Introducing van Gogh…a remarkable pup who has had a traumatic beginning of life. This petite 8 lb, gray/white, 1.5-2 yr old Shih Tzu mix was either attacked by another dog or an animal who mutilated his ear flap and it could not be saved. Unlike his namesake, who was mentally ill and cut off a portion of his own ear, our van Gogh is amazingly well adjusted and just a happy go lucky fellow! His foster says that despite his malady, it doesn't stop him for a minute! When we went to see him at the shelter, he started kissing through the bars of the kennel and there was NO WAY we could leave him there! Definitely a kissy face puff baby!! He learned the doggie door in about a week…LOVES to play with toys…has a lot of fun playing with his roommates and his human! Van Gogh can be independent and when you call him, he comes to you from wherever he has been! Learning to walk better on a leash, van Gogh loves to play in the yard with his toys and his friends. He would love to have a playful, young companion – and a yard would be fantastic! A family with well mannered kids (over 8 yrs) would also make him very happy…but not necessary. He is still a puppy in many ways, but he has shown himself to be potty trained (no guarantees at your house) but is still a bit mouthy when playing so kids over 8 yrs old would be recommended. His hair should ultimately grow and cover/protect his ear, but you will need to be careful to watch for any infections in the meantime. His surgery has not affected his hearing whatsoever. Do you have the heart and home for this absolutely adorable baby boy?