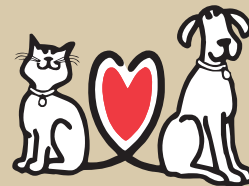




OHS Annual Report 2009-10



Ottawa Humane Society


Last year, with your help, the Ottawa Humane Society rescued and cared for 11,073 animals in our community.



MISSION

To work in and with our community to provide leadership in the humane treatment of all animals, to address the causes of animal suffering, to encourage people to take responsibility for their animal companions and to provide care for animals who are neglected, abused, exploited, stray or homeless.



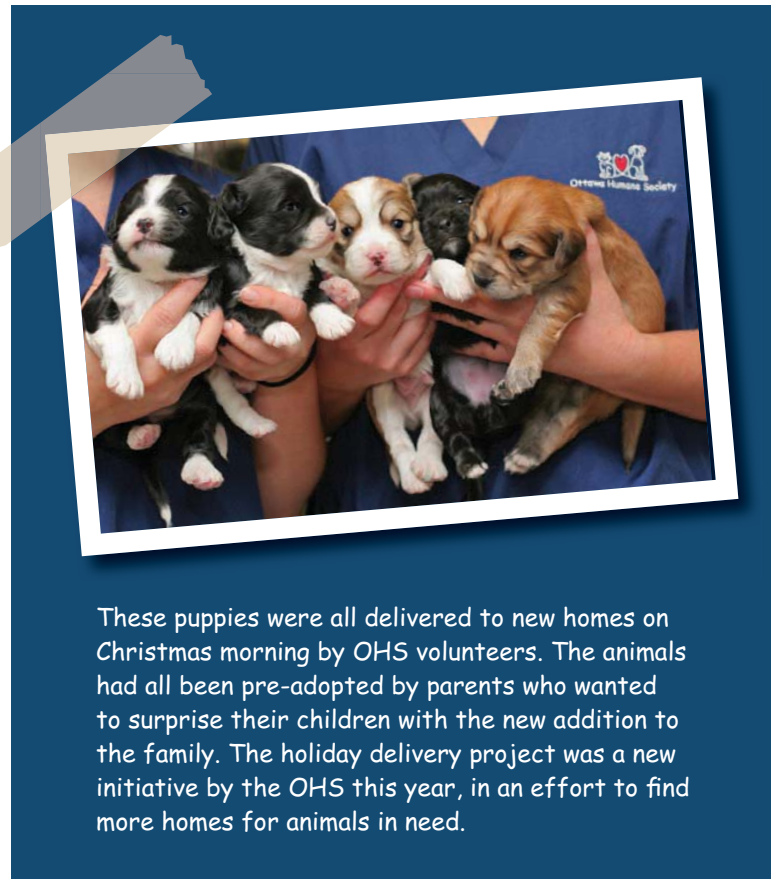


Helping animals in our community... and beyond

Last year the OHS admitted **7,318 cats**, **2,408 dogs**, **512 small animals** and **802 wildlife**.

Thanks to you, we found new, forever homes for 3,617 animals. More than 1,440 animals were adopted through our PAL (Pet Adoption Location) sites — a 16% increase over last year — and we facilitated the adoption of 85 animals with special needs.

We took in 2,279 pets from owners who were no longer able to care for their animals for financial or other reasons. And, in our slower times, more than 85 dogs were flown to Ottawa from the north for a second chance at life as part of our Iqaluit program.



These puppies were all delivered to new homes on Christmas morning by OHS volunteers. The animals had all been pre-adopted by parents who wanted to surprise their children with the new addition to the family. The holiday delivery project was a new initiative by the OHS this year, in an effort to find more homes for animals in need.




Helping animals return home



The problem of lost animals in our community continues. Last year, **only 5% of lost cats were claimed by their owners, compared to 59% of dogs.**

To combat these dismal numbers, the OHS holds public microchip clinics. Last year, 302 animals received permanent identification at one of our clinics.

Rosie was missing for over a month on the streets of Ottawa before being picked up by a Good Samaritan and brought to the OHS. Her owners filled out a lost report with us, and that helped in making a match — and a quick reunion — when the cat arrived as a stray. Sadly, happy stories like Rosie's are all too rare, as the vast majority of cats come through our doors with no identification, and without anyone coming to look for them.



Helping animals in need

The OHS provides life-saving medical treatment for animals, as well as important spay/neuter surgeries to address pet overpopulation in our community.

- Number of spay/neuter surgeries: 3,011
- Number of life-saving surgeries performed in the in-house OHS clinic last year: 460

Fred is a young cat who came to the OHS as a stray. Fred's life on the streets was made even more dangerous by his eye condition, where his lower eyelid was turning directly in and rubbing on the surface of his eye, causing him pain and vision problems. Fred underwent delicate surgery in the OHS clinic to relieve his discomfort and improve his sight. Thanks to generous donors like you, Fred was able to receive the help he needed and go on to find love in a new, forever home.



