

ANNUAL REPORT 2022



Cleveland Division of Animal Care & Control

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CHALLENGE ACCEPTED



On behalf of the staff and volunteers of the Division of Animal Care & Control, I am honored to present our Annual Report for 2022. It has been a challenging year for not only our Division, but animal welfare organizations across the country. Old challenges resurfaced from pre-pandemic days while new challenges also formed. The Division impounded over 5,000 animals and responded to over 9,000 more calls in 2022 than the year prior. All while navigating this new terrain by finding creative and adaptive ways to overcome the challenges we face in the animal welfare field. I want to thank our dedicated staff and the over 200 volunteers who put in more than 25,000 hours who showed up for this division, the animals, and the community.

This past year, was an eye-opening year for the division. We saw more abandonment, more injuries more cruelty and neglect, and more unwanted pets. We also saw a real need in education and outreach, and finding effective ways to support the community we serve. The key word for 2022 may have been “challenges” however, through fresh approaches, enhanced educational outreach, and building better programs in 2023, we are certainly more prepared for 2023.

Our goals for this upcoming year include educating our community on the importance of pet identification. We look to host pop-up microchip clinics as well as educate on the importance of heartworm prevention, and spay/neuter. We are in the process of planning “Check Your Chip” days to ensure pet owners have their information up to date on the pet’s microchip. The division is also focused on supporting and collaborating more with our rescue partners and animal welfare colleagues. We plan to host Rescue Open Houses and Foster Recruitment Mixers to help them recruit fosters for their organizations. Additionally, we are investing in finding more positive outcomes through adoptions. The division saw a 30% increase in adoptions from the previous year. We will continue to expand and grow our adoption program. The focus on these programs will be vital in reducing the kennel population within our facility, all while creating a safer, and healthier community between people and their pets.

