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A MESSAGE FROM MATT

In 2022, the ASPCA took on both new and longstanding threats to animal welfare, including the rescue and protection of animals from cruelty, the special needs of shelter animals with medical and behavioral conditions resulting from cruelty and neglect that challenge their adoption, barriers to veterinary care in under-resourced communities, and a severe national shortage of veterinary professionals.

In this Annual Report, you will see numerous examples of how ASPCA teams across the country addressed these and other challenges head-on with commitment and innovation, ultimately assisting hundreds of thousands of dogs, cats, horses, and farm animals in need.

These animals included [Wish](#) and [Butters](#), two dogs we treated and rehabilitated after rescuing them from a large dogfighting case; [Tomato](#), a severely neglected cat we rescued from a hoarding situation in New York City and placed with a loving foster caregiver and eventual adopter; and [Bell and Fortune Kitty '21](#), two relinquished horses who found life-changing second chances in Iowa and Kentucky with crucial help from a special ASPCA grant.

Many other animals were touched by the full range of our local and national programs in 2022, including large-scale field rescues, behavioral rehabilitation, community-based veterinary care, spay/neuter services, animal relocation and placement, equine rehoming, foster support, strategic grantmaking, emergency sheltering, farm animal advocacy, and research and trainings for both law enforcement and shelter professionals.

This breadth of engagement is necessary to fill in animal welfare gaps across the country, working hand-in-hand with local shelters, rescues, clinics, and others that understand their communities' needs but still welcome specialized expertise and support to help meet those needs.

As an established national organization, our role is not to directly operate a network of shelters, but to partner with and provide training and support to hundreds of local agencies, advance animal welfare innovations, and respond immediately to animal crises across the country. That position of support goes back to the vision of our founder, Henry Bergh, a pioneer of the American animal welfare movement who encouraged other organizations with similar goals to embrace the SPCA model and work together to advance public awareness and action in this cause.

Though our work is diverse and takes us many places, all of it is tied to four key priorities:

- Saving and protecting animal victims of cruelty, neglect, and suffering through rescue efforts and policy initiatives
- Giving vulnerable and victimized animals rescued from neglect and cruelty second chances by applying and advancing behavioral rehabilitation techniques and necessary veterinary care
- Collaborating with shelters and rescues to find new homes and other lifesaving opportunities for homeless animals
- Helping pets by expanding access to veterinary care and pet care resources

This Annual Report reflects not only the breadth and impact of our work, but also the determination of more than 1,000 ASPCA staff on the front lines of animal rescue and in critical support roles to secure the safety of vulnerable and victimized animals and elevate their value in our society's laws and culture.

Your support plays a critical role in our success, so we thank you for helping us give animals in need what they need most: strong voices, opportunities to live safely without suffering, and lifesaving second chances.





WE ARE THEIR VOICE

The challenges facing animals today are varied and complex—exacerbated by the worldwide pandemic—and the American Society for the Prevention of Cruelty to Animals (ASPCA) is leading efforts to address these challenges nationally by pioneering effective and lasting solutions.

Founded in 1866, the ASPCA is the first animal welfare organization established in North America and today serves as one of the nation’s leading voices for vulnerable and victimized animals. As a 501(c)(3) not-for-profit corporation with more than two million supporters nationwide, the ASPCA is committed to preventing cruelty to dogs, cats, equines, and farm animals throughout the United States.

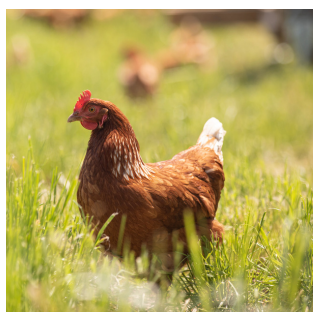
The organization works in three main ways to effect systemic change: directly intervening on behalf of animals in crisis, such as suffering from neglect and cruelty; applying learnings from those interventions and other work to advocate, educate, and advance policy for animals; and sharing learnings and resources to help others across the country in a collective effort to improve animals’ lives.

The work includes assisting animals in need through direct medical care, on-the-ground disaster and cruelty interventions, behavioral rehabilitation, animal placement, legal and legislative advocacy, and the advancement of the sheltering and veterinary community through research, training, and resources.

For more information, visit [ASPCA.org](https://www.aspcanet.org), and follow the ASPCA on [Facebook](#), [X](#), and [Instagram](#).

MISSION STATEMENT

The ASPCA mission, as stated by ASPCA founder Henry Bergh in 1866, is “to provide effective means for the prevention of cruelty to animals throughout the United States.”



