



\*\*\*\*\*Media Advisory\*\*\*\*\*

## **Dogs rescued from South Korean meat trade to arrive in Waukesha County**

### *Humane Society International rescues dogs from a dog meat farm*

MILWAUKEE, Wisc. (July 20, 2017)—A group of dogs rescued from a dog meat farm in rural Yesan, South Korea, by Humane Society International will be arriving at the Humane Animal Welfare Society (HAWHS) and Elmbrook Humane Society (EBHS).

This is the [ninth dog meat farm](#) that HSI has permanently closed since 2014, rescuing and rehoming nearly 1,000 dogs by working in cooperation with dog meat farmers keen to get out of the trade. The farm in Yesan contained 149 dogs, including puppies, all of whom will be rescued and transported to the United States this month. The rescue is occurring just as the Bok Nal summer season, during which South Koreans kill and eat more than one million dogs as a spicy soup, gets underway. The rescues and farm closures are part of HSI's broader strategy that aims to encourage the South Korean government to end the cruel dog meat industry.

The [Humane Animal Welfare Society](#) and [Elmbrook Humane Society](#) and will evaluate and care for the dogs. Please check back with their respective websites for adoption information.

HAWHS and EBHS are part of The Humane Society of the United States' [Emergency Placement Partner](#) program.

WHO: Dogs and puppies rescued from a South Korean dog meat farm; HAWHS and EBHS staff

WHAT: Opportunity to meet the dogs and speak with HAWHS and EBHS staff

WHEN: HAWHS: July 20 at 2:00pm and July 21 at 10:00am; EBHS: July 28 at 10:00am

For more information about HSI's work to end the dog meat trade in Asia, visit [hsi.org/dogmeat](http://hsi.org/dogmeat).

**\*\*Images and b-roll video of the dogs at the farm in South Korea are available [here](#).\*\***

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*HAWHS, a non-profit organization established in 1965, assists 8,000 animals each year and welcomes more than 35,000 human visitors to our shelter annually. As an open admission and full service shelter, HAWHS assures sanctuary for animals in need while offering many diverse educational programs and services to promote responsible pet ownership and prevent animal abuse. The shelter is located at 701 Northview Road in Waukesha, Wisconsin.*

*For more information call (262) 542-8851 or log onto [hawspets.org](http://hawspets.org). HAWHS: Building a No-Kill Community.*

*Humane Society International and its partner organizations together constitute one of the world's largest animal protection organizations. For more than 25 years, HSI has been working for the protection of all animals through the use of science, advocacy, education and hands on programs. Celebrating animals and confronting cruelty worldwide – on the Web at [hsi.org](http://hsi.org).*