Sincerely,

Cory Keller, Manager

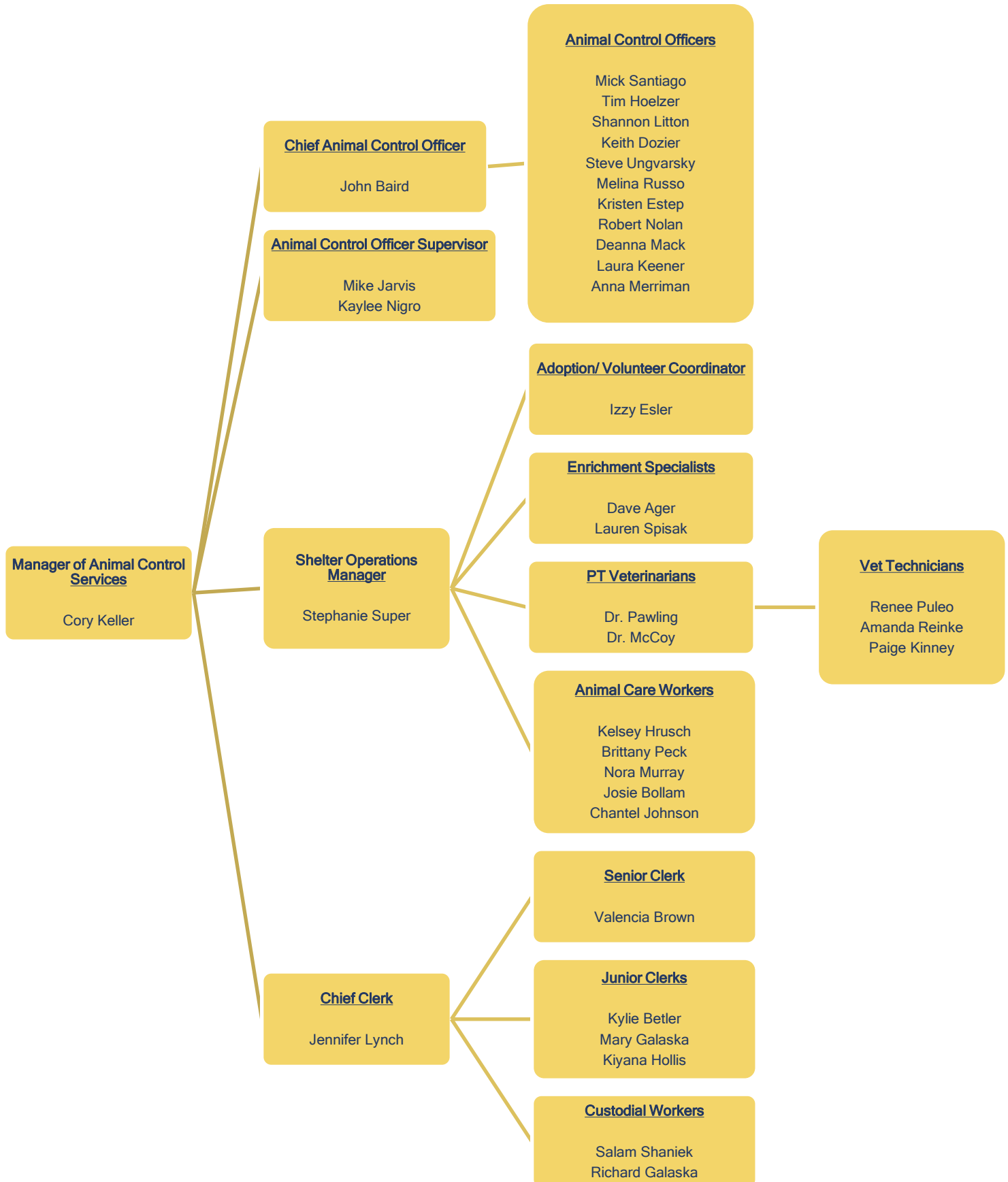
Division of Animal Care & Control

MISSION

The City of Cleveland Division of Animal Care and Control mission is to protect the safety of our residents by impounding stray dogs and nuisance wildlife, while providing humane care for the animals in our care. Promote responsible pet ownership by providing education and animal resources to the public, enforcement of city animal ordinances, pet identification, and animal adoption programs.

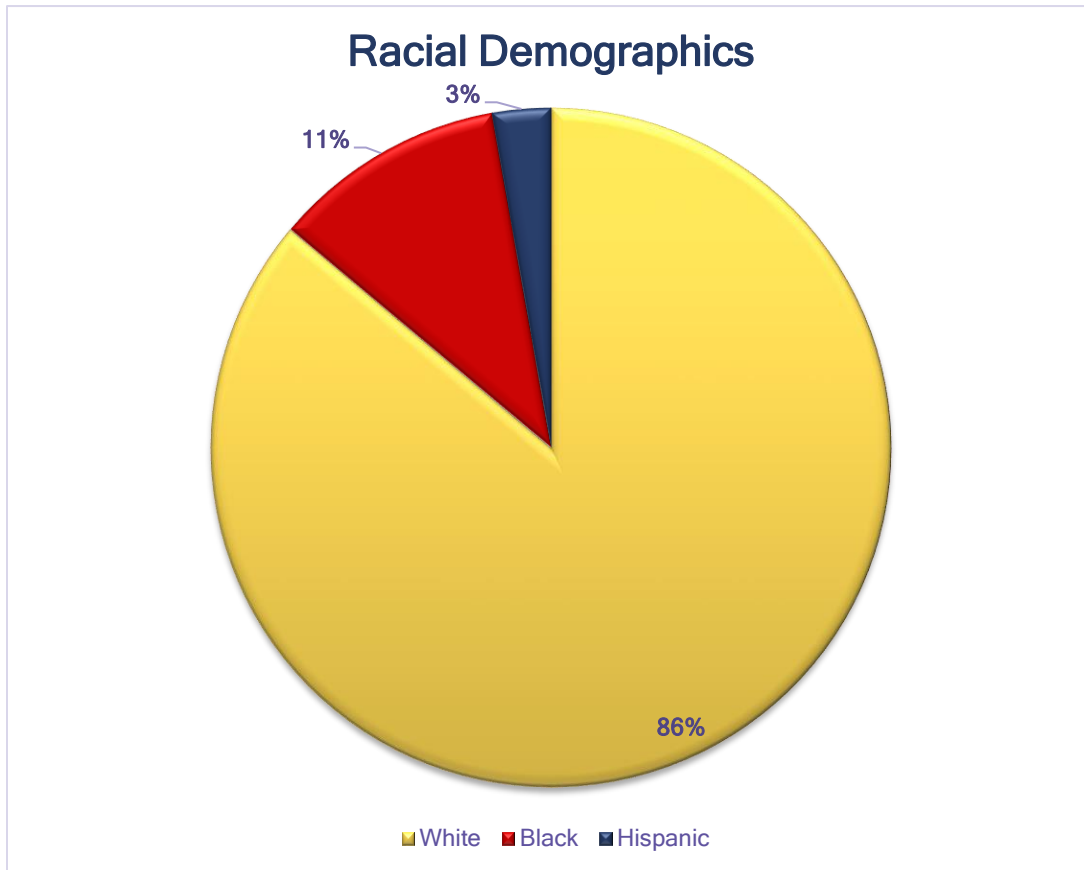


ORGANIZATIONAL CHART



EMPLOYEE DEMOGRAPHICS

Total Staff 36	Male 13	Female 23
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AGE DEMOGRAPHICS OF ALL EMPLOYEES

