

Waffles came to me from a friend in New York who rescued her from a breeder in Pennsylvania. At the breeder's, she was in a pen all by herself, already been taken away from her mother at 5 weeks old and was only being fed dry food three times a day. She barely had teeth yet. It was visibly apparent that Waffles had trouble with her back legs. My friend convinced the breeder to let her take the puppy. She was brought to my friend's vet in New York who said Waffles was anemic and malnourished. She only weighted one pound. My friend asked if I would take her and care for her and that is how she came to live with me in New Hampshire. She required feeding with puppy formula and soft food every two hours for the first two weeks just to get her to a healthy state. When she reached two pounds in one week, I was thrilled and knew she would make it with the proper care and attention. During the past ten months, she has had a number of visits to the vet to assess her growth and development as she moved past the malnourishment stage, an emergency scope surgery to remove debris stuck in her throat due to a bulb like protrusion in the esophagus (which has gotten better over time as the Vet predicted), as well as treatments for a stubborn form of intestinal worms that she came with from the breeder. Unfortunately, this care has drained me financially as the initial care cost about $1500-$1600. She is doing incredible and is super healthy. The only thing she needs is the surgery to correct her left rear leg. The deformity in the knee has gotten worse to the point where she is in pain often and barely puts any weight on that leg. She has learned to hop off the back left leg when she wants to go fast which is cute but she now may have torn a tendon or ligament in the leg that needs the corrective surgery so it is a must have surgery now. With this surgery, I feel good saying we have given her a new lease on life and she can really live like a dog now. She will be healthy and pain free and can RUN like a Dog! Thank you Paws 4 A Cure. Your organization is a God Send. I cannot thank you enough.

Sincerely,
Amy and Waffles