News

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Mid-Year Check in!

It's June already?!? This year is flying by and we have so much more we wish to accomplish! So far this year we have taken in dogs and cats that have been abandoned, neglected, unwanted, unloved, and unclaimed. We have had some sad stories, some happy endings, some new beginnings and lots and lots of progress!

We have persevered only with the help from supporters like you. Join us as we continue our work to offer low-cost veterinary services and rescue to the homeless pet population in our community. Every time you volunteer, donate or share our social media posts you are making a difference! We can not do it without your help!

For The Animals, The Columbus Dog Connection Team



This newsletter is dedicated in memory to Ace. We were sad to meet you at your end, but we are so thankful to love you while you walked across Rainbows Bridge.





Longest Foster Dog:

Sasha
In foster care since May 2022



Longest Foster Cat:

Julia
In foster care since June 2018

Check out all of our adoptable pet profiles on our website!

Foster Program

In addition to the 49 fosters we had in foster care at the end of 2022, in 2023 we have taken in 55 cats and dogs; adopted out 35; released 6 to another organization; TNR 4; helped 5 cross the rainbow bridge; and have 11 in permanent foster care, leaving 43 adoptables in foster care as of today. To date our medical fees for fosters are \$11,900.52. Some of their stories are highlighted below

Hugo

Hugo was referred to us by his vet after his owners scheduled euthanasia. They felt he had poor quality of life, and his vet did not agree with that assessment. They were willing to surrender him to us. His surgery fee was just over \$800. He was recently attacked by a loose dog while walking with his foster but is recovering well.

Tina

Tina came to us a few years ago after needing one of her hind limbs amputated and could no longer live outdoors. During an annual exam this year we noted that she had at least one tooth that needed to be extracted. Just before her dental was scheduled we noticed a hard bump on her head which turned out to be a benign mass. She ended up having the mass removed and 5 teeth extracted. Her bill was \$432. Tina married Fowler in an office ceremony this year.

Bruno

Bruno is our newest canine intake. He was found by a good Samaritan wandering near a gas station. They were turned away by Franklin County and Columbus Humane due to lack of space before coming to us. He was microchipped but sadly the owner did not return our calls and blocked us on Facebook. Bruno has some pain in his hips and legs so we will need to get him x-rayed before we can develop a physical therapy plan for him.

Flower & Yellow Litters

In the past month 10 cats were left in wire crates at our front door by the same women who were seen on camera dumping them before 7am. That is 10 more cats brought into our program to be spayed/neutered, vaccinated and tested prior to adoption.



Hugo

Tina



Bruno







Dumped Litters

Participate in our annual Fundraiser to cover foster medical expenses







Every envelope adopted helps cover medical expenses for our fosters 👺

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By making a donation of \$1-\$250 you can symbolically adopt an envelope. Your donation goes towards covering the veterinary costs our fosters incur.

We have currently raised 6% of our goal! Please consider donating to our foster fund here:



Spay/Neuter Clinics

Year to date surgeries: 352 of which 170 were cats and 182 dogs. We have performed surgeries for 12 other rescues and shelters in Ohio and have used \$5229 in grants to subsidize their surgery costs. We have sterilized roughly 69 feral/community cats through our TNR program and for other rescues.

Vaccine Clinics

Our vaccine clinic continues to be an invaluable resource for our community to receive low cost care. We have served 518 patients to date. Our volunteers are what makes it a success. We are proud to announce that we will be partnering with The Columbus Foundation for the Better Together project at the end of June to raise awareness and funds for this very important service offered to our community. The project is set to launch at the end of June. Please stay tuned to our website and social media (Facebook and Instagram) for updates. We are counting on you to share our posts and updates and promote this very worthwhile project with your contacts. We are

<u>Trailer Park Project</u>

Tgether

As most of our followers and supporters know, we are caretakers and TNR for community and feral cats. What you may not know is that we try to help other animals that reside at the same location. For example, we have rescued some dogs from living in squalor conditions and they have entered our adoption program. We have also collaborated with another organization to have 20 plus cats removed from a trailer where they were living in deplorable conditions. It took over 8 months and as it turned out, some of the cats removed were deceased by the time it was resolved. The person is legally not allowed to own anymore animals. In addition, the property next to this location was excavated for new builds and all the wildlife and other feral cats have made their way to the location, hungry and displaced. The residents don't want them there and this makes our efforts more difficult.

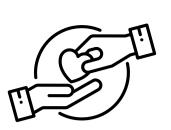


Willie and Nelson found abandoned and starved.



Crumbl living in squalor.





UPCOMING EVENTS



We hope you can join us at the following events:

Hollywood Feed- Upper Arlington

June 24th 12pm-3pm Microchips * Adoptable Dogs * CDC Swag Sale * The Andy Truck Tours

Subaru Wag-O-Ween

Byers Subaru Airport
Oct 28th 11am-1pm
Microchips * Adoptable Dogs * Costume Contest *
Food Provided

Annual Fundraiser

Upper Arlington Veterinary Hospital Oct 12th Details to follow

Nocterra Brewing Co.

Sometime this fall
Adoption Event and fundraiser with
Top Dog Daycare & Boarding

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17 dogs and 18 cats!

Fiona * Eddie * June *
Concord * Millie *
Olivia Rodrigo * Poppy *
Dutch * Grayson *
Wyatt * Journey * Ferris *
LuLu * Aster * Riley *
Halloween * Theodore *
Michael * Benny * Gene *
Kate Hudson * Tofu *
Sundae * Darlene *
Cashew * Mary Lou *
Reeves* Fender *
Gracie Lou * Chanel *
Daniel * Amber * Callie *
Darren * Lavender *

We currently have 9 adoptable dogs and 40 adoptable cats available.

We are always in need of more foster homes. If interested please reply to this newsletter and ask about fostering!