Saving and protecting animal victims of cruelty, neglect, and suffering through rescue efforts and policy initiatives

No matter where in the U.S. an animal crisis takes place or how many animals are involved, the ASPCA is prepared to help those animals—from assisting law enforcement with animal cruelty investigations and helping shelters care for animals endangered by natural disasters to working with federal, state, and local governments to ensure legal protections that stop animal cruelty and protect dogs, cats, horses, and farm animals from suffering.

Responding to and rescuing animals in crisis

The ASPCA provides extensive support in response to emergencies that threaten the lives and welfare of animals across the country, answering requests for assistance from law enforcement, emergency management authorities, and animal welfare agencies.

In 2022, ASPCA rescue teams deployed to states including Arkansas, Florida, Georgia, Kentucky, Mississippi, Missouri, Nevada, New Mexico, New York, North Carolina, Tennessee, and Texas.



Saving and protecting animal victims of cruelty, neglect, and suffering through rescue efforts and policy initiatives (continued)

Cruelty Response

In 2022, the ASPCA provided critical assistance to law enforcement in hundreds of cases of cruelty or neglect, impacting thousands of animals across the country. These teams provided a range of services, including operational planning and animal rescue, evidence documentation and collection, forensic exams, medical care, emergency and long-term sheltering, behavioral treatment and enrichment, and placement, as well as expert testimony, legal support, law enforcement training, and subject matter consultations to support investigations and prosecutions.

In addition to helping animals directly, this rescue work helps local agencies effectively address animal welfare crises they might not be able to manage otherwise.



Program Spotlight :

Animal Rescues in 2022

In June, the ASPCA helped the Union County Sheriff's Office in Des Moines, New Mexico, rescue severely neglected dogs and a horse from a cruelty situation. [Read more.](#)



In July, the ASPCA assisted the Guilford County Sheriff's Office with the rescue of dogs from an alleged dogfighting operation in North Carolina. [Read more.](#)

In August, the ASPCA helped the Nye County Sheriff's office in Nevada care for approximately 300 Caucasian Shepherds, including pregnant dogs and puppies. Many were severely neglected and suffering from untreated medical conditions.

[Read more.](#)



In October, at the request of the Suffolk County District Attorney's Office, the ASPCA mobilized more than 20 responders to assist with the rescue of nearly 300 neglected cats, rabbits, birds, tortoises, and snakes from a home in Brookhaven, New York. [Read more.](#)



Saving and protecting animal victims of cruelty, neglect, and suffering through rescue efforts and policy initiatives (continued)

Disaster Response

In 2022, ASPCA Disaster Response teams helped more than 6,700 animals, deploying nationwide to assist in the relocation, search-and-rescue, sheltering, and placement of animals during disasters, including wildfires, tornadoes, hurricanes, and floods.

The ASPCA also works with lawmakers to enhance disaster planning and response efforts by incorporating animals into emergency plans to prevent avoidable tragedies and enhances the capacity of local agencies to respond to disasters in their own communities by providing grant funding, training, and other critical resources. Over the last three years, the ASPCA has provided more than \$2 million in grant funding to authorized disaster response agencies.



Program Spotlight : Disaster Rescues in 2022

Responding to Hurricane Ian

Immediately following Hurricane Ian in September, the ASPCA mobilized to Fort Myers, Florida, to assist **more than 2,800 animals** impacted by the storm in coordination with Lee County Domestic Animal Services.

[Read more.](#)



Responding to New Mexico Wildfires

In May, at the request of the Animal Welfare Coalition of Northeastern New Mexico, the ASPCA mobilized to provide critical support for **more than 900 animals** impacted by dangerous wildfires. [Read more.](#)



Saving and protecting animal victims of cruelty, neglect, and suffering through rescue efforts and policy initiatives (continued)

Advancing laws and policies that protect dogs, cats, horses, and farm animals

The ASPCA works closely with local, state, and federal policymakers to enact meaningful and lasting protections for animals in need, influencing the development of similar policies around the country to advance systemic national animal welfare improvement. The ASPCA also provides advocacy training and resources for citizens engaging in grassroots lobbying on behalf of animals in need.

In 2022, ASPCA-led policy work included efforts to reform and improve USDA policies, make animal welfare conditions more transparent in food labels, protect at-risk horses, shut down puppy mills, expand access to veterinary care, support humane farming methods, enhance disaster preparedness training, and improve pet-related and pet-owner cohabitation policies.



Program Spotlight : Legislative Successes

President Biden signed the ASPCA-supported **Planning for Animal Wellness (PAW) Act**, directing the Federal Emergency Management Agency to establish a working group of experts to review current best practices for animals in emergencies and natural disasters and issue new guidance if necessary.

