### Humane Society OF SUMMIT COUNTY"

# 2021 Impact Report

### A Note from our President & CEO

2021 has been a year of hope and promise at the Humane Society of Summit County (HSSC). Over 2,300 animals were rescued and given a second chance through the lifesaving veterinary resources, daily care, and adoption services we provide.

Over the past year, there have been continued challenges in our community, and the needs of abused and vulnerable animals have not diminished. We have faced these challenges and met the needs. For the animals, they find hope and healing within our walls. For the people and pet owners of our community, we offer support and compassion through a continuum of community resources.

As we embrace the possibilities of 2022, we are inspired by the animals we serve — those victims of cruelty, neglect, and abandonment. These pets show us unbridled determination through their ability to heal, trust, and hope for a better future.

In this new year, we will expand our public veterinary and food pantry services, enrich our rescue services, enhance our animal housing, and faithfully serve the thousands of animals in Summit County who need us. We will also help families like yours find unconditional love through adoption of rescued pets. With everything happening in the world today, it's nice to know improving the lives of animals is a way we can all come together.

Your support makes this work possible. Thank you for the many ways you help us meet our mission.

Sincerely,

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### Titan's Road to Recovery



The life of a stray is no life for a senior dog, and Titan got lucky when a good Samaritan brought him to our shelter. It was immediately clear that Titan was suffering from a great deal of pain, and something was wrong with his face.

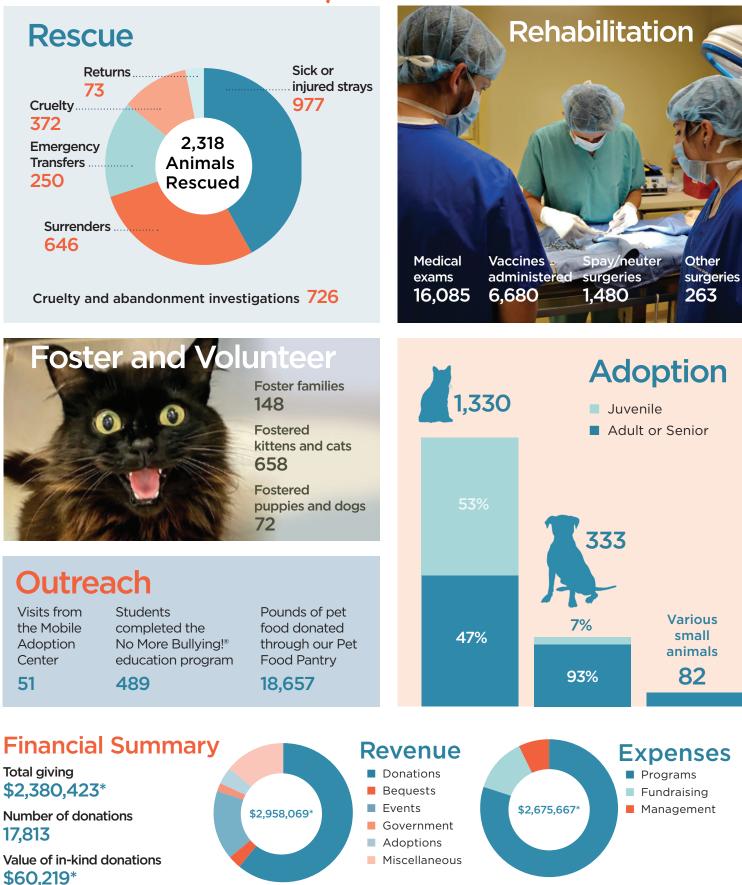
At our shelter, medical staff worked quickly to clean Titan's infected ears and determine the source of his immense pain. The other pressing matter was the difference in Titan's face from left side to right side. After running diagnostic tests, our shelter veterinarian determined Titan had permanent paralysis on the left side of his face, though the cause was unclear.

Soon, Titan underwent x-rays in hopes of finding the root of his

discomfort. The radiographs showed Titan was suffering from pretty severe arthritis in his spine and hips. Finally able to receive relief from his pain, Titan's joyful personality began to shine! In no time at all, Titan won over his forever family and is now enjoying life in a loving home!



# 2021 by the Numbers



\*Reflects pre-audited financial position.

# Happy Endings 7it for Presidents

In November, Akron Municipal Court awarded ownership of more than 50 animals rescued from a condemned home to the Humane Society of Summit County. These animals, named after presidents, were living in horrendous conditions with little access to food and water, and many were suffering from intense illnesses when they arrived at HSSC. Given expert medical care and the time to learn to trust people, nearly all the cats and dogs have now found loving forever homes.

#### An update on the Presidential Pets from their forever families:



Adams, now known as Louie, has jumped right into his new life. "We have been blessed with the sweetest, cuddliest little lovebug! I marvel at how loving this dear little boy is, especially coming from that background! He sleeps with me every night and has just been a joy!!"

"We adopted a cat named Lincoln. He is a ball of energy. He is my shadow. He is a very

loving boy. We have 2 other cats, both are 10 years old, so they are adjusting to having a little brother. We are very happy to have added Lincoln to our family."

"Clinton aka Lulu is doing so good. She is adjusting very well. My sons and I love her so much & we are so happy to be able to give her a great home!"



Taft, now known as Tee Tee, is adapting very well: "We are so happy to have Tee Tee as part of our



family! She loves giving and getting kisses. She's very quick to cuddle up, roll on her back for belly rubs. I believe she is happy to be part of our family."

Read about this rescue and more incredible stories of our lifesaving work online at summithumane.org.

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Mission

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#### (Vision

A more compassionate and humane community for animals.

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