

# Military Dogs Still in Danger, Await Rescue From Afghanistan

While the last U.S. military troops withdrew from Taliban-overrun Afghanistan on Monday, many Americans and Afghan allies were abandoned. But they weren't the only ones left to that fate.

A total of 51 contracted working military dogs were abandoned in Kabul. Veteran Sheepdogs of America, which tweeted it had raised \$ million—the cost for a 737 plane out of Kabul—had hoped to evacuate the dogs, but an animal rescue organization, American Humane fell through with its share of the funds, Fox News reported.

'So, we are scrambling to cover their (American Human) amount of \$500,000 of the \$ million, Veteran Sheepdogs tweeted.

*1/3 UPDATE!*

*51 contracted military working dogs are safe & being cared for in their crates. We had all funds for the plane, but an animal rescue org fell through. So we are scrambling to cover their amount of \$500,000 of the \$ million.*

*– Veteran Sheepdogs of America (@VetSheepdogsUS) August 31, 2021*

Monday afternoon, Veteran Sheepdogs of America tweeted that the dogs are “being watered and fed by a contractor and an Afghan refugee family we are rescuing. They are safe. Working on last-minute details in complete chaos of Kabul.”

*UPDATE: The 51 working dogs are being watered and fed by a contractor and an Afghan refugee family we are rescuing. They are safe. Working on last minute details in complete chaos of*

*Kabul.*

*– Veteran Sheepdogs of America (@VetSheepdogsUS) August 30, 2021*

Efforts are still being made to get the dogs out of Afghanistan, but their safety is not guaranteed considering the actions of the Taliban and other terrorist organizations over the past week there.

Fox News reported that American Humane—an organization committed to ensuring the safety and well-being of animals—said Monday it was “standing by to help transport K-9 soldiers to U.S. soil and provide for their lifetime medical care.”

In a statement, *Fox News* reported, Dr. Robin Ganzert, president of CEO of American Humane, said, “It sickens us to sit idly by and watch these brave dogs who valiantly served our country be put to death or worse. In order to prevent this tragedy from occurring, these K-9’s should be loaded into whatever cargo space remains and flown to safety.

“I am devastated by reports that the American government is pulling out of Kabul and leaving behind brave U.S. military contract working dogs to be tortured and killed at the hand of our enemies,” Ganzert added. “These brave dogs do the same dangerous, lifesaving work as our military working dogs, and deserved a far better fate than the one to which they have been condemned.”

*3/3 Working on funding for plane, quarantine in Germany for 30 days,& flights to US so dogs can be donated to police departments in need.*

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