

2,781

companion animals admitted

684

animals transferred in from other groups

474

lost pets reunited with their owners



Dane County Humane Society

2020

Annual Report

1,886

total animals adopted

953 cats adopted

697 dogs adopted

236 other species adopted

2,782

injured, ill and orphaned animals treated at Dane County Humane Society's Wildlife Center

Save Rate

is the percentage of live animals released by means of adoption, redemption and transfer during a given time period. Save Rate does not include the starting animal inventory for the given time period.

Save Rate = (Adoptions + Redemptions + Transfers)/Intake



94%

save rate for all companion animals
highest save rate ever

95%

save rate for cats

93%

save rate for dogs





2,782

wild animals were admitted after being found ill, injured or orphaned

145 Unique Species

admitted during 2020



106 avian

24 mammal

15 reptile/
amphibian

▶ Canada Geese are frequently admitted to our Wildlife Center for rehabilitation, and a goose with complex medical needs arrived in November. Caring finders rescued a goose found sitting on the ground in a residential area of Waunakee, unable to fly. On admission, x-rays confirmed that it had been shot and injured. The bird suffered two separate and partially open fractures to its left wing and leg. Patient #20-2643 underwent surgery with University of Wisconsin Veterinary Care – Special Species Health Service and spent two months recovering with the help of licensed wildlife rehabilitators in our wildlife program. This bird was housed in our newly constructed Sundance Center with two other geese until it was successfully released in January 2021.



Barn

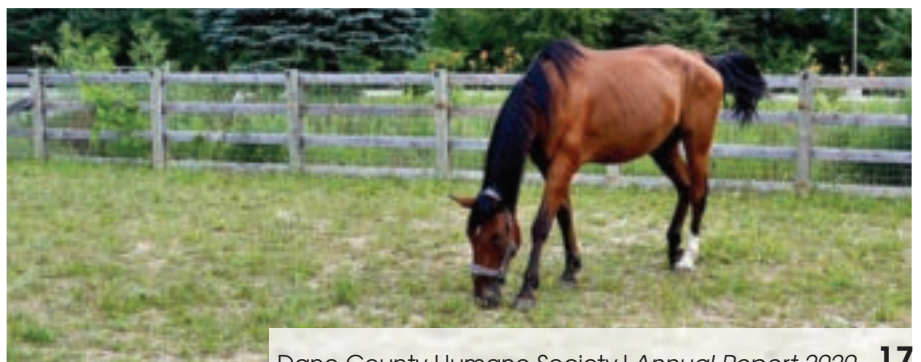
31 barn animals were cared for by Dane County Humane Society

13 chickens **6** horses

3 ducks **2** pigs

4 geese **3** turkeys

▼ John, a stunning 16-year-old gelding, came to DCHS as a lost animal. After consistent care and positive reinforcement, this gentle soul was finally adopted 75 days later.



Animal Medical Services

7,206
medical exams performed

1,185
spay/neuter surgeries performed
on 700 cats, 453 dogs
and 32 rabbits

141
dental surgeries performed on
109 cats and 32 dogs

82
other surgeries performed such as
amputations, mass removals, enucleations
and exploratory abdominal

64
UW veterinary students attended ambulatory
rotations (in-person and virtually) at
DCHS to learn about shelter medicine and
management

Foster

92 foster families provided homes for **209** cats

370 animals needing to grow, rest and recover **77** dogs

84 critters

F.I.T. Center

79 cats with dermatophyte (ringworm) were treated and cured in Maddie's Felines in Treatment Center at DCHS

49 of those cats were from 10 different outside organizations

4 cats were in F.I.T. for just 28 days

During COVID lockdown, there was a mom and 8 kittens recovering in a foster home for **31** days

28 volunteers spent **809** hours caring for cats in the F.I.T. Center



◀ Lady in a Fur Coat arrived at DCHS in December 2019 as a stray. During her medical exam, our vets determined Lady needed her ear flaps removed so she could live a healthy and pain-free life. A staff member crocheted Lady an ear bonnet to help her find a home when she was ready in January 2020, and the story went viral! Lady's story was shared on CNN, The Kelly Clarkson Show and international news outlets. This is just one way our staff and volunteers go above and beyond for our animals every day!

