



SPAY NEUTER NETWORK



2019 Annual Report



Pet Overpopulation. Fixed. For Good.



Spay Neuter Network continues to serve as North Texas' leader in high-quality, high-volume spay/neuter surgeries as we work to end euthanasia and help all animal lovers care responsibly for their dogs and cats, regardless of their income.

We provide more surgeries in a single day than most private veterinarians perform in three months.
80% of the services we provide are entirely free of charge.

This is critical in reaching at-risk communities that generate many of the animals that wind up in shelters.
Every year, there are an estimated 350,000 stray dogs and cats in North Texas.
Every year, more than 57,000 are euthanized.

By helping us provide spaying, neutering, vaccines and microchipping in communities with the greatest need, you're empowering neighborhoods to care for their animals. You're helping to end the tragedy of pet overpopulation and bringing us closer to a world in which all pets are safe, healthy and wanted.

This report is about you - our donors, clients and volunteers - and the enormous impact you helped to create for tens of thousands of pets and people in just a single year.

I'm grateful for what you've helped us to accomplish as we work to create compassionate communities free of homeless pets across North Texas, one neighborhood at a time.

Bonnie Hill, Executive Director



Our Mission: To eliminate pet overpopulation through spay/neuter services, while empowering communities to care responsibly for dogs and cats.

Your 2019 Impact On Animals

27,701 pets spayed and neutered
 47,466 dogs and cats vaccinated
 15,136 pets microchipped
 2,848 feral & community cats fixed and saved
 9,409 pets transported for surgery

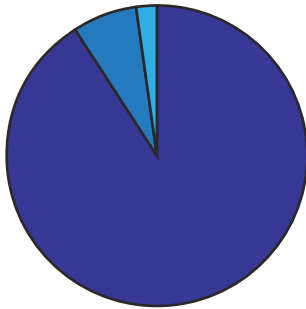
Your 2019 Impact on People

30,500 households in high-risk neighborhoods visited *
 11,900 public schoolchildren taught compassionate and responsible pet ownership
 20,454 pet owners whose animals received services
 18,248 new clients served

* Figures tracked from April to December



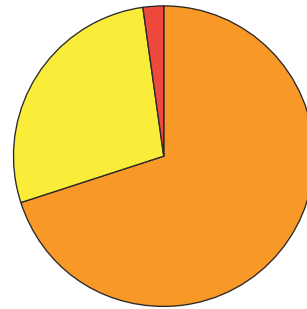
How Your Donations Were Allocated *



Program Service Expenses, 91% (\$3,679,026)
 Management & General Expenses, 7% (\$273,234)
 Fundraising Expenses, 2% (\$85,359)

Total = \$4,037,619

Where We Get Funding *



Contributions, Gifts and Grants, 70% (\$5,276,712)
 Revenues from service programs, 28% (\$2,072,318)
 Other, 2% (\$145,504)

Total = \$7,494,534

* Figures based on latest audited 990 financial statements available, for 2018. Contributions, gifts and grants include \$2,978,261 in restricted funds used for services in 2019.



Helping More Animals with a New Clinic

In 2019 Spay Neuter Network opened a new clinic in Fort Worth to aid homeless dogs and cats in the nation's 13th largest city, where the city shelter takes in roughly 15,000 unwanted animals a year. Our new clinic spays and neuters dogs and cats free of charge for residents in Fort Worth. As part of a multi-pronged approach to reduce accidental pet births and euthanasia in Fort Worth, we also launched marketing and outreach campaigns targeting 12 Fort Worth zip codes with the highest rates of shelter intake. **These efforts support the clinic's goal to spay/neuter 33,000 animals in three years — all free of charge.**

Spay Neuter Network runs multiple programs to lower unwanted pet populations in Dallas-Fort Worth, the nation's fourth largest metropolitan area, and in surrounding counties where there are few resources to assist pet owners. These programs include:

 **Transport vans to serve veterinary deserts.** Our transport vans pick up pets from over 35 locations across 15 North Texas counties where veterinary care is distant or nonexistent. After pets are spayed and neutered in our clinics, they are returned to their communities, easing the burden on working families to access affordable spaying, neutering and basic veterinary care.

