



## **Sofa Dog**

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### **Tennessee Author Releases New Picture Book for All Ages About Sofa Dog, an Inspiring Heaven-Sent Dog Loved By Children**

*Author Heddie Wittlin-Leger wrote Sofa Dog's inspiring story to share the legend of this heaven-sent dog. Sofa Dog is always there when a child in distress most needs him and "releases the child to slumber land." Sofa Dog provides assurance, solace, calm, and peace.*

GREENSBORO, NC—FEBRUARY 6, 2019—*Sofa Dog* starts with a history of Sofa Dog. The dog comes to comfort children in duress. Children "can hear his breathing and the padding of his huge paws." Most adults have never heard him. "Sofa Dog invites [children] to lean on him, sit with him, and relax for a moment to release their fears." In the first crisis in *Sofa Dog's* story, an earthquake toppled buildings, broke water mains, broke roads and highways, and created cracks in the ground. Sofa Dog appeared and released the child in duress to slumber land.

In the second scenario, a tornado bore down on towns, cities, and farms. It splintered trees, homes, and buildings into toothpicks. It threw cars like children's toys. It left a blanket of debris. Sofa Dog appeared and offered the child "solace and safety in the midst of chaos." In the third scenario, the child was asleep in bed. He heard gunshots and could see light through the hole in his window and the second hole in his wall. Sofa Dog appeared and filled him "with a sense of calm and peace."

In the fourth and final scenario, the child has been placed with a foster family because her mother had died and her dad was in the military. Via a phone call, her foster mother found out her dad was MIA. The girl missed him with all her heart and was scared and lonely. Though her foster parents were nice, they weren't her dad. Her foster family couldn't make her sadness stop like her dad could. Sofa Dog appeared and surrounded her with soft, warm comfort. She knew immediately it was Sofa Dog, because she'd heard about him. Her tears gushed as she buried her face into his fur.

*Sofa Dog* is a compelling, heartwarming, hopeful story about imaginary dogs that have only appeared to children coming out of disasters. On every page, readers will find themselves drawn to the resounding themes of survival no matter what tragedies happen in our lives and Sofa Dog having provided children with much-needed calm, peace, solace, and assurance.

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