18 - 25 years of age - 1 (3%)

26 - 35 years of age - 13 (36%)

36 - 45 years of age - 9 (25%)

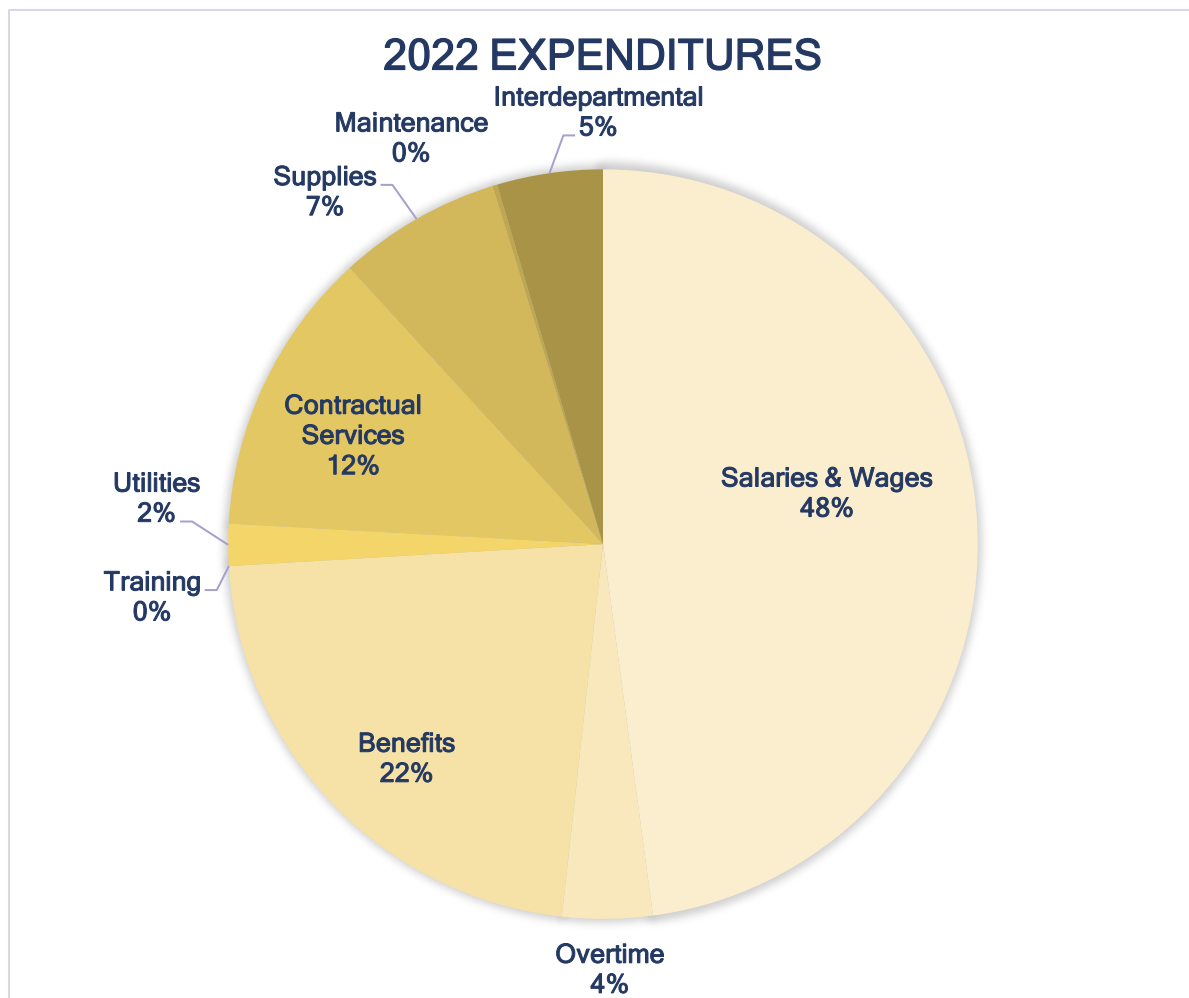
46 - 55 years of age - 8 (22%)