The ASPCA secured several **critical animal welfare provisions** in the FY2023 federal spending package, including:

- ✔ Requiring USDA inspectors to record all Animal Welfare Act violations they observe at commercial animal facilities on inspection reports
- ✔ Directing the USDA to reform its rules for labels put on meat and dairy packaging
- ✔ Continuing the prohibition on the slaughter of horses in the U.S.
- ✔ Allocating an additional \$10 million to support the humane, non-lethal management of wild horses and burros
- ✔ Providing \$3 million for PAWS Act grants to support shelter and transitional housing services for survivors of domestic violence and their pets

After years of the ASPCA leading the charge to stop the flow of puppy mill dogs into New York State, Gov. Kathy Hochul signed the **Puppy Mill Pipeline Bill into law**, which will end the sale of dogs, cats, and rabbits in pet stores statewide. Gov. Hochul also signed the Companion Animal Care Standards Act, establishing state standards to ensure homeless dogs, cats, and other animals are kept in clean and safe conditions while living at shelters or rescue organizations.



The passage and signing of the Puppy Mill Pipeline law—a longstanding goal for animal welfare groups across the state—is a historic win for New York’s animals, consumers, and communities. By ending the sale of cruelly bred puppy mill dogs in state pet shops, New York is shutting down the pipeline that enables retail sellers and commercial breeders to profit from unconscionable brutality.

- Matt Bershadker
ASPCA President & CEO

Saving and protecting animal victims of cruelty, neglect, and suffering through rescue efforts and policy initiatives (continued)

Collaborating with the NYPD to combat animal cruelty and neglect in New York City

In a groundbreaking partnership, the ASPCA works closely with the New York City Police Department (NYPD) to prevent and address animal cruelty across the city's five boroughs with services including medical treatment, behavior assessments, forensic evaluations, sheltering, and adoption.

In 2022, the ASPCA assisted the NYPD in hundreds of cases of suspected animal cruelty. The ASPCA also provided animal cruelty training for nearly 3,000 NYPD law enforcement officers.

Since the inception of the ASPCA-NYPD Partnership citywide in 2014, nearly 5,000 animals have been rescued from situations of alleged abuse, and more than 23,000 NYPD officers have been trained by the ASPCA to effectively recognize and respond to suspected animal cruelty.

Protecting animals trapped in cruel farming systems and pushing for a more humane food system

The ASPCA works with farmers, government leaders, advocates, and food companies toward policy and corporate reforms to end the cruelest factory farming practices, increase transparency and accountability in industrial animal agriculture, and adequately fund a more humane food system.

The ASPCA also informs and steers food consumers toward higher welfare options through the ASPCA Shop With Your Heart program, which works to shift the food marketplace toward more humanely produced choices, ultimately improving industry practices.

In 2022, the ASPCA added hundreds of new welfare-certified and plant-based products to the Shop With Your Heart Grocery List and worked with several pet food brands to improve their animal welfare policies and sourcing standards.

Happy Tail: VERMEER

In July, the ASPCA assisted the NYPD in rescuing nearly 25 Siberian Huskies from a property in Staten Island after they were reported to be running around in the heat with little access to fresh food or water. Vermeer was one of several two-week-old puppies the ASPCA rescued and cared for at the ASPCA Adoption Center. After spending time in a foster home, Vermeer was officially adopted and is thriving in his new home.

[Read about Vermeer](#)



Program Spotlight: ASPCA-Led Advances in Farm Animal Welfare

The ASPCA **Fund to End Factory Farming** provided nearly \$200,000 in funding for farmers, trade groups, think tanks, and organizations working on projects that benefit animals and the environment, food producers, consumers, and the public.

The ASPCA marked the fifth year of its partnership with **Food Animals Concerns Trust (FACT)**, which provides grants to farmers seeking meaningful animal welfare certifications. Since 2017, ASPCA funding through FACT grants has gone to more than 90 farms, benefiting an estimated 85,700 animals.

The ASPCA was a driving force behind the federal **Industrial Agriculture Accountability Act**, introduced by Senator Cory Booker to help protect animals from some of the most inhumane industry slaughter practices and increase accountability for corporations and industrial operators profiting from factory farm cruelty.



Saving and protecting animal victims of cruelty, neglect, and suffering through rescue efforts and policy initiatives (continued)

Supporting animal cruelty prosecutions and elevating law enforcement response to animal cruelty through unique veterinary forensic science programs

The ASPCA operates the country's leading veterinary forensics program, which plays an essential role in the organization's mission to stop animal cruelty.

At the ASPCA's forensic laboratories in New York City and Gainesville, Florida, ASPCA forensic science experts work closely with local law enforcement, prosecutors, and animal shelters around the U.S. to provide a wide range of support for animal-related criminal investigations, which often rely on forensic evidence.

In 2022, the NYC team supported more than 300 cases of suspected animal cruelty and the Gainesville team supported cases involving more than 700 animals.

