



## THE KODIAK TAILS

saving lives, one dog at a time



### KodiakCare's 500th Save Survives Close Encounter with Speeding Car

It was a routine summer afternoon for Silvia Acevedo, a mother of three in the Boston area who was taking out the trash when her 7-month-old lab mix made a break for it.

Gohan ran out of an open gate to the edge of a busy sidewalk where a car hit him and sped off. With one glance at her critically injured dog, Acevedo knew Gohan needed emergency help. But she didn't have the necessary funds until Angell Animal Medical Center turned her on to KodiakCare.

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With the paperwork swiftly processed, Angell admitted the stricken pup to its in-patient hospital, and Gohan became the 500th life saved with financial assistance from KodiakCare.

Without the funding, it's unlikely Gohan could have been admitted for the help he so desperately needed, said Dr. Matthew Araujo, a veterinarian who treated him at Angell.

"Gohan got hit pretty good by that car," Araujo said, noting that besides a broken leg, Gohan was suffering from internal bleeding and bruising around his lungs that made breathing difficult.

"What KodiakCare allowed us to do is keep him overnight in an oxygen support chamber to make sure he could breathe on his own and keep him on medications." Araujo said. "It paid for his overnight care and to have a plan in place to bandage and splint that limb."

Fortunately, with supportive care, the internal bleeding stopped, and Gohan's prognosis went from dire to "great," he said. And through it all, Gohan never lost his loving disposition: "He was a sweet boy through the whole thing, He was licking our hands when we were trying to do treatments and looking for belly rubs."

Gohan returned home with a splint up to his shoulder, and picked up where he left off, being a constant companion to the Acevedos, riding along to pick up the kids at school and comforting the family's 7-year-old after a tonsillectomy.

"He's like part of the family. He's part of us," Silvia said. "I'm really thankful and I appreciate everything you guys are doing, and the hospital too."

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## **KodiakCare's Auction Bidding for Barks Surpasses Goal!**

Bidding for Barks was incredibly successful thanks to all of the participants who donated, bid and spread the word for our cause. The auction surpassed our goal and raised over \$17,000!

All of the proceeds go to fund life-saving care for dogs of families with financial need. KodiakCare has been able to give families and their beloved pets a future thanks to our supporters. Thank you!

### **Upcoming Events**

#### **KodiakCare's Jog for the Dogs**

Don't miss your chance to sign up for Jog for the Dogs! Registration is just \$30, and the first 100 people to sign up will receive an official 2023 KodiakCare Jog for the Dogs Virtual 5K T-shirt!

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Learn more [here](#) and then lace up your running shoes and walk, jog, or run 3.1 miles at your own pace anytime from October 15-21! Wear your Jog for the Dogs T-shirt if you have one, and post on Facebook, Instagram, or LinkedIn to spread the word and help make this event a success! Be sure to tag us: @kodiakcare!

Don't want to run or walk? No problem! You can still support KodiakCare with a donation! All funds raised go directly to lifesaving care for dogs in need!

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## Pawsome News



### **KodiakCare Wins Grant to Help Senior Dogs**

We are proud to announce that KodiakCare has been selected as a 2023 Grey Muzzle Organization grant recipient! [The Grey Muzzle Organization](#) improves the lives of at-risk senior dogs by providing funding and resources to animal shelters, rescue organizations, sanctuaries, and other non-profit groups nationwide. KodiakCare is one of 90 animal welfare groups (out of 370 applicants!) chosen to receive funding this year.

KodiakCare helps many senior dogs, and Dobby is just one example. The 12-year-old terrier mix developed a life-threatening intestinal obstruction that required surgery. Dobby's owners had recently lost their primary source of income

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and were devastated when they could not afford the treatment their best friend needed. But, thanks to funding from The Grey Muzzle Organization, KodiakCare was able to partner with the Connecticut Humane Society to get Dobby the surgery he needed, and this sweet little guy is now back home with his family.

We thank The Grey Muzzle Organization for their support of our mission to provide funding for critical veterinary care to families who lack financial means. This grant will allow us to help more senior dogs enjoy their golden years at home with their loving families.

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