was always seeking a corner to disappear into. Today, he continues to heal with one of our skilled and loving foster families.



Home at Last

THE STORIES YOU MADE POSSIBLE



We've had **Tati** for two years now, and she has been the absolute best! She's almost three years old, so we've increased our hiking trips with her this year. She does walk but also loves to be carried. She did agility classes for a while but absolutely LOVES tricks class—she's really smart!

We love her so much & are incredibly thankful to NMDR for helping her find our family.

Rubi is one of the 164 schnauzers rescued in June from that heartbreaking situation. She is the sweetest girl and is making strides every day. At her first vet appointment, we found out that she is blind in her left eye, caused by a traumatic injury. She is 3 years old, has the sweetest face, and just wants to be loved. She had our hearts at our first meeting—and **I think we are starting to have hers.**



Pupdate on Miss **Jazzy** (formerly Boss Lady)... This beautiful girl has settled into her new home as if she's lived there forever. The Three Amigos—Conner (2015), August (2018), and Susie (2023)—all National Mill Dog Rescue alums—welcomed Jazzy with open paws, and now they're a perfectly matched Quad Squad, often snuggling together. Add in their older sister, and they've become an incredible pack of loving pups who all get along wonderfully. **Four NMDR rescues, one amazing family.**



Rico

Pupdate on **Rico** (formerly Rickman), **one of the 164 Schnauzers rescued in June**—just two weeks in, and he's settling in beautifully!

This 6-year-old sweetheart is now housebroken, getting the hang of leash walking, and knows the mealtime routine like a pro. He's figuring out stairs and ramps and loves lounging next to Zoey and his human—until he's ready to head to his cozy kennel for a break. Belly rubs? He's a big fan.

Rico's gentle spirit is shining through more each day. We're so grateful to NMDR for giving him this chance—and can't wait to see all the love he still has to give.



Minnie



Halle

Happy 17th Birthday to our sweet Halle Bear!

Adopted in 2017 after spending 9 heartbreaking years in a cage, she's overcome more than most—losing all but two teeth, surviving a life-threatening GI illness, and enduring multiple procedures with such strength and grace. She's slowing down now, but still gallops to her food bowl like a pup and fills our days with joy.

She's the most precious sister to Flossie, another NMDR survivor, and together they remind us just how deep the bond is between dogs who've been through so much. We're forever grateful to NMDR for saving her—and to Halle, for choosing us.

Today marks one month that **Minnie** (NMDR Moment) joined our family. The time has flown by. She fit in right away with her fearless, curious and snuggly personality. Minnie plays great with our other terrier, Mac, they are BFF's. He is teaching her something new everyday. **She's the happiest pup I've ever met!**