

Great News!

Arizona Governor Ducey just signed our ban on dog racing into law!

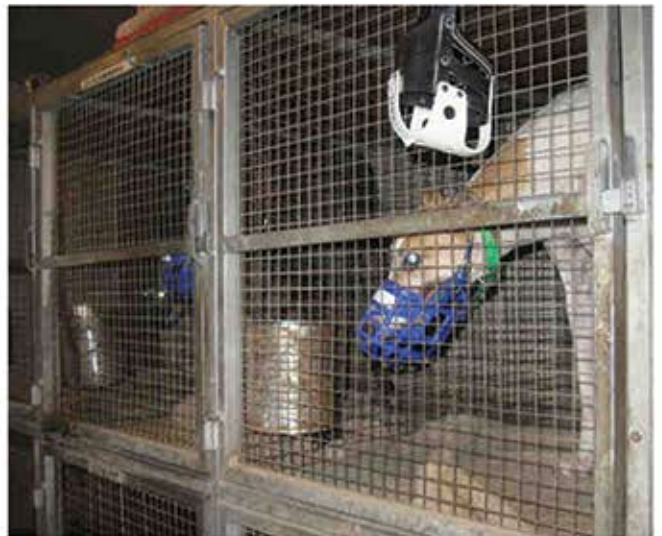


Dear Friends,

Today I bring you fantastic news about our fight to end dog racing. Arizona has just become the 40th state to make dog racing illegal, effective December 31, 2016! Even better, Tucson Greyhound Park is already winding down and will hold its last race this summer!

We thought it might never happen ... but it has. For years, greyhounds have suffered and died at Tucson Greyhound Park, Arizona's last dog track. It was in 1939 that the Grand Canyon State became one of the first to legalize greyhound racing. Five tracks were built and operated over the years, but only "TGP" remained.

Things were so bad there. Greyhounds were left to languish inside barren warehouse-style kennels. Many wore muzzles, a kind of double caging. The poor dogs had limited access to water and subsisted on a diet of raw, diseased meat. There were no toys for them and no play. What a terrible life!



Life inside the Tucson Greyhound Park Kennels, 2016

As many as 700 young dogs were kept in stacked metal cages for up to twenty-three hours a day. And when let out to race, these gentle hounds faced the risk of serious injury. One March night, a young dog with the grim name of "Night Mare" fell into the track's inner rail. She was instantly electrocuted before a small crowd of onlookers.



Raw and diseased "4D" meat fed to racing greyhounds

Unfortunately, she was not alone. According to state records, **45 dogs have died while racing in the last few years and over 400 were injured in 2008 alone. Dogs broke their legs, were paralyzed, suffered seizures, heat strokes and more — just so that someone could place a \$2 bet on them...**

Thankfully, those days are almost over! I couldn't be happier than to tell you that the last race will be held in Tucson in just a few days. Even better, all the remaining dogs will be placed with waiting adoption groups far and wide. This is the happy ending we have been hoping to achieve for the last ten years and I would like to **personally thank you for making this work possible.** This was a real a team effort!

Please support this successful campaign with a gift of \$25, \$50, \$100 or \$500 today. Every dollar you give brings us one step closer to ending greyhound cruelty worldwide.



We all know that dog racing is a major humane problem, but did you also know that it is draining government coffers? Nationwide, regulatory costs now exceed tax revenues, causing people like you and me to subsidize racing. Even worse, in Arizona, Tucson Greyhound Park obtained a so-called "hardship tax credit" which it used to avoid paying any taxes at all for the last 20 years.

Of course, the greyhounds are the ones who really paid the price for racing in Arizona. Bella Kingnarmer was a young greyhound who lost his leg racing at TGP. Sadly, we are too late to spare him, but **please help us rescue as many dogs as possible now.** We need to accelerate our campaigns at the 18 remaining tracks in Alabama, Arkansas, Florida, Iowa and West Virginia, while we continue to lay the groundwork for stopping dog racing worldwide.

Thankfully, one US state after another has turned its back on the cruelty of dog racing. Since our formation, more than thirty tracks have closed their doors. When we launched our campaign in 2001, there were 49 tracks in fifteen states. **Today, there are**

Bella Kingnarmer had his leg amputated after suffering an injury at Tucson Greyhound Park. Photograph from Greyhound-Data, 2009

only five racing states left. Additionally, we have worked to block the legalization of dog racing to countries such as the Philippines, Jamaica and South Africa. **The trend is definitely with the greyhounds!**

GREY2K USA Worldwide is the only organization that has ever worked in the legislative process to prohibit dog racing. We don't just close tracks, we keep them closed. When you support our campaigns, you become part of the most successful effort ever to save greyhounds.

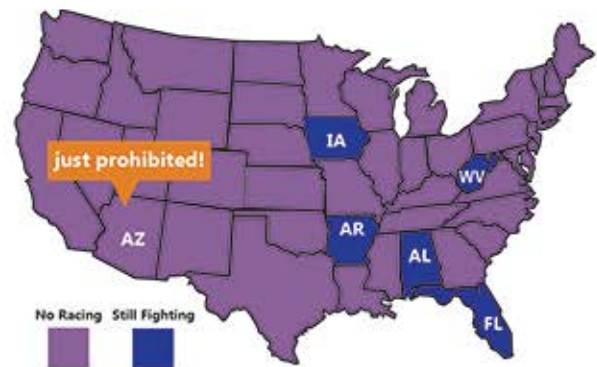
We want to keep working until dog racing is history. **Won't you please help the greyhounds with a gift of \$25, \$50, \$100, \$500 or more today?** Please accept the enclosed magnet as our way of saying thanks ahead of time!



For the greyhounds,

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