56+ years of age - 5 (14%)

STATEMENT OF FINANCES

2022 Annual AC&C Expenses

Expense	Budgeted	Expended
Salaries & Wages	\$1,639,857.00	\$ 1,339,687.68
Overtime	\$60,000.00	\$108,592.66
Benefits	\$709,961.00	\$624,441.69
Training	\$5,500.00	\$0.00
Utilities	\$64,059.00	\$50,560.01
Contractual Services	\$349,300.00	\$344,606.60
Supplies	\$203,500.00	\$197,355.32
Maintenance	\$5,800.00	\$5,670.00
Interdepartmental	\$177,276.00	\$127,530.58



FACILITIES

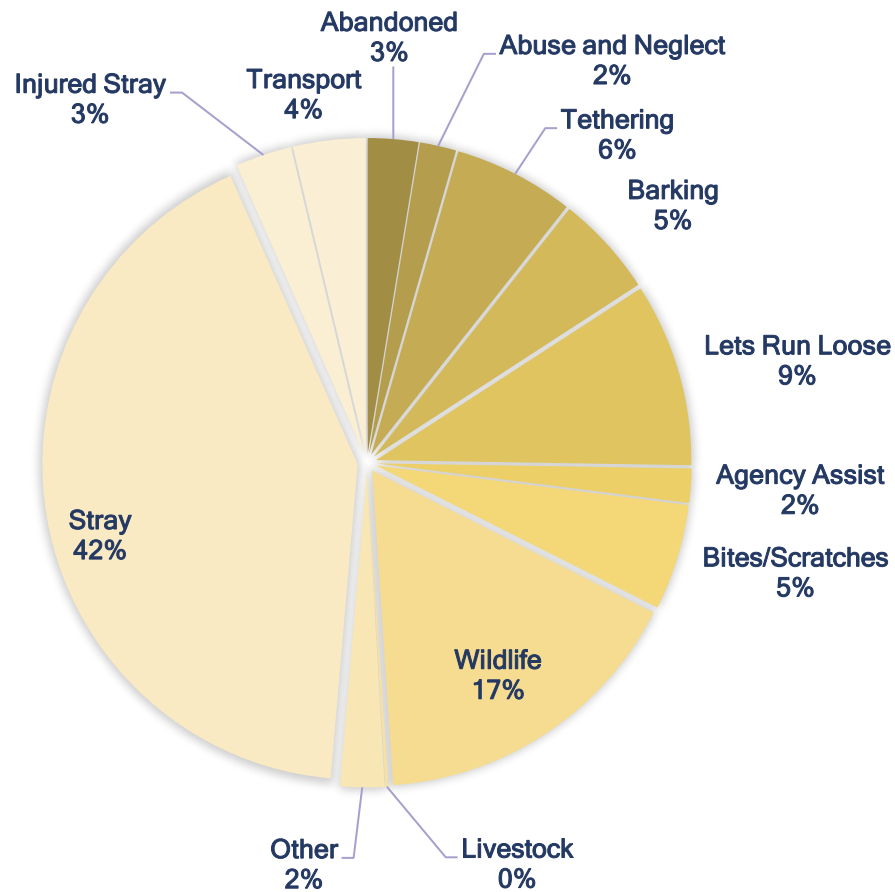
The 15,500 sq. ft. facility located at 9203 Detroit Avenue opened in March of 2019 and embodies the current best practice standards for kennels and meets the City of Cleveland's goal of LEED Silver Energy and Environmental Design Standards. The innovative design provides a safe, clean, healthy environment to support staff and volunteers in the care of animals and the promotion of animal adoption. The 4.8 acre site includes five fenced in exercise yards with all-weather turf. The kennel has also enhanced volunteer involvement to permit more dogs to be exercised outside for fresh air and enrichment.



