



HOUSTON
PETSET

ANNUAL REPORT

2019
EDITION



A NOTE FROM OUR CO-PRESIDENTS

In 2019, Houston PetSet celebrated its fifteenth year of work for the animals. In 15 years, we have made many strides to improve the welfare of companion animals in the Greater Houston area, but we know we still have so much more to do.

In 2020, we will continue to fund and offer low-cost and free spay/neuter opportunities for the animals and citizens we know are most in need. This effort is incredibly important to us, as we know that spay/neuter initiatives are the long-term solution to making the homeless animal population a manageable one. Without this service, many animals would continue to reproduce, adding to the already overwhelming stray population.

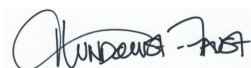
Our transport program will continue to run in tandem with our spay/neuter efforts. We have many partners in the northern states that have a desire and a need for cats and dogs to be placed in loving homes, and we remain committed to offering this transport service to our local animal shelters as a means to immediately alleviate their burden, and prevent them from having to euthanize otherwise adoptable animals.

In addition, as leaders in the Greater Houston area animal welfare space, we will continue to work with our local and state governments and elected officials to ensure that the topic of animal homelessness sits at the forefront of legislative conversations and actions. We know that by passing better state laws and local ordinances, we can assist many animals that are not being served due to loopholes and variance in the language that is currently written.

We have big goals to accomplish in 2020, and we are ready to meet them head on with your support. Our work could not be done without our generous donors and friends of the animals. We know your hearts are with us in our mission, and for that we are truly grateful.

If you'd like to contribute to our efforts, please visit houstonpetset.org for more information.

For The Animals,



Tena Lundquist Faust
Co-President



Tama Lundquist
Co-President





OUR MISSION & VISION

Mission: To end homelessness and suffering of companion animals.

Vision: A world where companion animals do not suffer and are valued by society.

THE OBJECTIVE

To provide resources to build the capacity of other animal welfare organizations, and to improve the public perception and treatment of companion animals.

We achieve our objectives through a strategic plan that focuses on the following six impact areas:

- **Rescue, Adopt & Transport**
 - Improve capacity amongst rescue, foster, adoption and transport organizations
- **Spay & Neuter**
 - Increase the number of accessible and high-volume spay and neuter programs
- **Community Service & Education**
 - Implement and support outreach efforts to inform the public of proper treatment of animals
- **Cruelty Prevention**
 - Decrease animal cruelty and fund agencies that protect neglected and abused animals
- **Research**
 - Build and leverage our collection of qualitative and quantitative data to inform lasting solutions
- **Advocacy**
 - Increase engagement to influence public policy and affect legislation at local and state levels

RESCUE, ADOPT & TRANSPORT

Improve capacity amongst rescue, foster, adoption and transport organizations.

Using a school bus outfitted with airline crates, Houston PetSet facilitates monthly transports of animals to rescue partners in the Midwest. Transporting animals provides immediate relief for the shelters, and is a short-term solution until spay and neuter efforts have a long-term effect on animal overpopulation.

In 2019, Houston PetSet received a \$30,000 grant from The Lance McCullers Jr. Foundation, a \$6,500 grant from The Lost Pawses Foundation and a \$5,000 grant from Mike's Hard Lemonade to operate its transport program.

IN 2019

33

TRANSPORTS



1,843

ANIMALS SAVED



SPAY & NEUTER

Increase the number of accessible and high-volume spay and neuter programs.

Houston PetSet partnered with Texas Litter Control to provide a low-cost spay/neuter shuttle service for residents in communities with a high concentration of stray animals.

The service reduced the cost of spay and neuter surgeries to \$35 for dogs and \$25 for cats, and owners picked-up and dropped-off their animals at a designated meeting location.

In 2019, Houston PetSet received a \$5,000 grant from Maddie's Fund to operate the Spay Shuttle program.

IN 2019

14

SHUTTLES



140

SURGERIES



COMMUNITY SERVICE & EDUCATION

Implement and support outreach efforts to inform the public of proper treatment of animals.

Houston PetSet partnered with the Public Relations Society of America Houston to create a working group to develop a comprehensive public service and marketing campaign focused on educating the community about the Greater Houston area's animal welfare issues.

The campaign, "Give Our Pets a Hand," will promote good guardianship of animals, and will create a centralized website to house animal-related resources.

IN 2019

10

MEETINGS



1

CAMPAIGN



PRSA HOUSTON CARES FOR THE ANIMALS

PRSA Houston's Service and APR Committees are joining forces with Houston PetSet and its rescue partners to help homeless cats and dogs in Greater Houston. From entry level to seasoned pros, we need your help to create a comprehensive public service campaign that will positively impact thousands of animals and residents living in Greater Houston.



CRUELTY PREVENTION

Decrease animal cruelty and fund agencies that protect neglected and abused animals.

Houston PetSet funded the salaries of two dedicated Harris County Animal Cruelty Taskforce Constable Precinct 5 Animal Cruelty Officers.

In addition, Houston PetSet assisted in developing and managing the Harris County Animal Cruelty Taskforce Ambassador Program.

To report animal cruelty, abuse, neglect or abandonment, please visit 927paws.org or call 832-927-PAWS.



