



Humane Society
OF SUMMIT COUNTY™



2020 Impact Report

A Note from our President & CEO

As we reflect on 2020, I am proud that our Humane Society has emerged stronger and more committed than ever to serving animals and the people of our community who love them. Thanks to you, our dedicated supporters, we were able to continue our mission to help every animal who needed us during the pandemic as well as meet emerging needs of Summit County pets and pet owners.

In 2021, our organization embraces a clear vision for a compassionate community that treats animals humanely and supports pet owners through challenging times. While animal rescue and sheltering remains at the core of our work, we also aim to provide a continuum of services that help pets and pet owners in new ways.

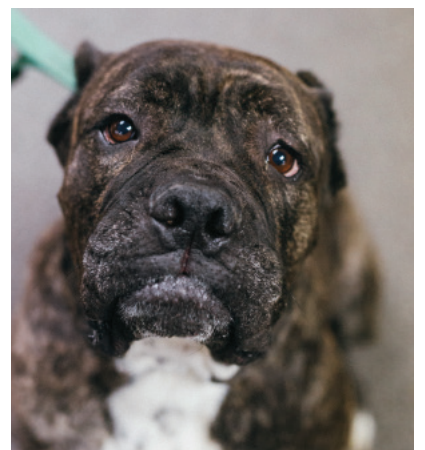
We are inspired by the pets that walk through our doors daily — victims of abuse, neglect, abandonment, and unthinkable cruelty. These dogs, cats, and critters are resilient. They have the capacity to heal, to trust, and to hope for a safe future in a loving home. Perhaps, through this lifesaving mission, we can complete a family, like yours, through the adoption of a rescued pet and help all members of our community, human and animal, know more compassion.

Your support makes our vision a reality. Thank you.

Sincerely,

Diane Johnson-Owens

Diane Johnson-Owens, President & CEO



Cider's Second Chance

When Cider arrived at our shelter starving after having been abandoned in early September of 2020, she shockingly weighed just 21 lbs, her bones visible throughout her body. Cider had nearly starved to death.

At our shelter, Cider was given antibiotics, intravenous fluids, and small meals to nurse her body back to life. Throughout all of her treatment, Cider was happy, sweet, brave, and always eager to greet her caregivers.

Over several weeks of rehabilitation, Cider gained weight and strength. Soon enough, she was running, playing, and joyful! Little did Cider know, but her best day ever was

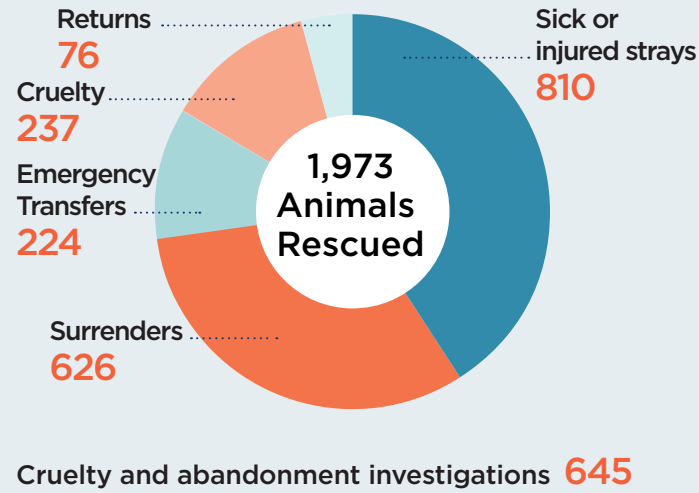
right around the corner — Adoption Day! Cider found her forever family in October and has since been enjoying a life filled with love and comfort!

For animals like Cider, help cannot come soon enough. Luckily, the Humane Society of Summit County is dedicated to rescuing, rehabilitating, and finding homes for our community's most vulnerable animals. We are proud to be their light in the darkness and hope for the future.

