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Jackson Woman Recovering From Dog Attack

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JACKSON, Miss. -- A Jackson woman is recovering after two loose dogs attacked her Monday morning.

Dorothy Watkins was walking down Adelle Street just off North West Street at about 9 a.m. She said one of the mixed-breed dogs bit her on the hand, while the other bit her on the leg.

"This hand went into the other one's mouth, but I was trying to make sure that he wouldn't go for my face," she said.

Manuel Davis, who was inside his house at the time, helped bandage Watkins after the attack. He said the dogs' owners moved away.

"The owner had just left them abandoned, and when people be walking through here, they try to attack certain people, and there are some they don't attack," Davis said.

Animal control officers said they have received several complaints from residents in the area.

Since then, dog traps and extra animal patrol routes have been set up.

"For me to get attacked, to whoever owns these dogs to sit there and let it happen -- it could have been a child, it could have been anybody," Watkins said.

From January to October, animal control officers said they've handled 15 dog-bite cases in Jackson.

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