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Helping People & Their Pets

When I first arrived in what seems like years ago, my focus was not only on the animals in our care, but the people and pets of Columbus and the Chattahoochee Valley. How could we better serve our Community?

When COVID-19 happened, what happened next, no one could foresee. However, it caused us to look more deeply at how we can help those most in need.

We realized, not only in times of the pandemic, but all the time, people are so desperately in need of help. Not only keeping their pets, but also feeding their pets was a priority for so many.

I think the comment made by Donna Kennedy during our last Pet Food Pantry, sums it up.

“You saw me. You saw that I was struggling and you helped me”.



Their priority became our priority with the Paws Humane Pet Food Pantry.

It is our privilege and honor to serve and support.

Tricia

Tricia Montgomery
Chief Executive Officer
Paws Humane Society

We Love Visitors!

Hours of Operation:

Monday – Friday:

10 a.m. - 6 p.m.

Saturday:

10 a.m. - 5 p.m.

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Mission

To enrich the lives of both animals and people as a solution-based community resource for animal welfare by providing high-volume and high-quality spay/neuter, rescue and adoption services, volunteer opportunities, outreach, and education.

Vision

To be the regional leader for animal welfare in adoption, spay/neuter, outreach, and education to ultimately create a No Kill Community.

In-Home Heroes

More often than not, Paws Humane receives urgent pleas for assistance to save neonatal puppies. These “bottle babies” as we like to call them have, for one reason or another, been abandoned or separated from their mother. It is crucial these tiny puppies receive the nutrients and care they need from their mother, so when we are called to help, time is of the essence. It is no small task to care for a litter of puppies whose only chance at survival is in the hands of our staff. That’s when our “in-home heroes”, known to most as foster parents, step in. Every time we put the call out, a generous family steps up to the plate to take in puppies for weeks at a time. Fostering is just one of the many ways to make a difference and give back to animals in the Chattahoochee Valley. If you are interested in joining our incredible group of foster parents, please visit us at pawshumane.org/get-involved.



Our supporters had a **PAW-SITIVE IMPACT IN 2020!**

55,772

miles driven by volunteers to relocate

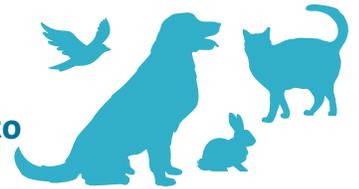


529 animals in Georgia, Alabama, Florida, South Carolina, New York, and Pennsylvania.



1,556

pets were adopted into loving, happy homes.



672
DOGS

847
CATS

37
CRITTERS

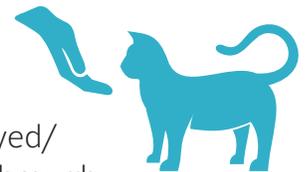
1,039

animals in foster homes thanks to **249** foster families



1,564

community cats were spayed/neutered and vaccinated through our **Community Cat TNR program.**



791

Cats and dogs were cared for through the **Pets for Life** program, including **496 treatment & wellness procedures** and **295 spay/neuter surgeries**



48,192

volunteer hours logged for the year.



6,835



spay/neuter surgeries were performed by the Paws Humane Society Veterinary Clinic. Other procedures included:

 **10,350 Vaccines given**

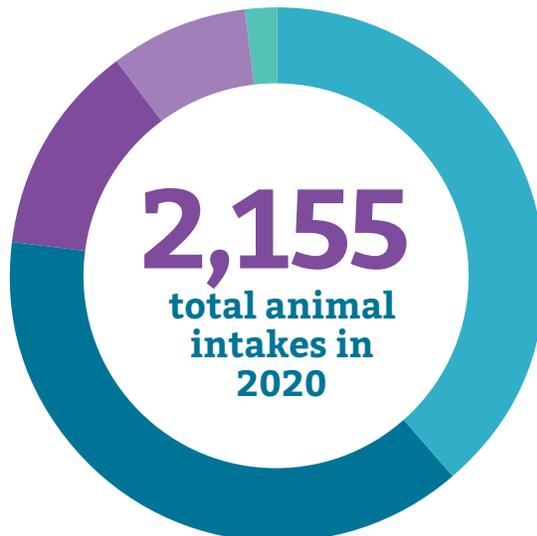
 **6,113 Wellness appointments**

 **3,489 Microchips implanted**

 **511 Heartworm treatments**

 **140 Surgical procedures**

 **13 Dental cleanings**



837 Columbus Animal Care and Control

826 Owner Surrender

273 Other

177 Transfers

42 Disaster Response

Valentino's Second Chance

As a lost stray dog wandering the streets of Columbus, Valentino was suffering from much more than his rescuers could tell. His incredibly sweet disposition is all it took for us to transfer him into our care, but upon a standard intake evaluation, it was revealed that Valentino was in critical condition and needed emergency medical care to save his life.

As if heartworm disease and pneumonia weren't enough, Valentino took a significant turn for the worst when caretakers at Paws Humane found him coughing up blood. His X-rays and further evaluations painted a grim

picture: Valentino was battling severe anemia with fluid on his lungs and an enlarged heart.

Immediately, Valentino received a blood transfusion, and after around-the-clock care and supervision for many days, he headed to foster care to finish recovering in a warm and quiet environment. It took more than a month for this resilient white freckled pup to completely recover from his long list of illnesses, but his fight to survive was unmatched, and he made a complete turnaround.

Because of friends like you, in his most critical moments, we were



able to save Valentino's life. Thank you, on behalf of all of our shelter animals, for believing in our lifesaving work.

Shelter Wish List

During some of the most critical and unprecedented times we've ever faced, providing for each of our animals remains top priority. At any given time, we care for more than 100 animals, each needing necessary pet supplies. It has been harder than ever, through this pandemic, to keep up with the needs from our seven lifesaving programs. We continue to be dedicated to our mission of helping the people and pets of the Chattahoochee Valley, and with your support, we know anything is possible.



Items of Need:

- Dry dog and cat food
- Wet dog and cat food
- Cat litter (non-clumping)
- Interactive cat toys
- Peanut butter
- KONG dog toys



- Dog treats
- Nylabone dog toys
- Puppy training pads
- Bleach (non-scented)

Full wish list can be found at pawshumane.org/ways-to-give.