

BY THE NUMBERS

5,644

companion animals admitted
557 more than 2017

1,250

animals transferred in from other groups
6 more than 2017

816

lost pets reunited with their owners
66 more than 2017



DANE COUNTY HUMANE SOCIETY 2018 ANNUAL REPORT

3,731

total animals adopted
299 more than 2017

1,729 cats adopted

1,439 dogs adopted

563 other species adopted

3,878

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



91%

save rate for all companion animals

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

90%

save rate for cats

92%

save rate for dogs





6,224

phone calls were received and answered by the Wildlife Center reception team, up 12% from 2017

208

volunteers and interns cared for wild patients

NOTABLE SPECIES

3,878

wild animals were admitted in 2018 consisting of 158 species, the most diverse population ever

first ever boreal owl

common musk turtle

double-crested cormorant

red-breasted nuthatch

yellow rail

► In 2018, **224 turtles** hatched at Dane County Humane Society's Wildlife Center. These hatchlings came to the Wildlife Center as eggs and were saved and incubated after female turtles were fatally hit by cars.

Pictured here are snapping turtle hatchlings which incubate between 60 - 90 days and, once hatched, are the size of a quarter. They were released into the wild in the spring near their mother's former home.



68

barn animals were cared for at DCHS

32

chickens

20

ducks

5

pigs

4

horses

4

peafowl

3

goats



◀ **Duck Norris and Quackie Chan**, domestic ducks, were found stray and brought to DCHS. They were a very social pair and even made an appearance as the Pets of the Week on 105.5 Triple M.

Emma heard about the ducks on the radio and immediately knew she wanted them in her life. Emma adopted Duck Norris and Quackie Chan and they now are living the good life with a heated pond, lots of tasty snacks and fun company with new duck sisters Oprah, Betty White and Barbara Walters.

BARN

FOSTER

150 foster families provided homes for

582 animals needing to grow, rest and recover

420 cats

85 dogs

77 critters



Bonded pair **Gigi** and her senior brother **Tiny** spent time in a loving foster home while waiting for much needed dental procedures at DCHS.

Once their mouths were pain-free and healthy, these best friends found their perfect match with Erin and Stephen who are giving them the pampered lifestyle they deserve.



ANIMAL MEDICAL SERVICES

10,331

medical exams performed

1,957

spay/neuter surgeries performed on 1,139 cats, 727 dogs and 91 rabbits

207

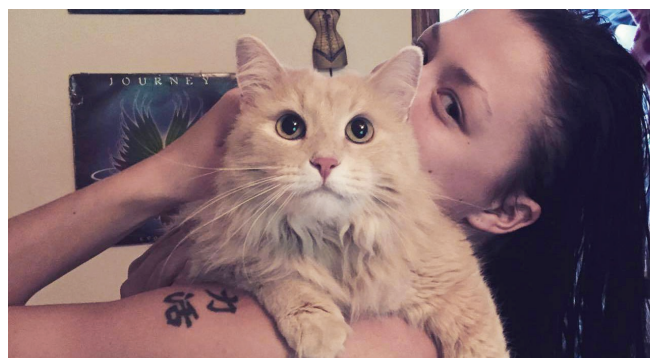
dental surgeries performed on 126 cats and 81 dogs

68

other surgeries performed such as amputations, femoral head ostectomies and enucleations

64

UW veterinary students attended ambulatory rotations at DCHS to learn about shelter medicine and management



▲ **Hank** was named the Rufus Award winner at DCHS's Annual Meeting in 2018. This honor was well deserved by this loving cat with medical issues resulting in litter box problems. Hank won the hearts of staff and volunteers during his 89 day stay at DCHS before being adopted by new mom, Brooke.

F.I.T. CENTER

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

61 cats were transferred in from **11** outside organizations

50 days on average were spent being treated

89 days was the longest stay for a cat

volunteers spent

1,924

hours caring for cats in the F.I.T. Center

CANINE BEHAVIOR TEAM

130

dogs were enrolled
in DCHS's Behavior
Modification program

1,216 hours were spent by staff and
volunteers training dogs

342

dogs spent time
in playgroups to
reduce stress

310

total hours
were spent in
playgroups



◀ Nisa contacted Pets for Life Coordinator, Abbi, when her dog Peaches had been in labor almost 14 hours without a single puppy being born. Quick action was needed. After a trip to the emergency room to remove a large puppy blocking the birth canal, Abbi was able to safely get Peaches to DCHS partner, Stoughton Veterinary Service Animal Hospital, who agreed to help in any way they could. After a stressful day, Nisa was able to return home with a healthy Peaches, now spayed, and her puppies.