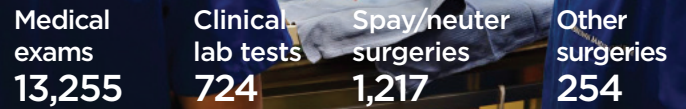


2020 by the Numbers

Rescue



Rehabilitation



Foster and Volunteer

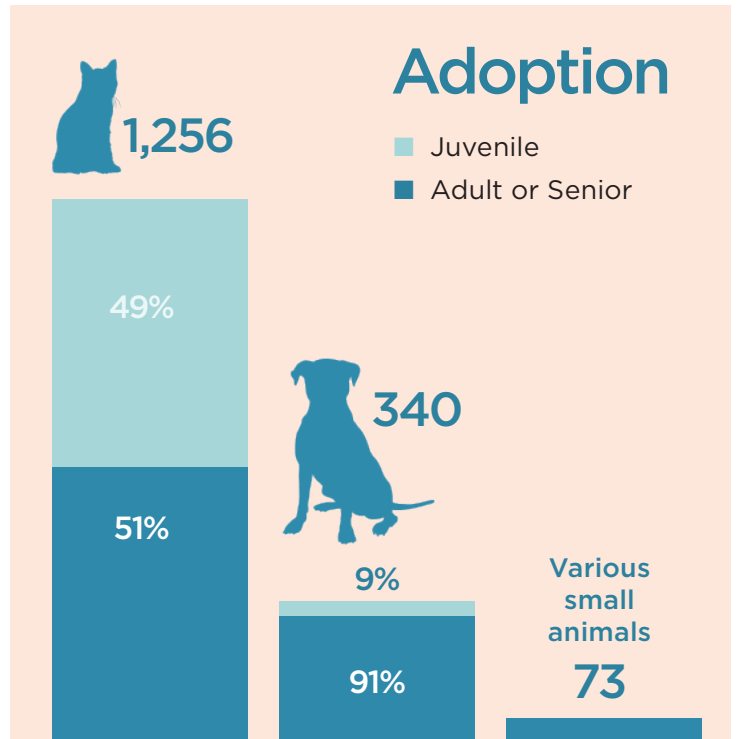


Foster families
150

Fostered kittens and cats
611

Fostered puppies and dogs
90

Adoption



Outreach



Visits from the Mobile Adoption Center
17

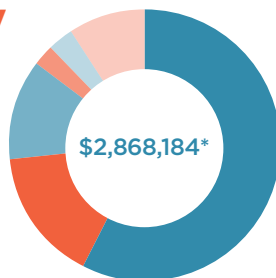
Students completed the No More Bullying!® education program
302

Financial Summary

Total giving
\$2,450,221*

Number of donations
16,680

Value of in-kind donations
\$55,050*

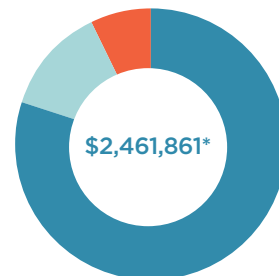


Revenue

- Donations
- Bequests
- Events
- Government
- Adoptions
- Miscellaneous

Expenses

- Programs
- Fundraising
- Management



*Reflects pre-audited financial position.

Reflecting on 2020's Silver Linings

This year, our foster care team trained and placed three times more animals in therapeutic foster homes than ever before! 56 of these pets won over their foster families — becoming forever families!



Thanks to a grant made possible by Akron Community Foundation, the County of Summit, and the CARES Act, **HSSC distributed nearly 20,000 pounds of pet food through area food pantries to assist struggling pet owners.**

HSSC assisted in an international canine rescue from a dog meat farm in

South Korea by welcoming six of these dogs into our shelter — and all have found new forever homes!

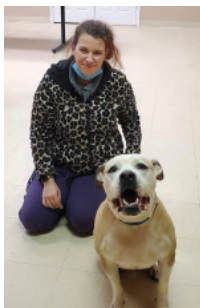
Thanks to a generous donor, several outdated fixtures in our veterinary suite were updated,

including surgical lighting and an autoclave, that now help staff provide the best care possible.

Our adoption system has adapted to help ensure the safety of staff and adopters. Prospective families schedule an appointment and adoption counselors help identify animals that fit their lifestyle — resulting in stronger matches and fewer returns.

Humane Officers rescued 65 mostly orange cats from one home. While the cats were not abused, the overwhelmed owner needed help. The cats received veterinary care and all were adopted within weeks.

Buddy, a staff and volunteer favorite, first arrived at



HSSC in 2018 and was adopted and returned three times before his owner, Julia, recognized him from our website as her dog stolen from her home eight years ago. **Reunited, Buddy, now Junior, is living the good life** and their amazing story went viral around the world!

Read more incredible stories of our animal rescue work online at summithumane.org.



Mission

Humane Society of Summit County serves our community by caring and advocating for vulnerable animals and enriching the lives of pets and people.

Vision

A more compassionate and humane community for animals.

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