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Former Marine and retired nurse, Renee, knew something was wrong with her dog Mishka. When Mishka's symptoms didn't improve Renee turned to the SPCA Tampa Bay Veterinary Center for help. Renee recalls "I came right up 34th street and pulled right in." Mishka underwent a few tests and got x-rays while Renee anxiously waited.

The tests revealed that Mishka had life-threatening bladder stones, and she would need surgery to remove them. "My mind would not register it," Renee said. Feelings of guilt, panic and helplessness set in as she realized that she'd be unable to pay for the surgery.



She shared her story on social media, sold personal belongings, reached out to friends and family, and even created a GoFundMe campaign. And yet, Mishka's future remained uncertain. Renee never gave up.

Then she got great news - she had been awarded a grant from **SPCA Tampa Bay's Caldwell Keeping Families Together Fund!** This fund, which provides financial support to families who can't afford vet care, exists because donors like you wanted to make sure pets can stay with their families and not be surrendered or euthanized due to cost of care.



The grant covered a remarkable portion of the surgery, and Renee had raised enough to cover the difference. Today, Mishka is happy, healthy. Renee smiles as she pets Mishka lovingly on the head. "I'm very, very grateful for that fund and the kind people who donate to it."

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