

Lost Causes Unheard of at NSALA

Just ask Bambi or Blossom



Bambi needed to be nurtured and loved to help bring her back. We were able to stabilize and get her to a more healthy weight in order to properly diagnose her condition.



Now she is ready for a home of her own.

Laterally luxating patellas meant that her kneecaps popped out of place and moved to the side of her knees. Thankfully surgery has helped to correct some of the damage done. Bambi is healing well and now able to walk—nothing short of a miracle! She will need medication to lessen her discomfort and physical therapy and exercises will be necessary for the rest of her life. Bambi will need a truly patient and understanding adopter to insure that she is properly and diligently tended to—not to mention the extra love she deserves after all she has been through. Until that person comes, we will give Bambi everything she needs to stay strong and do as well as possible.

It is a sad reality, but cases of animal cruelty are still all too common. For staff and volunteers at North Shore Animal League America, seeing the pain and anguish in the eyes of an abused animal is a vision not easily forgotten. Bambi's story broke our hearts the moment she came through the doors of our Medical Center. She had been abandoned in a parking lot and left inside a small cat carrier. A Good Samaritan found her and rushed her to the League.

Upon her arrival we were appalled by her condition. Barely eight months old and weighing only eight pounds, she could not stand and her hind legs were completely disfigured. Bambi was extremely frightened, emaciated and dehydrated. There is no telling how much longer she would have lasted, or if we could save her now. One thing we did know was that we wouldn't give up on her the way someone else had.

Blossom is perhaps the worst case of neglect we have seen in a dog in some-



Blossom on the run in Brooklyn.



Blossom and her pups safe and secure at the League.