2022 YEAR IN REVIEW

TOTAL CALLS FOR SERVICE

9,483



2022 YEAR IN REVIEW

TOTAL CASES IN COURT

363*

*includes cases continued in court from previous years

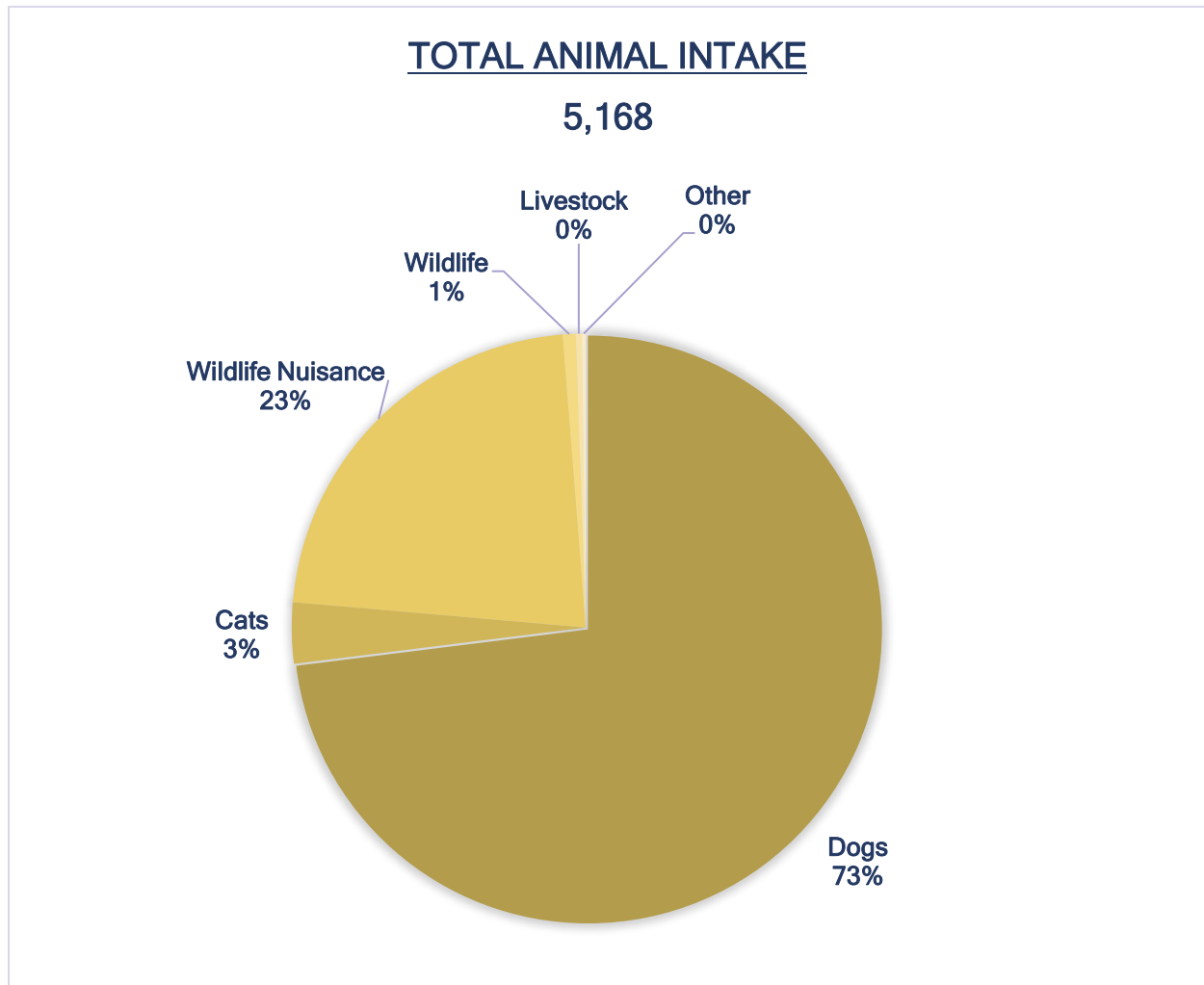
NEW CASES FOR 2022

575

Dogs that Pose a Threat to Public Safety (M-1)	604.03B	2
Dogs that Pose a Threat to Public Safety (M-1)	604.04	2
Animal Neglect (M-1)	603.091	1
Dog Nuisance - (Dog Bite M-1)	603.04B5	102
Animal or Fowl at Large (Minor Misdemeanor)	603.01	301
Un-muzzled Dog at Large (Minor Misdemeanor)	603.02	4
Dog Nuisance - (Minor Misdemeanor)	603.04	58
No Dog License (Minor Misdemeanor)	603.05	86
Tethering Violation (Minor Misdemeanor)	603.092	19



