

**ANIMAL
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of BOSTON**



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Puppy from Mississippi Cruelty Case Ready for Adoption

Puppy weighed just 12 pounds when rescued

The Animal Rescue League of Boston (ARL) is ready to find a home for a resilient puppy who was recently transported to the organization from a shelter in Mississippi after suffering from neglect.

ARL invites members of the media to meet this amazing puppy, learn more about his story and how ARL's efforts to help local animals increases its capacity to care for animals from other areas of the country where shelter overcrowding is common.

Media Availability

When: Monday, March 31, 9 a.m. – 1 p.m.

Where: ARL's Boston Animal Care and Adoption Center, 10 Chandler St., Boston

Interview Opportunities: ARL staff

Nutella, an 11-month-old mixed-breed puppy, was rescued from a property in Mississippi in early February along with seven other dogs. He was living in unsanitary conditions, was severely dehydrated and malnourished, weighing just 12 pounds. The owner of the dogs was charged with cruelty to animals.

The neglect and malnourishment he endured greatly stunted his growth and required him to be placed on a refeeding plan to gain weight safely and slowly. When he was healthy enough to be moved, he was brought to ARL as part of a transport of dogs through the ASPCA's Animal Relocation Program.

Nutella, who now weighs over 20 pounds, will be neutered and receive intense dental care before being made available for adoption. ARL is honored to help this young dog heal and find the home and life he deserves.

ARL has the space for Nutella and other transport animals thanks to the organization's long list of community resources to help keep local pets out of shelters and in homes with the people who love them. By keeping the shelter population low, ARL is able to extend its reach to give these animals a second chance and also helping decrease shelter overcrowding in other regions of the country.

For photos of the Nutella, please click the Dropbox link below:

<https://www.dropbox.com/scl/fo/qhet3a4rdiew2nfhkfz7v/APasp6PDrU0b9glgCtCRIUM?rlkey=cvgbjdijkaed7j2iqkxglrs9&st=iu7n75pc&dl=0>

ABOUT THE ANIMAL RESCUE LEAGUE OF BOSTON:

Pets are family. This belief is at the heart of everything we do at the Animal Rescue League of Boston. ARL is the first female-founded animal welfare organization in Massachusetts and is proud to carry on a legacy of kindness and compassion, helping more than 20,000 animals annually since 1899. Recognized for innovative, award-winning programs that go beyond sheltering, ARL addresses the root causes of the issues facing animals and the people who love them. By partnering with communities, ARL helps animals heal and thrive, keeps pets and people together, and protects animals from harm. Because there is no government funding for this important work, animals must rely on people like you to get the care they need, when they need it most, 365 days a year. For more information, visit arlboston.org and follow ARL on [Facebook](#), [LinkedIn](#), and [Instagram](#).

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