The ASPCA Veterinary Forensic Science Center is the first forensic lab in the U.S. dedicated solely to supporting law enforcement across the country and also serves as a teaching facility for veterinarians and other animal welfare professionals to help them more effectively handle animal cruelty in their communities.

In 2022, the ASPCA and the Florida International University Global Forensic Justice Center hosted a comprehensive animal cruelty investigation training program for Florida-based law enforcement and animal control professionals from across the state. The ASPCA also announced the launch of the first-ever Professional Science Master's degree in Veterinary Forensic Science in the U.S.



Through partnerships with universities, law enforcement agencies, and veterinary and animal welfare organizations, we're able to not only have a direct impact on animals, but share our knowledge with current and future experts across the country to save more animal lives and bring their abusers to justice.

- Dr. Rachel Touroo
ASPCA Senior Director of
Veterinary Forensic Sciences



Giving vulnerable and victimized animals rescued from neglect and cruelty second chances by applying and advancing behavioral rehabilitation techniques and necessary veterinary care

The ASPCA uses its specialized expertise and experience to care for homeless animals and victims of cruelty and neglect and increase their chances for adoption. This work includes establishing multiple facilities dedicated to providing rehabilitation and expert care for behaviorally challenged animals who are especially vulnerable due to longer lengths of stay in shelters. The ASPCA also conducts research to discover new ways to resolve behavior and medical challenges effectively and efficiently, and offers in-person and online learning opportunities for shelter professionals to help them best care for animals in their communities.

The ASPCA is pioneering this work through programs including the Behavioral Rehabilitation Center (BRC) in North Carolina—the first-ever facility dedicated to providing behavioral rehabilitation for severely fearful, unadoptable dogs—the Canine Annex for Recovery and Enrichment in New York City, and the Cruelty Recovery Center in Ohio.

At these facilities, the ASPCA treats severely fearful dogs rescued from cases of cruelty and neglect—such as puppy mills and hoarding situations—and animals transferred from animal welfare organizations across the country with the goal of producing and disseminating animal care learnings that other shelters with fearful dogs can successfully apply. In 2022, the BRC ended the year with a canine graduation rate above 85%.

Happy Tail: **WISH**

Wish, a fearful black and white pit bull-mix, was one of 80 dogs rescued from a dogfighting ring operating across Long Island, New York, and several other states in the summer of 2021. After being medically cleared, Wish was transported to the ASPCA Behavioral Rehabilitation Center for treatment. Seven weeks and a successful graduation later, Wish was adopted by a loving family.

[Read Wish's Story](#)



Giving vulnerable and victimized animals rescued from neglect and cruelty second chances by applying and advancing behavioral rehabilitation techniques and necessary veterinary care (continued)

Working to advance behavioral healthcare for animals in shelters nationwide

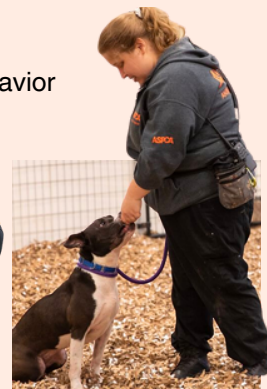
ASPCA educational services conducted by staff at the ASPCA Learning Lab amplify the impact of the ASPCA's shelter behavior programs by sharing behavior expertise with shelters nationwide. These trainings—including online and in-person learning, coaching, and collaboration experiences—help animal welfare professionals build on their own animal behavior programs, giving more traumatized animals new chances for placement in safe and loving homes.

Since its inception in 2018, the Learning Lab has attracted more than 28,000 enrollments in virtual and in-person educational opportunities, reaching animal welfare professionals, volunteers, and students from over 1,200 organizations around the world. More than 95% of surveyed e-Learning participants reported they are now better able to support the behavioral well-being of animals in their care.

Program Spotlight: Learning Lab

In 2022, the Learning Lab:

- ✓ Hosted events at the Behavioral Rehabilitation Center for animal shelter leaders to discuss ways to increase standards of behavioral care in their shelters that can help hard-to-adopt animals secure more chances for placement
- ✓ Developed and launched a first-of-its-kind Shelter Behavior Apprenticeship



- ✓ Welcomed 65 professionals from 14 Learning Lab Partner organizations to a first-ever Learning Lab Partner Gathering to discuss animal behavior trends and share breakthrough ideas
- ✓ Facilitated two virtual shelter roundtables for more than 640 animal welfare professionals

Everyone who steps foot in a shelter has the power to support the behavioral health of animals through their ideas and interactions. The ASPCA Learning Lab supports that impact by advancing lifesaving shelter behavior information.

