



KC PET PROJECT ♥

# 2020 IMPACT REPORT





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# OUR MISSION

Leading the way in creating a compassionate, safe community for pets and people through progressive, lifesaving programs and services, community resources, and educational opportunities.

# OUR PURPOSE

The purpose of KC Pet Project is to provide sheltering and animal services to the community of Kansas City, MO, by placing pets into homes with families, enhancing public safety through animal control services, being a resource to people and pets in our community, reuniting lost pets with their owners, establishing pet retention programs, providing humane education opportunities, and enriching the lives of pets and people in Kansas City to build up and support a more safe and humane Kansas City. We are reimagining the role of animal services in our community.





# A NOTE FROM OUR PRESIDENT

**Teresa Johnson, President/CEO & Chief  
Lifesaving Officer of KC Pet Project.**

Despite a year-long pandemic and stay-at-home orders, 2020 was an incredibly impactful year for KC Pet Project as we grew our team, expanded our role in the community by adding our Animal Services Division, and launched our Keep 'Em Together, KC program. It was our first full year at our new shelter, the KC Campus for Animal Care, and we were so grateful to be in our new home because it afforded us to continue all our programs and services – remaining open to the public even during the Covid-19 pandemic. We experienced overwhelming support for our foster and adoption programs, and we felt our community's help like we never had before.

While 2020 was filled with tremendous challenges and incalculable losses, it was also a year of great achievements, compassion, kindness, and the realization that we must all do better – for both pets and for people in need. Diversity, equity, and inclusion is top of mind for us in 2021 as we work to bring change to our industry and to our community. I appreciate everything that you do for our organization, our pets, and our community, and I'm so excited to see the impact we can make together across Kansas City in 2021.

## 2020-21 KC PET PROJECT BOARD OF DIRECTORS

**Lisa Epps**, Chair

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## EX-OFFICIO MEMBERS

**Kristi Wyatt**, Vice-Chair and Co-Founder,  
KCCAC Board of Directors

**Michelle Illig**, President, Friends of KC Pet Project

## 2020-21 KC PET PROJECT EXECUTIVE LEADERSHIP

**Teresa Johnson**, President/CEO

**Chad Ackerman**, Chief of Campus Operations

**Tori Fugate**, Chief Communications Officer

**Gail Longstaff**, Chief Administrative Officer

**Amanda Gatten**, Director of Community Programs

**Dr. Heather Kennedy**, Chief of Veterinary Medicine  
& Director of Feline Operations

**April Moore**, Chief of Animal Services


**Stephanie Sullens**, Chief Development Officer

**Tabitha Urban**, Director of Canine Operations

**Kimberly Washington**, Director of Human Resources



# 2020 REVIEW

  
**95.7%**  
Save Rate

  
**10,565**  
Animals cared for

  
**4.94 TONS**  
of food distributed  
to the community

**2,513**   
cats sent into foster

**1,891**   
dogs sent into foster

  
**234**  
heartworm injections given

**LAUNCHED OUR  
KEEP 'EM  
TOGETHER KC  
PROGRAM**

**7,784 ADOPTIONS**



**900** cats transferred in from  
other overcrowded shelters

**26,260**  
hours given by  
**1,520**  
volunteers



**5,603**  
wellness exams since June

**976** seriously injured  
animals treated



Launched our new  
Animal Services Division  
for Kansas City, MO

**88** pets vaccinated in our  
first community clinic

**407**  
specialty surgeries



**3,204 DOGS**



**4,180 CATS**



**364 OTHER**

**5,528**  
spay/neuter surgeries

**LAUNCHED OUR  
PET SUPPORT  
CALL CENTER**

**\$10,900**

provided in financial assistance for  
veterinary services to KCMO residents





# KC CAMPUS FOR ANIMAL CARE GRAND OPENING AND RIBBON CUTTING

On January 1, 2020, we opened the doors of our beautiful new home, the KC Campus for Animal Care, to a huge crowd and a long line of families waiting to come in to see the new campus. Moving all of the pets to the new campus from the old shelter on Raytown Road was a huge success thanks to help from community partners including Mayor Quinton Lucas, Brittany Matthews, Fox 4's Joe Lauria, Kansas City Police Department, and many volunteers who all drove pets to their new temporary home.

On January 24th, we welcomed Congressman Emanuel Cleaver, Mayor Pro-Tem Kevin McManus, members of the philanthropic community, and hundreds of community supporters, to the official ribbon cutting ceremony of the KC Campus for Animal Care. Broadway star, Shoshana Bean, performed at the ceremony.

## 2020-21 KC CAMPUS FOR ANIMAL CARE BOARD OF DIRECTORS

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|--|---------------------------------|
| <b>Roshann Parris</b> , Board Chair      | <b>Jan Kreamer</b>              |
| <b>Kristi Wyatt</b> , Vice-Chair         | <b>Gayle Krigel</b>             |
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| <b>Karen Daniel</b>                      | <b>Cortney Patterson Barton</b> |
| <b>Jeff Dobbs</b>                        | <b>Margi Hall Pence</b>         |
| <b>Jenny Erdman</b>                      | <b>Jami Pryor</b>               |
| <b>Terry Garberg</b>                     | <b>CiCi Rojas</b>               |
| <b>Anita Gorman</b>                      | <b>Donna Thomason</b>           |
| <b>Bonne Illig</b>                       | <b>Carolyn Watley</b>           |
| <b>Jake Jacobson</b>                     | <b>Joni Wickham</b>             |
| <b>Christine Kemper</b>                  | <b>Bridgette Williams</b>       |