Canine Behavior Team

70

dogs were enrolled in DCHS's Behavior Modification program

52

puppies were enrolled in Puppy Preschool

47

dogs were enrolled in Dog Training 1

4

dogs were enrolled in Dog Training 2

Media Highlights

Over 300

Pet of the Week segments on NBC15, News 3 Now, WKOW27, 105.5 Triple M, 94.9 WOLX and Isthmus On Tap

2,200+

new Instagram followers (@dchsgiveshelter)

2,600+

new Pawprints e-newsletter subscribers

4,400+

new Facebook followers across three Facebook pages: Dane County Humane Society (@GiveShelter), Dane County Humane Society's Wildlife Center (@dchswc) and Dane County Humane Society Thrift Store (@DCHSThriftStore)

Over 5.2 million

website views in 2020



Pets for Life

165 new clients with **245**

pets have received assistance and resources

48

were spayed/neutered

763

other medications and services were delivered

337

received vaccinations

Volunteers

760

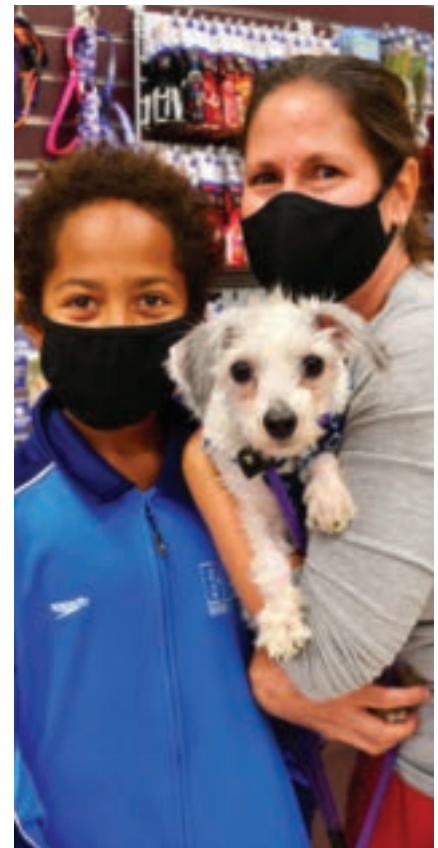
volunteers contributed

39,887

hours of service



▶ Throughout the pandemic, we have continued to rely on our volunteers to make lifesaving work happen. A limited number of volunteers were able to continue in their regular roles in adoptions, care and foster, while others stretched to learn new skills or contributed remotely. Dozens of volunteers jumped in to take part in two online art fundraisers and many others discovered new skills by joining our Thrift Store team! No matter where they help, we couldn't do it without the support of these wonderful volunteers!



Independent Fundraisers

\$125,047

was donated to DCHS through

149

Facebook fundraisers and

136

independent events,

109

hosted by local businesses and

27

hosted by kids

Keeping Pets in Their Homes

25,250

pounds of pet food and cat litter were donated to local food pantries

320,651

pounds of pet food and cat litter have been donated to local food pantries since the program began in 2011

DCHS collaborates with Community Action Coalition for South Central Wisconsin. This partnership helps keep pets in the homes of those experiencing economic hardship.

Humane Education

65

humane education events reached about

1,000

adults and kids via Camp Pawprint, shelter tours, presentations, field trips, scout workshops and Humane Heroes Club

Major Events

58 different organizations provided cash and in-kind sponsorships to support DCHS

349

supporters joined Toto's Gala online which raised over

\$193,390

248

Party Boxes and

87

Doggie Bags were sold, welcoming

511

attendees to Bark & Wine online, which raised

\$159,880

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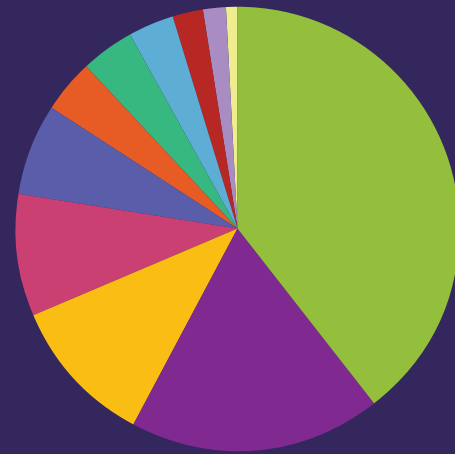
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Revenue

Individual Donations	\$2,110,477	39.50%
Bequests	\$ 982,866	18.40%
Payroll Protection Program Loan	\$ 572,900	10.72%
Program Services & Fees	\$ 480,002	8.98%
Major Events	\$ 353,270	6.61%
Municipal Contracts	\$ 214,637	4.02%
Grants	\$ 209,969	3.93%
Thrift Store	\$ 174,234	3.26%
Independent Events	\$ 125,047	2.34%
Investments & Misc. Income	\$ 85,193	1.60%
Merchandise Sales	\$ 34,424	0.64%
Total	\$5,343,019	100%



Expenses

Direct Program Expenses	\$3,133,768	68.77%
Fundraising, Marketing & Thrift Store	\$1,002,065	21.98%
Shelter Administration	\$ 421,340	9.25%
Total	\$4,557,173	100%



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