- Renee Dunaway

Director of Learning Design and Development, Learning Lab



Giving vulnerable and victimized animals rescued from neglect and cruelty second chances by applying and advancing behavioral rehabilitation techniques and necessary veterinary care (continued)

Providing animal survivors of cruelty and disasters expert care and treatment

At the ASPCA Cruelty Recovery Center (CRC) in Columbus, Ohio, and through CRC work in temporary shelters nationwide, the ASPCA houses large numbers of homeless animals from cruelty cases, which supports and often enables law enforcement agencies to conduct animal cruelty investigations.

At the CRC, rescued animals receive critical sheltering, medical, and behavioral care to help them recover and prepare them for adoption.

In 2022, the CRC team deployed 17 times on national operations to assist law enforcement and government agencies in rescuing animals from cruelty, neglect, and natural disasters.



The CRC enables us to help agencies around the country respond to cruelty in their communities by providing a safe haven for large numbers of cruelty victims to heal. It's also a place where we can learn more about treating the physical and emotional injuries of abused animals and share that knowledge with the animal welfare field so more animals can benefit.

- Mary Sarah Fairweather

ASPCA Vice President, Cruelty Recovery Center



Program Spotlight : Caring for Rescued Animals

In September, at the request of the Nye County Sheriff, the CRC and other ASPCA teams mobilized to Nevada to care for hundreds of large breed dogs rescued from horrific conditions. The ASPCA transported nearly 100 of those dogs to the CRC to receive vital medical care, behavioral treatment, sheltering, and enrichment to prepare them for adoption.

[Read more about the rescue](#)



Giving vulnerable and victimized animals rescued from neglect and cruelty second chances by applying and advancing behavioral rehabilitation techniques and necessary veterinary care (continued)

Advancing critical animal welfare research

In 2022, ASPCA Forensic Sciences, Legal Advocacy & Investigations, and Strategy & Research teams published a two-year study that examined the critical connection between a parasitic disease found almost exclusively in U.S. pit bull-type dogs and organized dogfighting.

This peer-reviewed scientific research can be used in courtrooms and strengthens the case against organized dogfighters, ultimately serving justice for animal victims who cannot speak for themselves.

Other published and presented ASPCA research work in 2022 included articles in the *Journal of Veterinary Emergency and Critical Care*, *ScienceDirect*, *Frontiers in Veterinary Science*, the *Journal of the American Veterinary Medical Association (JAVMA)*, and a presentation at the inaugural American College of Veterinary Internal Medicine Research Colloquium.

The ASPCA also shares research conducted by other animal welfare experts and scholars through the annual AAWA/ASPCA Research Forum. Co-hosted by the Association for Animal Welfare Advancement, the 2022 event was attended by more than 300 people and featured prominent researchers sharing their latest animal welfare work and findings with the goal of helping professionals learn the best ways to improve the care of animals in need.



Collaborating with shelters and rescues to find new homes and other lifesaving opportunities for homeless animals

Across the country and in many ways, the ASPCA is helping homeless animals find shorter paths to safe and loving new homes, including operating innovative adoption and animal relocation programs, helping animals overcome behavior and medical issues that impede their adoption, and providing targeted grants to animal welfare organizations around the country to advance their lifesaving work.

Relocating shelter animals to help them find greater adoption opportunities

In 2022, the ASPCA Animal Relocation program relocated more than 32,500 animals (roughly 21,400 dogs and 11,000 cats) through more than 850 lifesaving ground and air transports.

Since 2014, the ASPCA Animal Relocation program—the largest transporter of shelter dogs and cats for adoption in the U.S.—has worked with overcrowded shelters in under-resourced areas of the country to relocate their animals to other shelters where those animals have greater chances of being adopted into loving homes.

Putting these animals on a faster path to new homes also reduces pressure at partner shelters where the animals originated, freeing up space and resources they can reallocate to strengthen animal welfare programs in their communities.



200,000+ Animal Relocated

The ASPCA Animal Relocation Program has transported more than 200,000 companion animals since the program started in 2014. The 200,000th dog was Noah, a one-year-old cattle dog/Basenji mix who began his journey of drives and air flights at the Mobile SPCA in Mobile, Alabama. Soon after, Noah—now named Bama—was adopted.

[Read Noah's Story](#)



Helping at-risk equines transition to new homes and careers

The ASPCA Equine Welfare team improves welfare for equines by increasing adoptions through strategic partnerships with equine industry and rescue networks, supporting horses with safety net services, including affordable veterinary care and rehoming programs, and advancing legal protections for equines in need.

The ASPCA Right Horse Program

In 2022, the ASPCA Right Horse program, which works to increase horse adoption across the country, generated more than 4,300 adoption inquiries through myrighthorse.org, the ASPCA's online equine adoption platform. Throughout the year, ASPCA Right Horse Partners placed more than 3,200 horses in adoptive homes.