Rescuing and protecting animals



Our Emergency Animal Protection Services rescued 1,441 animals in our community last year, including these pigs, who were two of seven abandoned outside a local political office. It was left to the OHS to pick up the pigs, and care for them temporarily until we could find them a new home on a farm. All of our animal rescue work is entirely funded through donations.

The Emergency Animal Protection Services (EAPS) team logged **1,212 investigations** last year and laid 44 charges of animal abuse and cruelty under the Criminal Code of Canada or the OSPCA Act.

The number of emergency calls we received was down slightly this year, but we saw a 13% jump in the number of cruelty investigations and staggering 200% increase in the number of charges laid, thanks in part to the new provincial legislation.

Although legally mandated to enforce the animal cruelty provisions of the Criminal Code of Canada and the Ontario SPCA Act, the OHS does not receive any government funding, or funding from any animal welfare group, to perform this essential work.

Growth in animal cruelty investigation

April 1 2007 – March 31 2008	899
April 1 2008 – March 31 2009	1070
April 1 2009 – March 31 2010	1212

Connecting people and animals

The OHS is a leader in animal welfare in our community in a variety of ways, from teaching children about responsible pet ownership, to promoting the human—animal bond and recognizing the beneficial role animals play in people's lives.

- Number of **Humane Education** school presentations last year: 152, reaching over 4,180 children
- Number of **Brightening Lives Animal Visits**: 529 (to 67 long-term care facilities, hospitals and women's and homeless shelters)



Each year, OHS volunteers and staff visit area schools to deliver presentations to kids of all ages about compassion and respect for animals. The visits usually include a canine companion, who comes to the classroom to receive lots of pets and kisses from the kids.



Volunteer contribution



The OHS could not exist without the support of the community. The OHS is able to help animals find new homes, be reunited with their owners, or receive a second chance, thanks to the continued commitment of its dedicated volunteers.

- Number of OHS volunteers: 498
- Number of foster volunteers: 204
- Number of animals fostered last year: 1,547
- **Total number of volunteer hours worked: 29,527**

Volunteers help us in innumerable ways, including comforting animals who are recovering from surgery. The practice allows animals coming out of anesthetic to be monitored to prevent any complications. Plus, the volunteer presence ensures the animals are greeted by warm and loving faces when they wake up.

Working together



The OHS relies heavily on the support of individual donors. Over 18,880 supporters like you gave gifts to the Ottawa Humane Society last year, totalling \$2,398,422.

The community continues to respond in extraordinary ways to our fundraising events for the animals. Our 2009 Wiggle Waggle Walkathon raised an incredible \$202,000, while our springtime FurBall raised \$175,000.



More than 2,500 walkers and animals participated in our 2009 Wiggle Waggle Walkathon for the animals!



Sky is a two-year-old husky mix who came to the OHS after his owners couldn't afford to treat his broken leg. Unfortunately, Sky's leg couldn't be saved, so it was amputated in the OHS clinic. Sky was up walking around in no time after her surgery, and following several weeks of recovery in a foster home, Sky was adopted. Sky's new family reports that he's thriving in his new environment, and enjoys running alongside the horses during family trail rides.



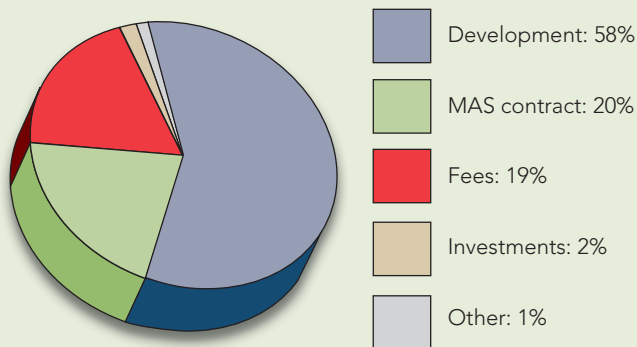
Minister John Baird and Mrs. Laureen Harper donated auction items to help raise funds for the animals at our 2010 FurBall.



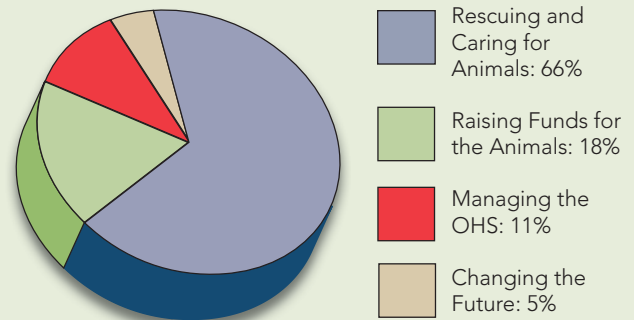
Financial report



Operational revenue sources



Operational expense areas



The **OHS Auxiliary** continues to be a tremendous financial supporter of the animals, raising more than \$15,000 last year from bazaars, auctions, garage sales and gardening seminars.