 **Mobile vaccine clinics to keep vulnerable pet populations healthy.** We stage mobile vaccine clinics almost every week of the year in community centers, churches and other locations to protect pets from rabies, parvo, feline leukemia, distemper and other life-threatening illnesses.

 **A mobile hospital to provide immediate, on-site care.** A climate-controlled, 40-foot bus with two operating tables and 40+ recovery kennels serves as our mobile animal surgical hospital and goes directly into the neediest urban and rural communities to provide surgeries on-site.

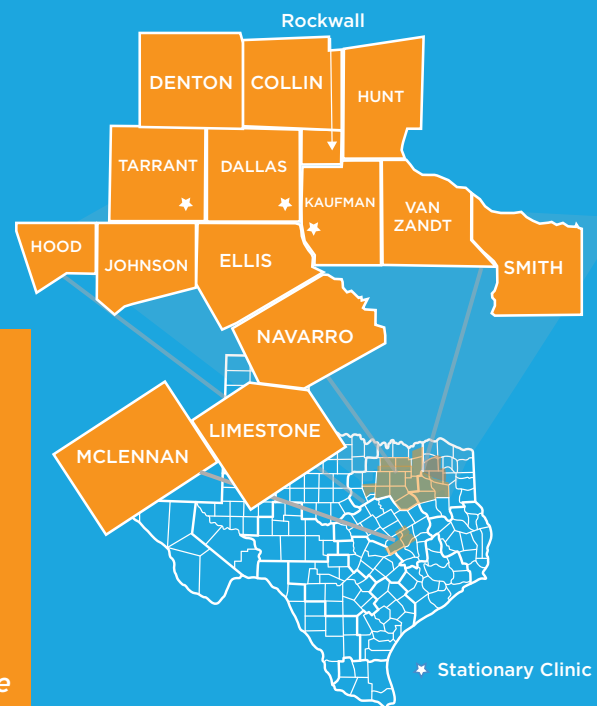
The Clinics Your Donations Sustain

In Kaufman County —
102 E. Trunk Street, Crandall, Texas 75114

In Dallas County —
2223 S. Buckner Blvd, Dallas, Texas 75227

In Tarrant County —
3117 E. Seminary Drive, Fort Worth, Texas 76119

The Counties We Serve



Fancy was born into a pack of loose dogs in rural East Texas. The puppy had not yet turned a year old when she went into heat. Male dogs began harassing her, so she fled to a parking lot, where Clint had pulled over to call his wife. While speaking with his wife in the car, Clint saw a brindle dog with floppy ears being harassed by 7 or 8 dogs. He pushed hard on his horn, and the dogs scattered. When Clint arrived at his brother's house 20 miles later, he discovered the young brindle on the floor of the side-by-side, ATV he'd been pulling on his trailer. Clint and his wife brought Fancy to us to get spayed. They planned to give her to a relative afterwards, but they couldn't bring themselves to give her up. "She goes to work with me every day now," says Clint. "She's my little side-kick."

Responding to Pets in Crisis

In 2019, Spay Neuter Network joined an historic effort to help animals born in the years after Hurricane Maria hit Puerto Rico, where there are as many as 300,000 unowned dogs and a million stray cats. In six days, we operated on more than 6,000 animals. We've also responded to animal emergencies after Hurricane Harvey and the tornado in Canton, and in 2018 we flew to the U.S. territory of Saipan where some residents were using guns to reduce strays. Since 2003, we have provided critical support to more than 100 shelters and rescue groups in Texas and beyond to help dogs and cats in crisis situations.



Harper nearly died in a cardboard box left on the side of a highway. A man whose car had broken down found the tiny, malnourished kitten when his dog approached a box sealed by tape. The man took Harper to Vhea Cannon, the owner of a grooming salon who brings rescued animals to Spay Neuter Network to get treated. A foster parent cared for Harper until she'd gained weight, then Vhea brought her into our Dallas clinic to get spayed. By the time Harper left our clinic, Vhea had found Harper a new home. "We just wouldn't be able to afford a regular vet. Spay Neuter Network lets us help more dogs and cats than we'd otherwise be able to." - Vhea Cannon.