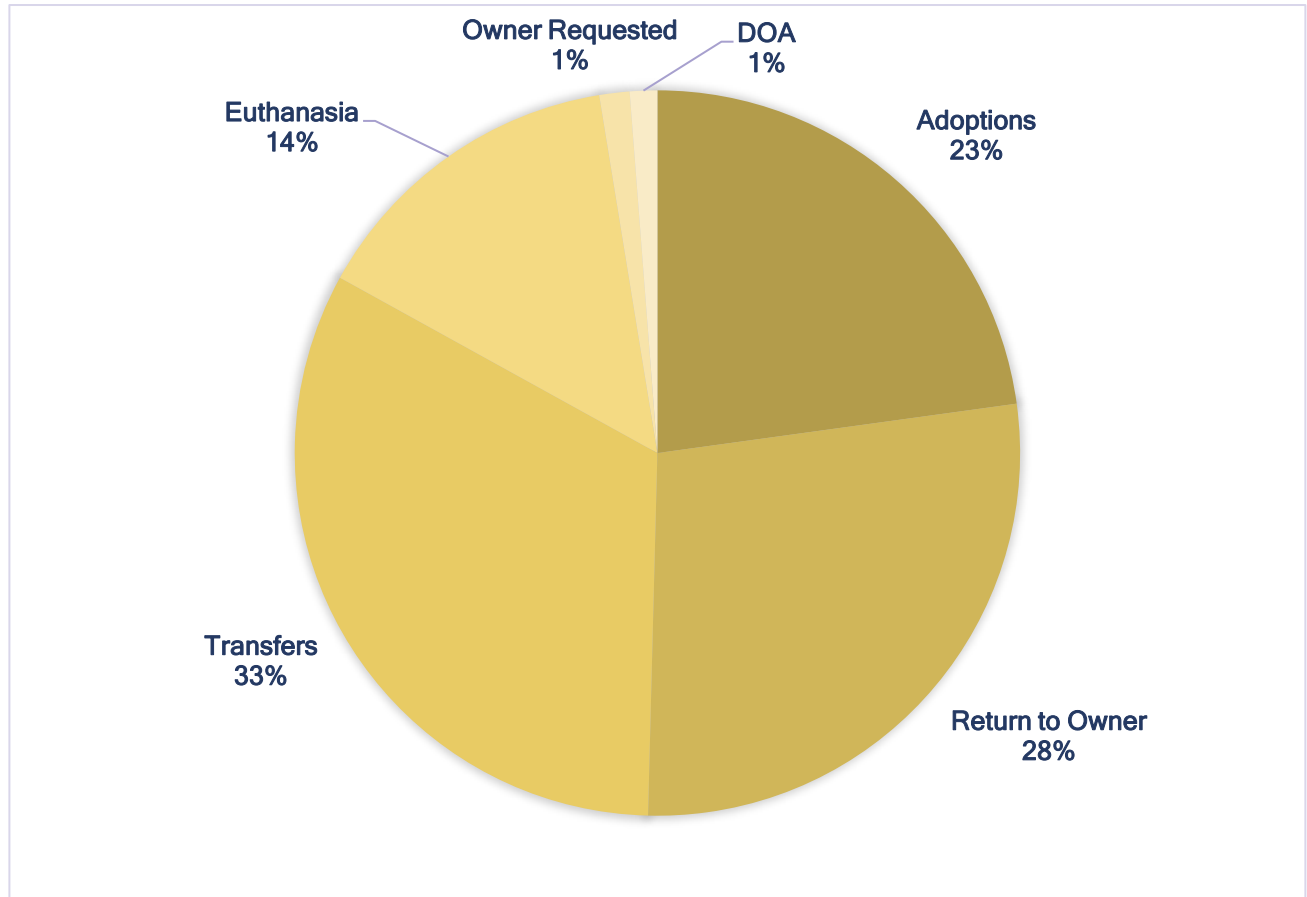
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TOTAL ANIMAL OUTCOMES

