

## The DogChannel Newswire (01-27-09)

**Taco Bell ordered to pay up for Chihuahua; dogs targeted in the war on gangs; and other news.**

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### Taco Bell Ordered to Pay Chihuahua's Creators \$42 Million

A federal appeals court ordered Taco Bell to pay the creators of the fast-food chain's popular Chihuahua sales mascot \$42 million, USA Today reports.

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### Dogs Are a Target in the War on Gangs

The mayor of Lancaster, Calif., supports a measure he hopes would harass owners of "beasts" that act as weapons, the Los Angeles Times reports.

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### In Ventura, Calif., the Plot Thickens

Residents clash over returning a city park where dogs roam free back to its past life as a cemetery, the Los Angeles Times reports.

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### More Than 100 Feral Cats, Dogs From Mobile Home Euthanized

More than 100 feral cats and dogs were euthanized after authorities found them living among the remains of hundreds of other dead animals that were dumped in trash bags at a man's rented property in Temecula, Calif., The Associated Press reports.

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### Rescued Greyhound Cares for Orphaned Animals

When police rescued a Greyhound they named Jasmine from a locked garden shed, she was covered in dry mud, shivering, and starving. They took the abandoned dog to the Nuneaton and Warwickshire Wildlife Sanctuary where she could be nursed back to health. Now she takes care of other orphaned animals, Examiner.com reports.

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