

Impact Report

APRIL 1, 2021 — MARCH 31, 2022



From April 2021 through March 2022, Seattle Humane served **50,000 people and their pets** through our many programs.

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Message from the CEO

Greetings,

I continue to be grateful and humbled to be part of such an amazing team of Seattle Humane staff, volunteers and community advocates.

Over the last fiscal year, April 2021 – March 2022, the shelter placed thousands of pets into loving homes, provided much-needed relief through our Pet Food Bank and conducted community wellness clinics for those needing support. In addition, we continue to inspire and train the next generation of veterinarians and animal welfare advocates

Seattle Humane also developed and launched our five-year strategic vision, grounded in increasing access to care and rising up to meet the current and future needs of pets and people in our community. In February 2022, we welcomed our new Chief Operating Officer, Libby Jones, whose expertise

and leadership are invaluable as we strive to be the region's pet resource center for families from all walks of life.

Thank you for supporting Seattle Humane's work today and our vision for the future. Enclosed in this report is a snapshot of the team's work and the incredible impact your support makes possible every day. Seattle Humane has a bright future, and I'm grateful that you're a part of it!

Onward,

A handwritten signature in black ink, which appears to read "Chris Ross". The signature is stylized and fluid.

Christopher Ross
CEO, Seattle Humane



Saving Lives Through Core Programs

VETERINARY SERVICES

12,751

exams and **428** special surgeries

3,759

spay and neuter surgeries for shelter and community pets

46

fourth-year WSU veterinary students and interns completed on-site training

OUR MISSION

We proudly promote the human-animal bond by saving and serving pets in need, regardless of age, ability, circumstance or geography.

ADOPTION SERVICES

3,808

dogs, cats and critters adopted

BEHAVIOR PROGRAM

565

pets helped through behavior consultations

LIFESAVER RESCUE PROGRAM

3,393

pets transferred from shelter partners

Saving the Most Vulnerable Pets

Thanks to our generous supporters, Seattle Humane's Isolation (ISO) Ward is fully equipped to handle highly infectious conditions such as parvovirus, panleukopenia and even ringworm, which are often too much for overcrowded shelters to manage.

The 'E' kittens – Ellen, Elias, Emelia, Esther and Ethell – spent two weeks in ISO for panleukopenia, where they received intravenous fluids, antibiotics, medications and nutritional support. After spending time in a loving foster home, all five survived and found loving families.



Ellen and Emelia (now Gracie and Lucy) were adopted together. "You'd never know they were ever sick," their mom shares. "They bring so much joy to our house and make even hard days happy."



A Second Chance for Patsy

Seattle Humane's Lifesaver Rescue Program pulls pets from overcrowded and disaster-stricken shelters here in Washington and across the nation.

Texas-based rescue Saving Shelter Strays reached out to Seattle Humane after seeing Patsy in an overcrowded shelter. Patsy had an eye injury and needed a surgery that neither the shelter nor the rescue was equipped to provide.



Once transferred to our Bellevue shelter, our veterinary team performed surgery to remove Patsy's injured eye. After a few weeks of recovery, she was adopted.

Now named Piper, her new mom calls her "the best dog I could ever ask for," adding that "she has been the best addition to my life."

Supporting Pets & Their People Through Community Programs

PET FOOD BANK

30,000

meals provided monthly and increasing rapidly

SPOT (SUPPORTING PET OWNERS IN TRANSITION) TEMPORARY FOSTER PROGRAM

90

pets helped



A SPOT of Help for Doug and Sheeba

Vincent was living out of his car with his two beloved dogs, Doug and Sheeba, when he reached out to Seattle Humane's SPOT (Supporting Pet Owners in Transition) temporary foster program for support in early 2021. He was hoping to find short-term housing for them while he received treatment for a substance use disorder and mental health support.

Over their time in SPOT, Doug and Sheeba's foster parents shared updates and photos with Vincent.

"They looked loved, and that really encouraged me," said Vincent. Vincent eventually completed treatment and was reunited with Doug and Sheeba a few weeks later. He has since started a new full-time job, re-enrolled in school and is on track to complete his master's degree in social work.

"The SPOT program really helped me be able to settle down and not have to worry about these guys and be able to rebuild my life like I needed to."

PET RESOURCE CENTER

\$127,463 distributed

449 pets helped through the Pet Owner Assistance and Polly's Pocket Funds

COMMUNITY MEDICINE

2,303 exams and

2,964 vaccines provided

PETS FOR LIFE

211 clients and

393 community pets served

HUMANE EDUCATION

1,155

kids and teens participated in youth programs

Visit [SeattleHumane.org](https://seattlehumane.org) and give today to support programs like these and many more!



