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BAMA BULLY RESCUE RECEIVES REMY FUND GRANT

**\$6,000 awarded to bully breed rescue to support their life-saving work in
Blount, Jefferson, Shelby, St. Clair and Walker Counties**

Birmingham, AL 8/22/2019 - Thanks to the Remy Fund, Catalina is receiving treatment for heartworm disease, Malibu can walk normally again following surgery to reconstruct her anterior cruciate ligament, and Albi had emergency surgery to remove a corn cob (yes, an actual corn cob!) from his colon. In an animal shelter setting, these are medical crises would almost certainly result in euthanasia. But thanks to the Remy Fund (Community Foundation of Greater Birmingham), Bama Bully Rescue (BBR) has been able to provide life-saving treatment to these wonderful bully breed ambassadors, allowing them to recuperate in loving foster homes as they prepare for their forever families.



Catalina



Malibu



Albie

BBR wants to thank the Remy Fund for their recent generous gift of \$6,000 to BBR. According to Melanie Hughes, Executive Director of BBR, "Local shelters call on us to rescue bully breed dogs that have tremendous potential but need veterinary treatment beyond what is routinely provided at the shelter. The Remy Fund's continuing commitment to helping abused and abandoned animals in our community is appreciated by those who help them and, most importantly, by the pups rescued from overburdened community animal shelters."

Because of their generous supporters, BBR has rescued 48 dogs in 2018, and 22 dogs so far this year. While in rescue, foster families help these dogs learn what it's like to be healthy and happy, in a loving, structured environment. Dogs rescued by BBR receive all vaccinations, necessary veterinary care, a microchip, and are spayed / neutered before adoption.

The overpopulation of bully breed dogs in our community is a serious problem, and BBR is committed to assuring all bully breed pets are spayed or neutered, so that fewer dogs end up in shelters. The Remy Fund donation will be used to provide spay/neuter services to not only the dogs accepted into our rescue program, but also dogs belonging to low income residents in the community and Good Samaritans who open their homes to stray animals and work hard to prepare them for adoption.

About Bama Bully Rescue:



Bama Bully Rescue, Inc. (BBR) is a non-profit, 501(c)(3) organization dedicated to creating pit bull breed ambassadors within the state of Alabama. To this end, we work with animal shelters to rescue pit bull type dogs who are overlooked for adoption and therefore at risk for euthanasia and pull them for placement in foster care. We also strive to educate the public about the true nature of bully breed dogs, encouraging responsible ownership by offering training, behavioral, and health care advice in hopes of decreasing the number of bullies that would, without such support, be relinquished by their owners.

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About the Community Foundation of Greater Birmingham:



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