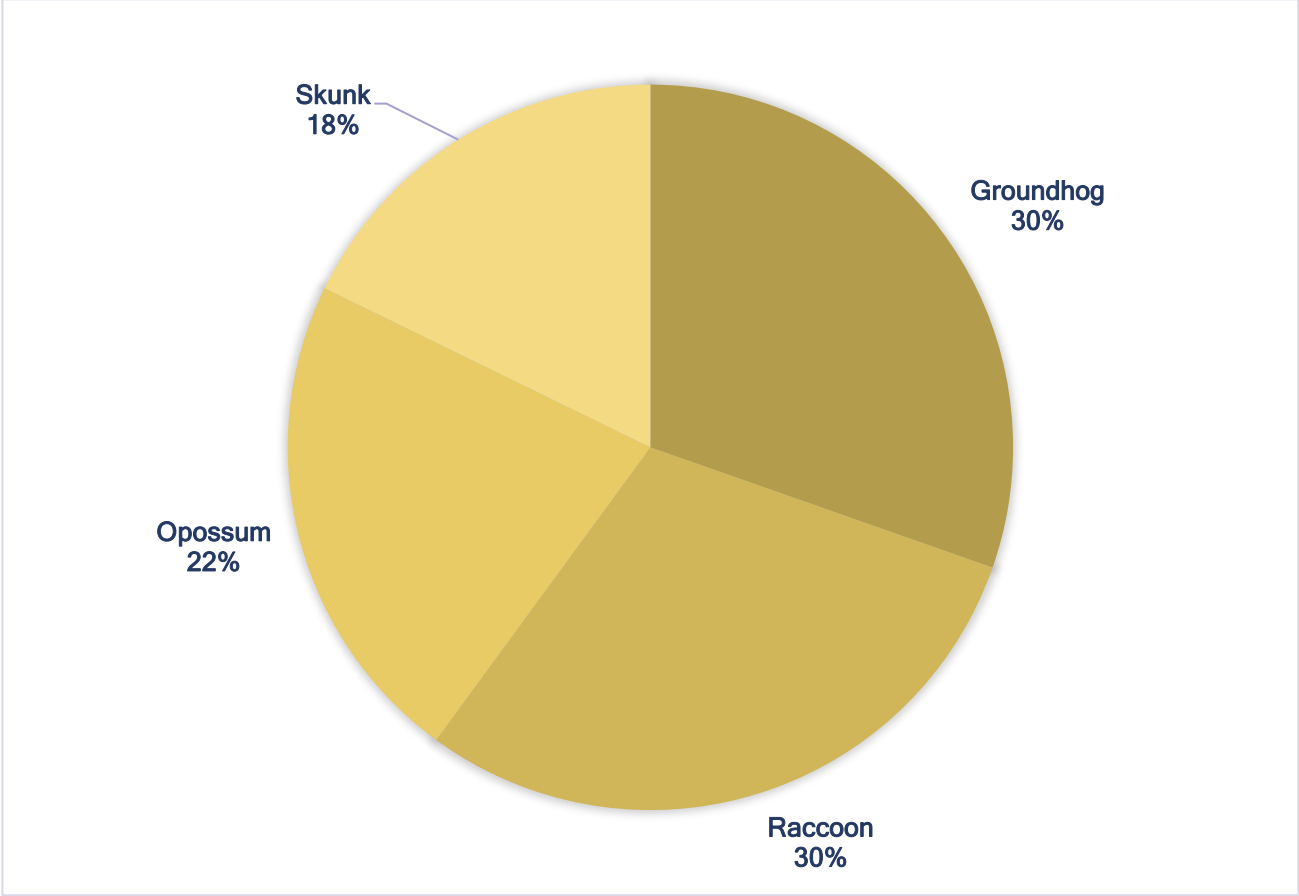
4,013



2022 YEAR IN REVIEW

WILDLIFE NUISANCE TRAPPING PROGRAM

2,133



OUR SUCCESS



2022 Year in Review

Dogs Reunited with Owner:

1,102



Dogs adopted:

913

Dogs transferred:

1,177

(thank you rescue partners!)



200 volunteers
donated 25,000+
hours of time

Live Release Rate:
86.2%

93 dogs got to go
on 7 different
group hikes

88 dogs hosted for
sleepovers or in
foster homes

10,472 Kongs
stuffed and
distributed

26 dogs treated
for heartworm

780 dogs
spayed/neutered

Attended 93
Community Events

29 Runners took 115
different dogs on
1,175 miles of runs

OUR SUCCESS

THE LIFE-SAVING STORY OF FINN



One cold, dark night, we received a call for an injured, stray dog from the division of police. They were patrolling when a person flagged the officers down and pointed them towards the direction of a dog. Animal Care & Control was called immediately, the officers put the dog in the back of their vehicle as they awaited our arrival.

