

**ANIMAL
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**More than a Dozen Dogs Reported Missing in Small Swath of
Dorchester**

14 missing dogs since July 2018 in Franklin Field North/Grove Hall

Through reports filed with the Animal Rescue League of Boston (ARL), Boston Animal Control and Mass Missing Dogs, 14 dogs have been reported missing in the Franklin Field North, Grove Hall area of Dorchester since July 2018 to the present.

The dogs reported missing are all small breed dogs – Chihuahuas, Shih-tzu, Min-Pins – there is one confirmed case of a dog being stolen; the reason for the remaining missing animals is unknown.

Given the number of animals missing, ARL is reminding dog owners in the area to be mindful and vigilant of their surroundings while walking their dogs.

Additionally, ARL recommends that animals be microchipped, have updated tags, are kept on a leash and not left alone outdoors.

If your dog does go missing, it's imperative to file a lost report with ARL, Boston Animal Control and other organizations including Mass Missing Dogs to ensure that the report is being seen by as many people possible. It's recommended to post missing posters around the neighborhood as well.

If your dog is taken via a criminal act, contact Boston Police immediately.

ABOUT THE ANIMAL RESCUE LEAGUE OF BOSTON:

The Animal Rescue League of Boston (ARL) is an unwavering champion for animals in need, committed to keeping them safe and healthy in habitats and homes. Founded in 1899, ARL provides high quality veterinary care, adoption, and rescue services; while also confronting the root causes of animal cruelty and neglect through innovative community programs, police investigations, and public advocacy. In 2017, ARL served more than 18,000 animals throughout Massachusetts. ARL is a non-profit 501(c)3 organization. We receive no government grants or public funding and rely solely on the generosity of individuals to support programs and services that help animals in need.

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