RESEARCH

Build and leverage our collection of qualitative and quantitative data to inform lasting solutions.

For the second survey in a row, the UT "Health of Houston Survey" reported that stray animals were the top concern of respondents (34%), outranking crime (22%), drinking water (13%) and dumping waste (13%), among others.

To draw additional awareness to the problem of animal homelessness, on December 4, Houston PetSet's Co-Presidents, Tena Lundquist Faust and Tama Lundquist, joined Rice University's Dr. Stephen Klineberg for Greater Houston Partnership's Quality of Life Panel. The discussion focused on solving Houston's stray animal crisis.

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THEIR TOP CONCERN**

1 IN 4

**HARRIS COUNTY
RESIDENTS SAY STRAY
ANIMALS ARE A VERY
SERIOUS PROBLEM**



ADVOCACY

Increase engagement to influence public policy and affect legislation at local and state levels.

Throughout 2019, Houston PetSet marked many milestones in its mission to advocate for the animals, including:

- **Houston PetSet provided Texas Humane Legislation Network (THLN) with the funding needed to host the Senate Bill 295 "Laws for Paws" Symposium to educate constituents and work to lobby for the law.**
- **On February 19, Houston PetSet was honored with a Proclamation Day by Mayor Sylvester Turner, presented by Council Member Karla Cisneros.**
- **On April 23, Houston PetSet was presented with House Resolution 1284 by Representative Sarah Davis. It recognized Houston PetSet for their work for the animals of the Greater Houston community.**
- **On July 15, Houston PetSet hosted "A Conversation For the Animals" Candidate Forum. Featured panelists included Houston Mayoral candidates and Council Member candidates from Districts D and H.**
- **On December 4, Houston PetSet Co-Presidents Tena Lundquist Faust and Tama Lundquist joined Rice University's Dr. Stephen Klineberg for Greater Houston Partnership's Quality of Life panel. The discussion focused on solving Houston's stray animal crisis.**



GRANTS

Since 2004, Houston PetSet has provided more than \$2.7 million in grant assistance to vetted animal welfare partner organizations.

Grant Recipients

A Doberman Adoption Placement Team | Abandoned Animal Rescue | ADORE Houston | Albert's Dog Lounge | Animal Alliance of Galveston County | Animal Justice League | Animal Shelter Volunteers of Texas | Bailey Animal Rescue Trust | Barrio Dogs Boston Terrier Rescue of Greater Houston | Buster's Friends | Cape Kitty Rescue | Chances Dog Rescue and Relocation | Citizens for Animal Protection | Corridor Rescue | Crime Stoppers of Houston | Fort Bend PAWS (Pets Are Worth Saving) | Freedom Collie Rescue | Freedom Street Rescue | Friends of BARC | Golden Beginnings | Golden Retriever Acres Senior Sanctuary | Good Lif3 Bully Rescue | Great Dane Rescue of Southeast Texas | Greater Houston German Shepherd Dog Rescue | Healing Species Texas | Homeless and Orphaned Pets Endeavor (HOPE) | Honoring Hope and Faith Rescue | Houston Humane Society | Houston K-911 Rescue | Houston Pets Alive! | Interfaith Ministries for Greater Houston | Jacinto City Dog Pound Rescue | Joyrides Rescue | K-9 Angels Rescue | Lola's Lucky Day | Magnolia Exotic Bird Sanctuary | Mercy Cares (Mercy Pet Clinic) | Operation Pets Alive | Our Pet Project | Pet Rescue Team | Poodle Rescue of Houston | Pug Hearts Houston | Pup Squad Animal Rescue | Ranger's Reach | Red Collar Rescue | Rescue Bank | Rescued Pets Movement | S.A.V.E. Rescue Coalition | SAFE in Texas | Saving Our Companion Animals Fort Bend County | Scout's Honor | Second Chance Pets | Sonoma's Haven | Southern Comforts Animal Rescue | Spay and Neuter Initiative Program | Special Pals | Stretch for Strays | Texas Great Pyrenees Rescue | Texas Litter Control | Texas Old English Sheepdog Rescue | Texas Sled Dog Rescue | Texas Wolfdog Project | The Forgotten Pet Advocates | The Heartworm Foundation | The Kitten House Rescue/Adopt a Cat Texas | The Love, Molly Fund | The Woodlands Dog Park Club | Three Little Pitties | Unity for a Solution | Westie and Scottie Rescue

THE FIERCE & FABULOUS SOIREE AND THE GIFTING EVENT

On September 14, Houston PetSet hosted its fifteenth annual Fierce & Fabulous Soiree, honoring Kara and Lance McCullers. More than 400 guests attended and raised \$490,000 to help fund Houston PetSet's 70+ grantee partner organizations. To recognize and honor its grantees, Houston PetSet hosted its annual Gifting Event at Buffalo Bayou Brewing Company on December 4.



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Melissa Mithoff

Ashton Morgan

Judy Nichols

Jennifer Pinkerton

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Club PetSet Young Professionals Members

**Benjamin Ackerley | Claire Armstrong | Keveney Avila | Jack Blythe | Devin Bogert | Kristen Bouthilet
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