Saving Feral and Community Cats

Spay Neuter Network's Return-to-Field program spays and neuters stray and feral cats brought to Dallas Animal Services and returns them to the neighborhoods where they live. ***This program spares the lives of more than 2,000 cats a year and saves more animal lives from Dallas' shelter than any other agency.*** Our free and low-cost spay/neuter services support TNR efforts by rescue groups and by individuals such as Cynthia Brown, a stay-at-home mom who has used our free feral & community cat fix specials to spay and neuter more than 250 cats she's trapped in her community of Pleasant Grove over the past two years - all without charge.



Raisin, Nugget and Grayson came to Spay Neuter Network after a woman noticed a growing number of stray cats in a commercial and industrial area of Dallas. The woman alerted Liz Dubuis, who joined others to trap the cats and get them altered. After surgery, each cat's ear got "tipped" - a sign to let animal control and others know that the cat will no longer reproduce. Dubuis estimates they trapped 45 cats in 8 to 10 weeks. Helping these cats stay out of a shelter and preventing more shelter kittens means "I'm helping animals in the maximum way I can," says Dubuis.



Recognized Nationally for Our Work

Spay Neuter Network's high-volume spay/neuter programs gained national attention in 2019, when **Best Friends Animal Society** chose our clinic as one of only two site visits offered at the end of its four-day **National Conference in Dallas, Texas**. Best Friends brought attendees from around the country to see how Spay Neuter Network's grassroots, community-based clinics can have a major impact on reducing animal overpopulation and euthanasia. The conference attracted 1,800 attendees and more than 50 exhibitors — all with the goal of making every state in our nation a no-kill state by 2025. Every dollar you give advances this goal by making spaying, neutering and vaccines available to North Texas' neediest dogs and cats.

Shaping the Next Generation of Animal Lovers & Caregivers

Spay Neuter Network developed a first-of-its kind, dog safety and compassionate pet care program for public school children in the nation's 13th largest city, where loose dogs have roamed onto playgrounds and intimidated children walking to school. The program, created by a certified humane education instructor, sought to reach 5,000 Fort Worth children in kindergarten through the 5th grade in its first year. **Spay Neuter Network exceeded that goal, reaching 5,146 children in just the final half of the 2018-2019 school year.** Children also received vouchers for free spay/neuter surgeries, rabies vaccines and microchipping for pets they had at home. Spay Neuter Network's **veterinary externship program** gives veterinary students the opportunity to spend 2-4 weeks working alongside our veterinarians to learn specialized skills required for high-volume spay/neuter surgeries in rescue, shelter and nonprofit environments. *"The safety information was particularly vital for our kids. This program is an outstanding extension of learning for our children."* — **Kyle Williams**,



Creating a Cultural Shift With Door-to-Door Outreach

Spay Neuter Network's outreach team expanded to Fort Worth in 2019, going door to door in neighborhoods that generate the most calls for animal control assistance. The team educates pet owners on the need to spay/neuter, vaccinate and microchip pets, informs them on how to access these services and books spay/neuter surgery appointments on the spot. The team targets the hardest-to-reach pet owners, including the elderly and those in extreme poverty. The team reached more than 30,000 residents in Dallas and Fort Worth over the past year and provided labor-intensive, hands-on help to get 2,200 pets in these households booked for surgery.



Looking Ahead at 2020

Spay Neuter Network is kicking off the “Fixed. For Good” campaign in 2020 to provide spaying, neutering and basic veterinary care on a regular basis to every community within the 16 counties of the North Central Texas Council of Governments. This encompasses an area of nearly 12,500 square miles. Beyond the Dallas-Fort Worth Metroplex, these are largely rural communities. Veterinary care is distant, limited and costly, and there are few resources to aid free-roaming dogs and cats. We will work with local governments, shelters and rescues to identify locations of critical need and work with donors and funders to deploy our mobile hospital and our transport vans to these locations as often as needed. We are prepared and committed to end pet overpopulation in an even broader area of Texas and have you to thank for it!

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