25 cats and 29 dogs

were spayed/neutered through the Pets for Life program

PETS FOR LIFE

75

clients with

120

pets have received
assistance and resources

DCHS was selected as a partner in the Pets for Life program. This national program launched at DCHS in May 2018 to offer resources to people and pets in certain underserved areas in the city of Madison.

COMMUNITY DOG DAY

290

dogs were served
at two Community
Dog Day events

176

dogs received
microchips

117

dogs were
signed up for
spay/neuter
surgeries

232

rabies and

255

distemper vaccines
were administered

Community Dog Day events are held in neighborhoods where DCHS has seen the highest intake of strays and provides supplies and resources to people and pets.

KEEPING PETS IN THEIR HOMES

22,595

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

265,931

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 to help those experiencing economic hardship keep their pets

VOLUNTEERS

1,278

volunteers contributed

116,361

hours of work, which is equivalent to having over

55

full-time staff members



▲ **Dedicated** volunteer for 10 years, **Al Greene** was the 2018 recipient of the Ida Kittleson Award recognizing a community member whose actions and deeds exemplify the DCHS mission. Al is an advanced Wildlife Caretaker helping with everything from raptor and bat rehabilitation to wildlife rescues. Since 2014 he has been involved in the rescue of over 60 wild animals. Al can also be found helping in many other areas of DCHS!

242

humane education events reached

6,991

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

HUMANE EDUCATION

\$105,926

was donated to the shelter through

118

Facebook fundraisers and

247

independent events,

141

hosted by local businesses and

106

hosted by kids

INDEPENDENT FUNDRAISERS

MAJOR EVENTS

300

supporters attended
Toto's Gala
which raised over

\$128,000

287

supporters attended
Bark & Wine
which raised over

\$123,000

600+

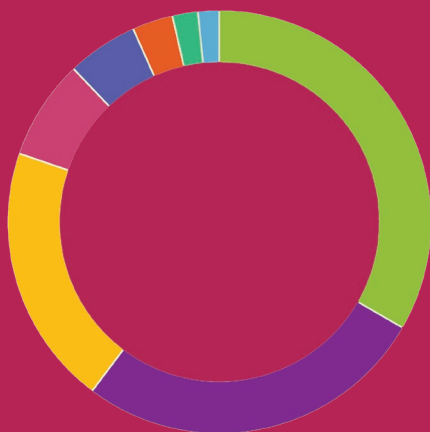
supporters attended
Dogtoberfest
which raised over

\$17,000

40

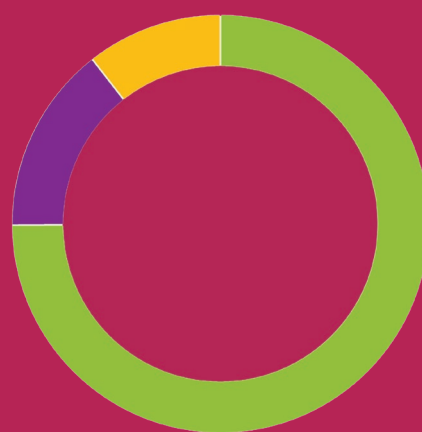
different organizations provided cash
sponsorships at DCHS events in 2018

REVENUE



Individual Donations	\$1,659,888	34.29%
Bequests*	\$1,340,727	27.69%
Program Services & Fees	\$994,437	20.54%
Municipal Contracts	\$380,634	7.86%
Major Events	\$270,065	5.58%
Grants	\$154,960	3.20%
Independent Events	\$96,777	2.00%
Merchandise Sales	\$80,989	1.67%
Investments & Misc. Income	-\$136,976	-2.83%
Total	\$4,841,501	

EXPENSES



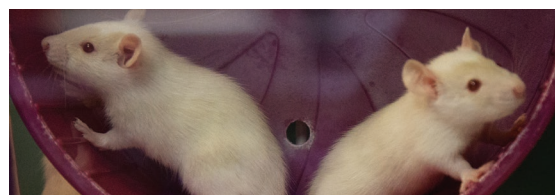
Direct Program Expenses	\$3,039,468	74.90%
Core Mission Support:		
Fundraising & Marketing	\$590,669	14.55%
Shelter Administration	\$428,059	10.55%
Total	\$4,058,196	

*An \$800,000 bequest was received with
restrictions for future use

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