In addition to facilitating connections that help more horses get adopted, these programs also help the public think of horse adoption the same way they view dog and cat adoption.

ASPCA Equine Transition and Adoption Center

The ASPCA Equine Transition and Adoption Center (ETAC) In Oklahoma City is an open-admission program that provides a safe place for horse owners to relinquish horses for adoption into new homes. In collaboration with a local veterinarian, ETAC also provides basic veterinary services and humane euthanasia for suffering horses, mules, and donkeys throughout Oklahoma.

In 2022, ETAC helped more than 80 horses with medical care, training, rehoming, and humane euthanasia services.



Happy Tail: SHORTY & HERO

Shorty, a previously unhandled and unsocialized horse, was brought to ETAC after his owner passed away, a common challenge for owned horses.

Hero was transferred to ETAC from one of our partner shelters for behavioral support.

In July, both horses were adopted by a local ranch for boys, where Shorty and Hero now help adolescents develop their confidence and sense of purpose by learning horsemanship skills.

[Read Shorty and Hero's Stories](#)

Collaborating with shelters and rescues to find new homes and other lifesaving opportunities for homeless animals (continued)

Supporting Northwest shelters through the ASPCA Northern Tier Shelter Initiative

In 2022, the ASPCA Northern Tier Shelter Initiative (NTSI) provided dozens of in-person and remote consultations, webinars, and other training opportunities across seven Northern Tier states: Alaska, Washington, Idaho, Montana, North Dakota, Minnesota, and Wisconsin.

These NTSI consultations included a visit to four Alaskan organizations, where NTSI staff saw firsthand their unique animal welfare challenges related to geography, weather, and local regulations.

The NTSI also distributed \$1 million in grant funding to animal welfare organizations and indigenous communities across these states.



Preparing vulnerable and hard-to-adopt animals for adoption into safe and loving homes

Helping Hard-to-Adopt Animals in New York City

To address some of the biggest challenges to animal adoption, the ASPCA Adoption Center in New York City focuses on “underdogs”—dogs and cats whose adoptions require extra effort and expertise due to the animals’ age, behavior, and medical conditions. Throughout 2022, the Adoption Center helped more than 1,350 of these dogs and cats find safe and loving homes with support from nearly 700 New York City foster caregivers.

Many of these animals were rescued through the ASPCA-NYPD Partnership or transferred from Animal Care Centers of NYC (ACC).



Supporting Very Young New York City Kittens

The ASPCA Kitten Nursery, New York City’s first and largest kitten nursery dedicated to the care and treatment of neonatal kittens, has provided lifesaving support for more than 10,000 New York City kittens since 2014. Keeping these animals at the ASPCA Kitten Nursery and with the ASPCA foster network conserves shelter space and resources at ACC, which helps them tend to other animals in their care. As a result, euthanasia rates of neonatal kittens at ACC have dropped dramatically since the start of this program.

Expanding Kitten Foster Opportunities in Los Angeles

Launched in 2017, the ASPCA Los Angeles Kitten Foster Program has saved the lives of more than 10,000 vulnerable kittens surrendered to Los Angeles County shelters by caring for them until they are ready for adoption, and helping place them in loving homes.

At the County of Los Angeles Department of Animal Care and Control (DACC), euthanasia rates have dropped since the introduction of this program.

Meet Zanzibar: The Kitten Nursery’s 10,000th Tiny Client

A kitten named Zanzibar became the 10,000th kitten cared for by the ASPCA Kitten Nursery since the program launched. The four-week-old kitten arrived at the Nursery from Animal Care Centers of NYC in need of specialized medical support for an upper respiratory infection. After ASPCA veterinarians assessed and treated Zanzibar, she was placed with an experienced foster caregiver who provided bottle feedings, medications, and socialization to help her gain strength and prepare for life in an adoptive home.

[Read Zanzibar’s Story](#)



Empowering organizations to protect animals from suffering and cruelty through strategic funding

In addition to providing services and programs that directly help animals, the ASPCA is also one of the nation's largest animal welfare grantmakers, giving valuable support to organizations and programs that align with the ASPCA's work to prevent animal cruelty and suffering.

Grants are a supportive tactic to supplement more sustainable and long-term strategies the ASPCA uses to advance its work. ASPCA grants support a variety of initiatives, including increasing cat, dog, and equine adoptions, advancing groundbreaking research on animal welfare issues, partnering with regional food banks in under-resourced areas, and helping communities build strong programs to rescue, shelter, transport, and support animals, including survivors of natural disasters.

