

HI, I'M A COMMUNITY VOLUNTEER. I WANT TO REMIND YOU:

EVERY YEAR, DOGS SUFFER AND DIE WHEN THEIR **GUARDIANS MAKE** THE MISTAKE OF LEAVING THEM IN A PARKED CAR-**EVEN FOR "JUST A** MINUTE"-WHILE THEY RUN AN ERRAND.

Help us save lives, help us remind others



## PLEASE DON'T LEAVE ME IN A HOT CAR

- 1. Dogs are especially vulnerable to heat-related illness because they can only cool off by panting and through the pads in their feet.
- 2. Even on seemingly mild days, an enclosed car can be deadly. In a Stanford University study, when it was 72 degrees outside, a car's internal temperature climbed to 116 degrees within one hour.
- 3. Enclosed cars heat up quickly. In a study by San Francisco State University, when it was 80 degrees outside, the temperature inside a car rose to 99 degrees in 10 minutes and 109 degrees in 20 minutes.
- 4. A dog's normal body temperature is between 101 to 102.5 degrees; a dog can only withstand a high body temperature for a short time before suffering nerve damage, heart problems, liver damage, brain damage or even death.
- 5. Studies show that cracking the windows has little effect on a car's internal temperature.

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