Building a brighter future



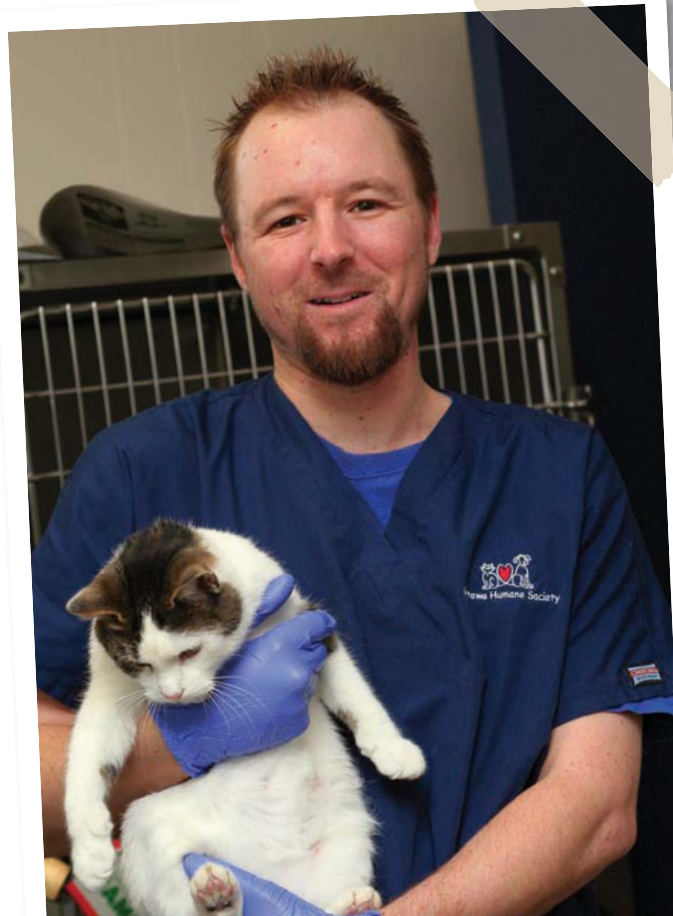
Our goal is always to provide for the animals in our care and to create a brighter future for all of Ottawa's animals. Over the past year, our dream of building a new home for Ottawa's animals became much closer to reality. To date, more than 3,080 donors have helped raise 75% of our target in our Breaking Ground campaign. To find out how you can help us build a new home for the animals, visit www.breakingground.ca.



The ground has been broken at the site of the new home of the Ottawa Humane Society. The 40,000 square foot facility will provide a brighter future for animals by 2011. We need you to reach our goal. Visit www.breakingground.ca to help.

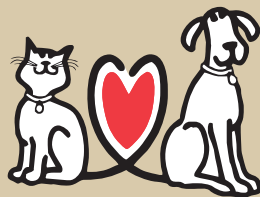
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Community Foundation of Ottawa	Platinum	Colliers International	Bronze
IAMS (Proctor & Gamble)	Platinum	Embassy of the Hellenic Republic	Bronze
Ottawa Citizen	Platinum	EMC	Bronze
United Way of Ottawa Donors	Platinum	Emond Harnden LLP	Bronze
York Street Spa	Platinum	Event Design	Bronze
		Fairmont House Design	Bronze
		Glebe Pet Hospital	Bronze
"A"	Gold	Humane Wildlife Control	Bronze
93.9 BOB-FM	Gold	La Maison D'or	Bronze
Canadian North Airlines	Gold	MHPM Project Managers Inc.	Bronze
CTV Ottawa	Gold	National Gallery of Canada	Bronze
Deborah Davis and Segue to Jazz	Gold	Ottawa Veterinary Hospital	Bronze
KW Catering	Gold	Rogers Ottawa	Bronze
Pattison Outdoor Advertising	Gold	Royal Oak Pubs	Bronze
Sussex Capital Inc.	Gold	Saslove's Meat Market	Bronze
Telus	Gold	St. Laurent Centre	Bronze
WCPD Foundation	Gold	Star Motors	Bronze
		Vincor	Bronze
Bell Canada Charitable Giving Campaign	Silver		
Cornwall Camping Centre Inc.	Silver		
Critter Crafters	Silver		
Deloitte	Silver		
DS Plumbing	Silver		
Event Bots	Silver		
Jack Aaron and Company Ltd	Silver		
Knock on Wood Communications + Events	Silver		
Petsecure Pet Health Insurance	Silver		
Petsmart Charities of Canada Ltd.	Silver		
PineApp Canada	Silver		
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Agriculture and Agri-Food Canada	Bronze		
Alta Vista Animal Hospital	Bronze		
Beau's All Natural Brewing Co.	Bronze		
Bird Dog Design	Bronze		
Brazeau Sellers LLP	Bronze		
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Cedarview Animal Hospital	Bronze		
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