Since 2001, the ASPCA has given more than \$200 million in grant funding to more than 3,500 animal shelters, municipal and governmental agencies, rescue groups, universities, and other mission-aligned organizations and programs nationwide.



Program Spotlight : **ASPCA Grants**

In 2022, the ASPCA awarded more than 475 grants totaling nearly \$12 million to more than 400 organizations in 49 states, as well as Puerto Rico, and Washington, D.C.

Examples include:

- ✔ Over **\$1.3 million** in grants to further research on issues including expanding access to veterinary care, preventing and responding to animal cruelty, improving farm animal welfare, and creating effective treatments for behavior challenges that put animals at risk
- ✔ **\$780,000** to support the disaster response capacity of 22 organizations
- ✔ Nearly **\$200,000** to seven organizations in support of their efforts to transition away from factory farming



Helping pets by expanding access to veterinary care and pet care resources

When pet owners face life challenges, so do their pets, and the ASPCA is committed to providing accessible and affordable veterinary services for pets whose owners are struggling financially. By directly and indirectly providing access to and training for spay/neuter services, supplies, preventative care, and other resources, the ASPCA is helping tens of thousands of vulnerable animals stay safe and healthy across the country.

Providing affordable veterinary services to owners and animals in under-resourced communities

The ASPCA's Community Medicine (CM) programs in New York City, Los Angeles, and Miami provide veterinary care to animals and pet owners in under-resourced communities who face a variety of barriers to accessing medical services for their pets, including cost, lack of transportation, and lack of information about how and where to go for care.

Addressing these barriers in 2022, ASPCA CM teams cared for and treated tens of thousands of animals, including providing basic veterinary care and spay/neuter surgeries for dogs and cats.



Delivering Urgent Medical Care and Services to Vulnerable Pets Across New York City

The ASPCA Animal Hospital provides urgent care to some of New York City's most vulnerable animals by offering subsidized veterinary care for animals whose owners are experiencing financial challenges, as well as veterinary and behavioral care and adoption support for victims of cruelty and neglect who come in through the ASPCA-NYPD Partnership.

The ASPCA Animal Hospital plays a key role in the ASPCA's efforts to train veterinary professionals to serve the animal welfare needs of their communities and help address a national veterinary shortage. In 2022, the ASPCA Animal Hospital provided critical veterinary care to more than 9,300 animals in need.

Within New York City, the ASPCA also operates Community Veterinary Clinics in the Bronx and Brooklyn, a spay/neuter clinic serving animal rescue groups in Queens, and several mobile clinics that provide affordable and accessible veterinary care and spay/neuter surgeries in the heart of communities most in need of those services.



Helping pets by expanding access to veterinary care and pet care resources (continued)

Supporting Los Angeles Pets in Need with Spay/Neuter and Veterinary Services

In Los Angeles, the ASPCA operates a spay/neuter clinic that serves the South Los Angeles city animal shelter and local pet owners. These surgeries are essential to decreasing the number of animals entering shelters and improving the health and welfare of animals and community animal populations.

The ASPCA also offers basic veterinary care and spay/neuter services on mobile units that serve pet owners across Los Angeles.

Providing Community Veterinary Care to Miami Pets and Owners

The ASPCA operates a Community Veterinary Clinic in the Liberty City area of Miami—a critically under-resourced community with limited options for veterinary care. The only veterinary clinic in Liberty City—which has a population of more than 62,000 residents—the Miami Community Veterinary Clinic provides accessible and affordable basic veterinary care for Miami-Dade County cats and dogs.

In 2022, the clinic increased spay/neuter surgery capacity, tripling the number of surgeries performed in 2021.

Happy Tail: NIKOLAS



Discovered in a trash can in Queens, New York, and suffering from numerous issues related to emaciation, Nikolas needed intensive care from ASPCA veterinary staff and the loving continued care of a foster home. Today, Nikolas lives a happy, healthy life with his adoptive owner, Andrew, and his feline sister.

[Read Nikolas' Story](#)



Access to Veterinary Care Conference: Uniting Advocates, Thought Leaders, and Practitioners of Increasing Access to Veterinary Care

In its inaugural year, the Access to Veterinary Care Conference in Minnesota—which the ASPCA co-hosted with the University of Minnesota College of Veterinary Medicine—brought together animal welfare leaders, veterinary professionals, veterinary colleges, and other stakeholders to address the lack of access to affordable and essential vet care that threatens the health of millions of pets.

The event featured more than 120 speakers and 325 attendees from around the country.



Helping pets by expanding access to veterinary care and pet care resources (continued)

Working with human service agencies to help NYC community members care for their pets

Collaborating with human service agencies, the ASPCA Community Engagement (CE) team in New York City works directly with pet owners to provide resources and services, including connection to veterinary services, pet food, dog houses, community cat shelters, grooming services, and supplies such as leashes, harnesses, and crates. In 2022, the ASPCA CE team assisted nearly 2,000 animals in need.



