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**Gidget was thinner but healthy after a cross-country adventure.**

## Dog lost in Pennsylvania is recovered in Oregon

A dog found more than 2,500 miles away from home after vanishing five months ago will be flown back to her owner by the company that made the microchip responsible for identifying the animal.

The female Jack Russell terrier named Gidget was discovered outside Portland, Oregon, by a shelter volunteer earlier this month after the dog was reported missing near Philadelphia, Pennsylvania, in April.

The shelter used the dog's PetLink embedded microchip to find her owner, who could not afford the cost of a flight for her pet, said shelter services manager Deborah Wood.

When news of the dog's journey began to draw attention, PetLink offered to pay for Gidget's trip home, and an anonymous donor volunteered to cover all other animal-care costs, Wood said.

"She's become a celebrity dog," Wood said. "She's been getting her fair share of doting at the shelter, but our No. 1 priority is to reunite her with her person."

Gidget's owner, she added, has asked to remain anonymous.

— Reuters