Once our officer was on scene, he realized this dog wasn't injured but clearly neglected. The dog needed immediate medical intervention to save his life. The dog was taken to the emergency veterinarian hospital.



I recall seeing the photos, and speaking with the emergency veterinarian on-call. He was so emaciated and lethargic. He couldn't stand and the support staff was unable to get a temperature on him. We were both unsure if he would make it through the night. They were to call me if he began to crash.

The next morning I woke to a surprise message that he survived. They had him on fluids and he even began to wag his tail. The same day, my staff began to network. We began to put a call out to any rescue willing to take over care so he can hopefully begin to recover and live a better life. Toby's Critter Cove Rescue stepped up, took over his medical care, and now he is adopted and living his best life.

Sometimes it takes a village, and we are so appreciative of all the support we receive from our fellow public safety divisions.

SPECIAL THANKS TO...



Without the support of our all of our rescue partners, the Division of Animal Care & Control would not be able to fulfill its mission and find placement for the thousands of animals we impound. This doesn't just include dogs. In 2022, we placed **1,307** total animals with rescues, shelters, humane societies, and other agencies. Some of the notable animals this past year include alligators with the Ohio Department of Agriculture, several hawks with Lake Erie Nature Center, and Northeast Animal Shelter in Massachusetts (our longest transport trip).

The Division would like to highlight all of the organizations who assisted us with placing animals in 2022.

THANK YOU RESCUE PARTNERS!

A New Leash on Life - 2
 Angel for Animals - 8
 Ashtabula County Animal Protective League - 4
 Berea Animal Rescue Fund - 161
 Buckeye Australian Cattle Dog Rescue - 1
 Char-Wills Kennels - 2
 Cle Dog Rescue - 12
 Cleveland APL - 150
 Columbus Cocker Rescue - 1
 Cuyahoga County Animal Shelter - 435
 Dogs Unlimited Rescue - 3
 Fido's Companion Rescue - 27
 Fila 911 Rescue & Rehab - 1
 Forget Me Not - 2
 Friendship APL - 71
 G.R.I.N - 3
 Geauga Mama Dog Rescue - 5
 Grateful Paws Rescue - 5
 Growls & Howls Animal Rescue - 6
 Hartman's Hounds - 4
 Humane Society of Erie County - 16
 Humane Society of Sandusky County - 9
 Island Safe Harbor - 7
 Kentuckiana Pug Rescue - 1
 Erie Labrador Retriever Rescue - 6
 Lake Erie Nature Center - 7
 Lakemore Dogs - 1
 Maggie's Mission - 5
 Mastino Rescue - 2
 Mercy's Door Rescue - 2
 Miami Valley Pit Crew - 1
 Mid-Ohio Waterfowl Rescue - 1
 MidCoast Humane - 1
 MidWest Boston Terrier Rescue - 1
 Mini Mutts Rescue - 23
 Multiple Breed Rescue - 17
 Muttley Crue Rescue CLE - 34
 Mutts in a Rut - 61
 New Hampshire SPCA - 3
 Northeast Animal Shelter - 31
 Ohio Department of Agriculture - 2
 Parma Animal Shelter - 17
 Paws and Prayers - 9
 R.E.A.L Rott Rescue - 4
 Remi's Pre Recovery - 1
 Rescue Village - 29
 Safe Harbor Animal Rescue - 2
 Save A Mom Pregnant Dog Rescue - 2
 Save a Soul Rescue North - 1
 Sophia's Grace Foundation - 28
 Tails from the City - 9
 The Homestead Animal Sanctuary - 1
 The Rescue Inn - 1
 The Sanctuary for Senior Dogs - 15
 Toby's Critter Cove Rescue - 8
 Tri-C West - 6
 Wayne County Humane Society - 4
 WPAH - 3
 Whispering Acres Farm Animal Sanctuary - 4
 Wood County Humane Society - 11

SPECIAL THANKS TO...



Our non-profit partner Friends of City Dogs Cleveland, has been pivotal to the success of the Division by delivering financial support so dogs can receive above and beyond medical care and enrichment during their stay at the kennels. The partnership and collaboration between Animal Care & Control and Friends of City Dogs is like no other. They have truly leaned forward in their support of the Division and have amplified our message to get more dogs into great homes. Thank you, Friends of City Dogs Cleveland for all that you do for dogs under our care at the kennel.



THANK YOU FOR YOUR SUPPORT!