Addressing the national veterinary shortage by expanding veterinary training opportunities and emphasizing community animal welfare

The national veterinary shortage is creating a crisis for pets and animal shelters across the country. The ASPCA is addressing this crisis by providing nearly 20 professional veterinary training experiences around the country—including externships, internships, and shelter medicine residency programs—that attract, retain, and advance the careers of veterinary professionals in ways that uniquely prepare them to serve their communities' various animal welfare needs.



Happy Tail: JOSHUA & CHUCHI



In March 2022, Joshua brought Chuchi, his nine-year-old Yorkshire Terrier, to an ASPCA mobile vehicle for grooming that would protect the dog from potential hair mats and skin infections. After completing their work, ASPCA Community Engagement staff taught Joshua grooming skills to help him care for Chuchi independently whenever Chuchi needed it.

[Read Joshua and Chuchi's Story](#)

Helping pets by expanding access to veterinary care and pet care resources (continued)

Providing lifesaving assistance for animals exposed to toxins

The ASPCA Animal Poison Control Center (APCC) is the nation's leading animal poison control center. Operating 24 hours a day, 365 days a year, the APCC is trusted by pet owners and veterinarians nationwide to keep animals safe and healthy.

In 2022, the APCC team assisted more than 400,000 animals from all 50 states. Since its founding, the APCC has assisted more than four million animals exposed to potentially toxic substances.

The only poison control center focused exclusively on animals, the APCC is staffed by nearly 200 veterinary professionals—including board-certified toxicologists, veterinarians, veterinary technicians, and veterinary assistants—and its proprietary database contains data and insights from millions of recorded cases.



Happy Tail: BISCUIT

In December, Nicole, a pet owner in Oakland, California, called the APCC when her young cat, Biscuit, began vomiting and refused to eat. The APCC staff asked critical questions and determined that Biscuit had made contact with pollen from a lily bouquet. The team then developed a treatment plan that Nicole's local veterinary clinic used to protect Biscuit from kidney damage. Biscuit recovered fully thanks to the APCC's fast and accurate service.



Helping veterinary professionals prevent suffering nationwide by expanding the practice and impact of spay/neuter surgery

The ASPCA Spay/Neuter Alliance (ASNA) in North Carolina is the nation's leading high-quality/high volume spay/neuter trainer, conducting nationwide spay/neuter trainings that expand access to low-cost sterilization surgeries across the country. These surgeries prevent animal suffering and neglect by preventing unwanted litters in communities. In 2022, ASNA trained more than 240 veterinary medical professionals and student externs.

ASNA also provides high-quality, high-volume spay/neuter services to shelter, rescue, and owned companion animals in the Western North Carolina area. Since ASNA was founded in 1994, the facility has spayed/neutered half a million cats and dogs throughout this region.

Happy Tail: 500,000th Spay/Neuter Surgery

On October 11, ASNA neutered its 500,000th patient—a two-month-old puppy named Pumpernickel. A terrier/cattle dog mix, Pumpernickel had been transferred to an ASPCA partner from an overcrowded shelter and has since been adopted.

[Read Pumpernickel's Story](#)



2022 KEY FINANCIAL METRICS

TOTAL INCOME:	\$369,928,977	
Total program expenses	\$258,641,298	
Expenses for each major program activity category that appears in the organization's financial statements	<i>Shelter and Veterinary Services</i>	\$117,775,925
	<i>Public Education and Communications</i>	\$90,027,603
	<i>Policy, Response and Engagement</i>	\$50,837,770
Total fundraising expenses	\$66,154,031	
Total administrative expenses	\$15,601,457	
End of year net assets	\$487,159,706	

TO VIEW THE ASPCA'S 2022 AUDITED FINANCIAL STATEMENT, VISIT [asPCA.org/auditreport2022](https://www.asPCA.org/auditreport2022)

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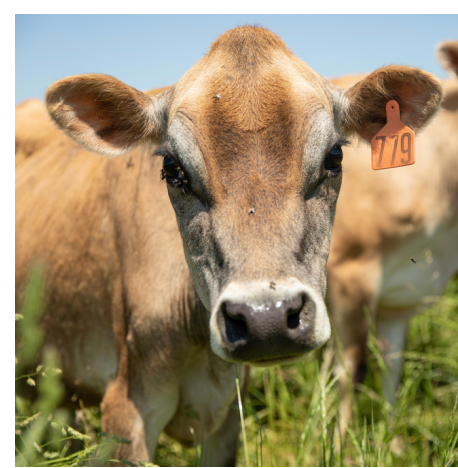
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