After receiving support through SPOT, Vincent was reunited with his beloved dogs Doug and Sheeba. Scan the QR code below to watch an interview with Vincent.



Photo updates of Doug and Sheeba cuddled in blankets and enjoying time outdoors eased Vincent's mind knowing that his beloved dogs were with a family who loved and cared for them as he would.



Thanking Our Generous Community

DONATIONS & PLANNED GIFTS

\$8,934,402

in gifts received

VOLUNTEERS

106,548

volunteer hours

FOSTER FAMILIES

1,322

pets received foster care

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'Pack Leader' Polly Still Helping Other Pets

"Throughout the ups and downs in our lives, Polly was the most wonderful and steady companion. Always knowing how to make us feel better and immediately sensing when not to leave our sides," her mom says.

Over the years, Polly's family would go on to rescue several other dogs, ranging from shy or sick pups to disabled seniors. Polly welcomed and nurtured each one. She was the pack leader, fiercely protecting her loved ones, both human and animal.

In the summer of 2020, 10-year-old Polly was diagnosed with intestinal cancer. Polly died a year after her diagnosis, following an emergency surgery to remove the tumors and six months of chemotherapy. Polly's parents were still grateful for the extra time they had with her, and the additional memories they made together.

To honor Polly's lifetime of love and empathy, her family created a fund at Seattle Humane – the Polly's Pocket Fund – for families needing help with lifesaving or life-extending treatment for a sick or injured pet.

Polly's family said they'll always be grateful for the final year they had with Polly after her cancer diagnosis. This fund is a way to both honor Polly and help families in need facing a costly surgery or procedure that could change the life of a cherished pet. To them, every animal helped is another member of "Polly's Pack."

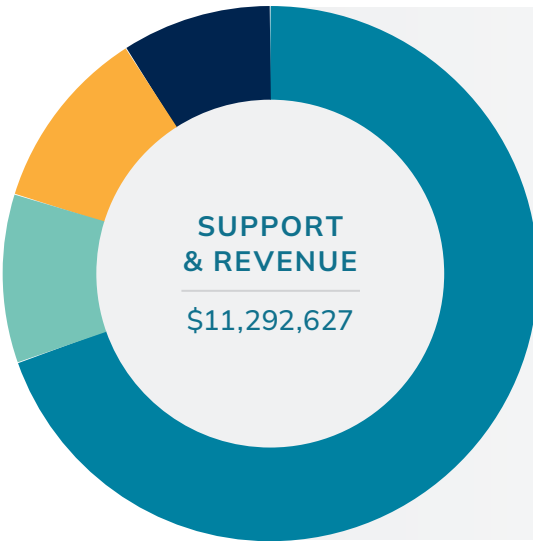


*Polly, the little dog whose
boundless love inspired the
creation of Polly's Pocket Fund.*

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to get involved and support our lifesaving work!



Financials

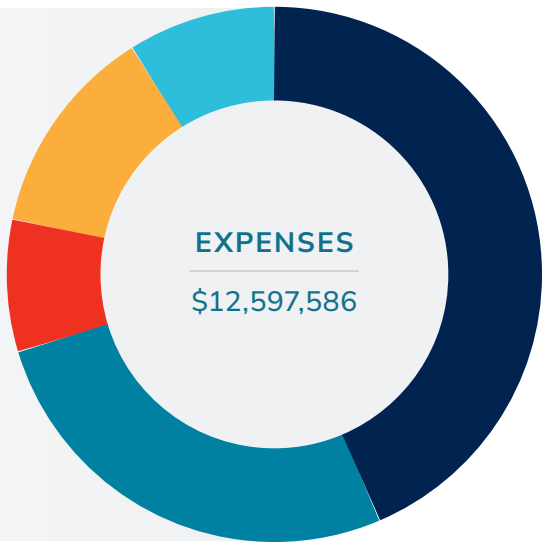


With close to 80% of our operational funding coming directly from donors, we rely on your support to provide critical programs and services for pets in our region.

- Donations & fundraising**
\$7,810,724 (69%)
- Bequests & planned giving**
\$1,123,678 (10%)
- Investment & Misc. revenue, net**
\$1,293,820 (11%)
- Program revenue**
\$1,064,405 (9%)

Nearly 80 cents of every dollar we spend supports the pets in our care and community programming.

- Shelter Care & Adoptions**
\$5,491,868 (44%)
- Veterinary Care**
\$3,424,237 (27%)
- Community Programs**
\$950,051 (8%)
- Fundraising**
\$1,657,212 (13%)
- Administration**
\$1,074,218 (9%)





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