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RedRover Helping Hillsborough County Care for 350+ Dogs Rescued from Puppy Mill

Animal Seizure One of the Largest in the County's History

Hillsborough County, FL (October 15, 2019) – RedRover is on the ground October 15 - 21 to help Hillsborough County provide daily care and comfort to dogs rescued from horrible conditions at a local puppy mill. County workers found as many as 30 dogs cramped in cages meant for a single dog.

Hillsborough County evacuated and has taken custody of the dogs. Once the criminal investigation is complete and the puppies are in good health, they will be available for adoption.

RedRover sent eight RedRover Responders trained volunteers for seven days to help care for the animals. The RedRover Responders volunteers are traveling from Florida, Georgia and Tennessee to assist during this crisis.

"We are eager to help care for these poor pups that were found in such deplorable conditions," said RedRover Director of Field Services, Beth Gammie. "Some are suffering from dental disease, skin and eye infections and are in urgent or critical condition. RedRover Responders are committed to providing extra special care to these pups so they can find the love they deserve in their forever homes."

Distinguished by their red shirts, RedRover Responders volunteers are specially trained to care for and shelter large numbers of animals after they have been rescued from cruelty and neglect cases or natural disasters. The volunteers provide a skilled and compassionate workforce which enables a jurisdiction to address animal cruelty and neglect in their community.



With more than 4,000 trained volunteers in the United States and Canada, RedRover can deploy its volunteers quickly when communities become overburdened by a crisis involving large numbers of animals. In its 32-year history, RedRover has responded to more than 200 natural disasters and other crises around the country including the Hurricanes Michael, Irma, Harvey, Charley and Andrew, Superstorm Sandy and many more.

To donate to RedRover's Emergency Response Fund, visit <https://redrover.org/donateresponders>. To learn how to become a RedRover Responders volunteer, visit: <https://redrover.org/volunteer>.

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About RedRover

Since 1987, RedRover has focused on bringing animals out of crisis and strengthening the human-

animal bond through emergency sheltering, disaster relief services, financial assistance and humane education. RedRover is a founding member of the National Animal Rescue and Sheltering Coalition (NARSC), established after Hurricane Katrina's devastating impact to more people and animals than any other storm in the history of the United States. For the fourth consecutive year, RedRover's sound fiscal management practices and commitment to accountability and transparency have earned it a 4-star rating from [Charity Navigator](#), America's largest independent charity evaluator. To learn how RedRover is creating a more compassionate world, please visit [RedRover.org](#).