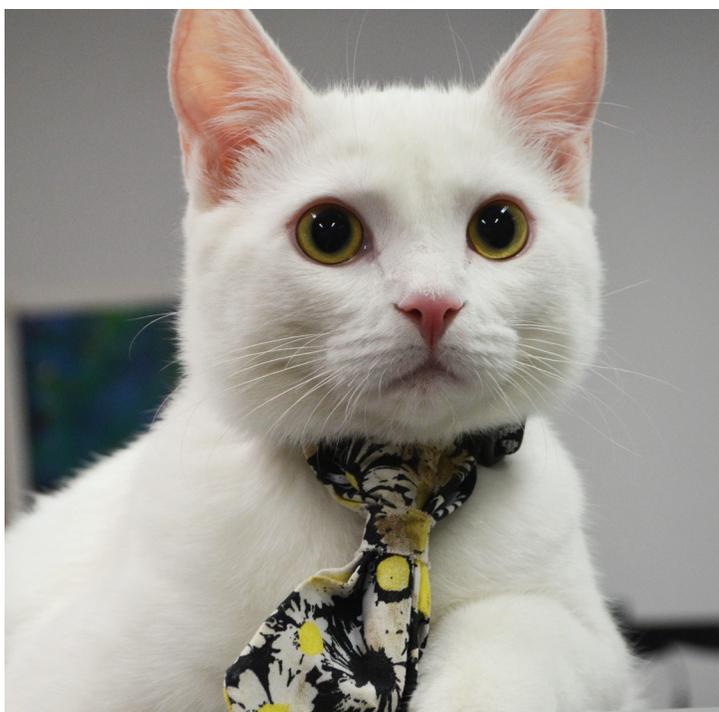


COMMUNITY IMPACT REPORT

A look at our 2018-2019 milestones



Since 1965, your local humane society has been on a mission to establish, maintain and enhance the bond between people and pets in Marion and Polk counties.

In 2018-2019, we made amazing strides towards our mission. You helped make these accomplishments possible, including:

Maintained a combined live release rate of 95% for the second year in a row.

Matched 2,929 pets with loving families.

Performed 6,167 surgeries through the WHS Spay and Neuter Clinic, including 1,716 community cats.

Fostered 1,095 kittens, puppies, dogs and cats through the WHS Foster Program. These pets needed extra time, care, and love before adoption.

Reached 4,407 children and teens in the community through summer camps, classroom visits, and more, teaching the importance of responsible and compassionate pet ownership.

REVENUE

Bequests:	\$463,548
Gen. Contributions:	\$1,248,060
Fundraising Events:	\$179,573
Thrift Store Sales:	\$317,255
Shelter Service Fees:	\$597,982
Animal Service Contracts:	\$9,296
Investment/Other Income:	\$194,844
Total:	\$3,010,558

EXPENSES

Animal Care:	\$2,591,341
Management/General:	\$200,368
Fundraising:	\$562,344
Total:	\$3,354,053



Our detailed audited financial statements are available at whs4pets.org/report



A SAFETY NET FOR DOGS AND CATS

What happens when dogs and cats need a second chance? They come to Willamette Humane Society, and thanks to the help of staff, volunteers, and donors, their second chances turn into happy endings. **Last year, 95 percent of the animals that came into the shelter were saved**—what we call a “live release rate.” This marks the second fiscal year in a row that WHS has achieved this remarkable number. **The Willamette Humane Society Spay and Neuter Clinic surpassed its 50,000-surgery milestone last year**, including 6,176 procedures in the 2018-2019 fiscal year alone.



TRAINING DOGS TO BE BEST FRIENDS

Our Behavior and Training team serves both shelter dogs and community pups. **The WHS team conducted 423 behavioral evaluations for shelter dogs.** A total of 534 dogs attended WHS public classes. These programs include basic and advanced training, puppy socialization and training, behavior solutions and specialty classes, and off-leash supervised playgroups for shelter dogs. Private training sessions and behavior consults with our trained, certified, and credentialed dog trainers **helped 217 families maintain and strengthen the bond between dogs and their people.**



VOLUNTEERS ARE OUR SECOND STAFF

Caring for thousands of animals each year takes a village. In 2018-19, **approximately 640 volunteers contributed 45,190 hours** at WHS and at the WHS Thrift Store. This was the equivalent of 22 full-time employees. Conservatively calculated at minimum wage, **the value of this support would be over \$500,000.** WHS volunteers provided pets with compassionate care and training in a variety of ways: Cleaned kennels, socialized cats, and walked dogs; assisted adoptions, intake, and administration; drove animals to veterinary specialist appointments and transfers; coordinated kitten vaccine clinics; staffed retail operations; and so much more. **Thank you!**



EDUCATING THE NEXT GENERATION

How do you ensure that dogs and cats have a safe space to spend their lives? It starts with education. The more young kids know about animal welfare, the better the animal guardians they will be as adults. **The Humane Education and Outreach program reached 4,407 people in Marion and Polk counties.** Through the program, 102 students attended shelter tours, while more than 80 youth took part in five summer camps to learn about the humane treatment of animals, pet-child safety, and the incredible benefits of the human-animal bond.



SHOPPING TO SUPPORT THE SHELTER

The Willamette Humane Society Thrift Store in downtown Salem serves as a shelter lifeline. Every time families donate or shop at the store, they help dogs and cats find forever families. The Thrift Store had a very busy year. **Close to 30,000 transactions were rung up through the cash register.** The store was responsible for more than \$327,000 in sales. **Our Holiday Bazaar is one of the largest shopping events of the year, and we had a record-breaking 2019.** Shoppers brought in close to \$6,000 in sales on the first day alone. The total for that one weekend came close to \$10,000!