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Actress adopts pit bull mix from LI shelter

A pit bull mix scheduled to be euthanized in North Carolina has found a new home with actress **Stockard Channing**, who adopted the puppy through Sagaponack-based Gimme Shelter Animal Rescue on Sunday. Channing was “heartbroken” when she had to euthanize her elderly pit mix recently, says Gimme Shelter director **Michelle Montak**. Shortly after losing Fanula, Channing reached out to Montak. And that same day, Montak received a plea from a shelter with a 1-year-old pit mix slated to be euthanized. Montak phoned the New York-based actress, who she said took one look at the puppy and told Montak, “Oh my God. We have to save this dog.” Channing met the dog — renamed Benny — on Sunday.



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