### EX-OFFICIO MEMBERS

- Lisa Schultes**, Legal
- Teresa Loar**, KCMO City Councilwoman
- Terry Rynard**, KCMO Parks Director
- Teresa Johnson**, CEO/Executive Director
- Lisa Epps**, KC Pet Project Board Chair





# KC CAMPUS FOR ANIMAL CARE

“ Since the beginning of COVID-19, KC Pet Project has stepped up to continue to ensure the health, safety, and placement of thousands of animals in our community seeking loving homes,” said Kansas City Mayor Quinton Lucas. “Over the past year, KCPP has also introduced hundreds of Kansas City families to its foster and adoption programs—helping keep folks company during a year of separation—and through their ‘Keep Em Together’ initiative, KCPP has importantly provided financial support to families who otherwise would’ve had to give their pets up. I thank KCPP for its work in our community, on behalf of our people and our pets.

- Mayor Quinton Lucas

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## FEATURES OF THE BUILDING

With the help of the private sector, along with tax-payer funds from the GO Bond initiative, Kansas City now has a shelter that it can be proud of!



Nearly four times larger than the previous shelter.



Proper HVAC to decrease disease/odor and acoustical designs to decrease noise in animal holding areas



Separate entrances for Adoptions and Admissions/Vet Clinic.



A 600 square-foot retail store and gift shop.



Natural light exposure in almost all animal areas.



Music in all animal holding areas.



Administrative offices throughout the campus, an area for volunteers, break areas for staff.



Five laundry machines: two for dogs, one for cats, one for clinic, and one for the parvo ward.



Focused effort on “fear-free” housing with separation of species throughout the facility.



Indoor meet n’ greet rooms and play rooms for dogs and cats.



The Roasterie at KCCAC coffee shop with exterior entrance to service all visitors to the campus.



Outdoor enclosed “catio” spaces for our kitties to get fresh air.

### 8,000 SQUARE FOOT STATE-OF-THE-ART VETERINARY CLINIC

Includes a large surgery suite, pre/post operation holding rooms for both shelter and public animals, dental x-ray and surgical suite for all dental surgeries, diagnostic laboratory equipment, a hospital/ isolation wing for sick and injured pets, a small play yard for these pets so they can go outside, separate exam rooms for dogs and cats, and a beautiful lobby space for appointments.



### OUTDOOR PLAY YARDS

Outdoor play yards for our dogs featuring more than 14,000 square feet of turf for adopter interactions, volunteer engagement, and daily canine playgroups.



### COMMUNITY EDUCATION PAVILION

A Community Education Pavilion, with separate exterior entrance, for classes with the public, birthday parties, meetings, and other events. Rental opportunities of our education pavilion are available.





# OUR COMMITMENT TO DIVERSITY, EQUITY, AND INCLUSION

KC Pet Project is committed to being a diverse, inclusive, and equitable workplace where all employees and volunteers, whatever their gender, race, ethnicity, national origin, age, sexual orientation or identity, education, or disability, feels valued and respected. We at KC Pet Project are committed to a nondiscriminatory approach and provide equal opportunity for employment and advancement in all of our departments, programs, and locations. We respect and value diverse life experiences and cultures and ensure that all voices are valued and heard.

We are committed to modeling diversity and inclusion for the entire animal welfare community, and to maintaining an inclusive environment with equitable treatment for all.



In 2020, our team at KC Pet Project made the firm commitment to diversity, equity, and inclusion in our organization. We also made culture of our organization as a top priority and strive to create a culture of excellence through personal growth, accountability, and professionalism through effective communication, teamwork, diversity, inclusion, and respect.

Our strategy of diversity and inclusion allows our organization to reflect the growing diversity of our community, which is beyond race and gender. Our initiatives include:



Formed the KC Pet Project Workplace Culture Committee. Made up of KC Pet Project team members from different departments, the purpose of this committee is to foster a supportive & familial work environment wherein everyone feels safe, respected, and valued. Their goal is to be able to ensure that everyone, be it human or furry friend, feels like family.



Our executive and management level teams participated in several DEI workshops throughout the year, including a training session with Sophic Solutions.



KC Pet Project no longer requires new employees to have a college degree.



Implemented Paycor Recruiting which is where applicants can now see job postings in both English and Spanish. Every job that is posted through Paycor is also automatically promoted on Indeed, Glassdoor, LinkedIn, and ZipRecruiter.



A focus on access and engagement for the Spanish-speaking community through the addition of both Spanish and English language options on our website, launching a Spanish-only queue to our Pet Helpline, translating many of our forms and handouts to Spanish, honoring the importance of representation by hiring bilingual Spanish and English-speaking employees and valuing their additional skill sets by paying them a higher hourly wage.



Partnered with the Full Employment Council on hiring initiatives.



Added our Commitment to Diversity, Equity, and Inclusion Statement on our Careers page as well as our Workplace Culture Statement.



Identified and reduced barriers for community members to gain access to resources and services at KC Pet Project through completed audits on all forms and surveys for adopters, customers, fosters, and volunteers, and removing questions and criteria that could prevent people from adopting, utilizing our services, or getting involved in our programs due to unfair bias of a person's housing and financial resources.



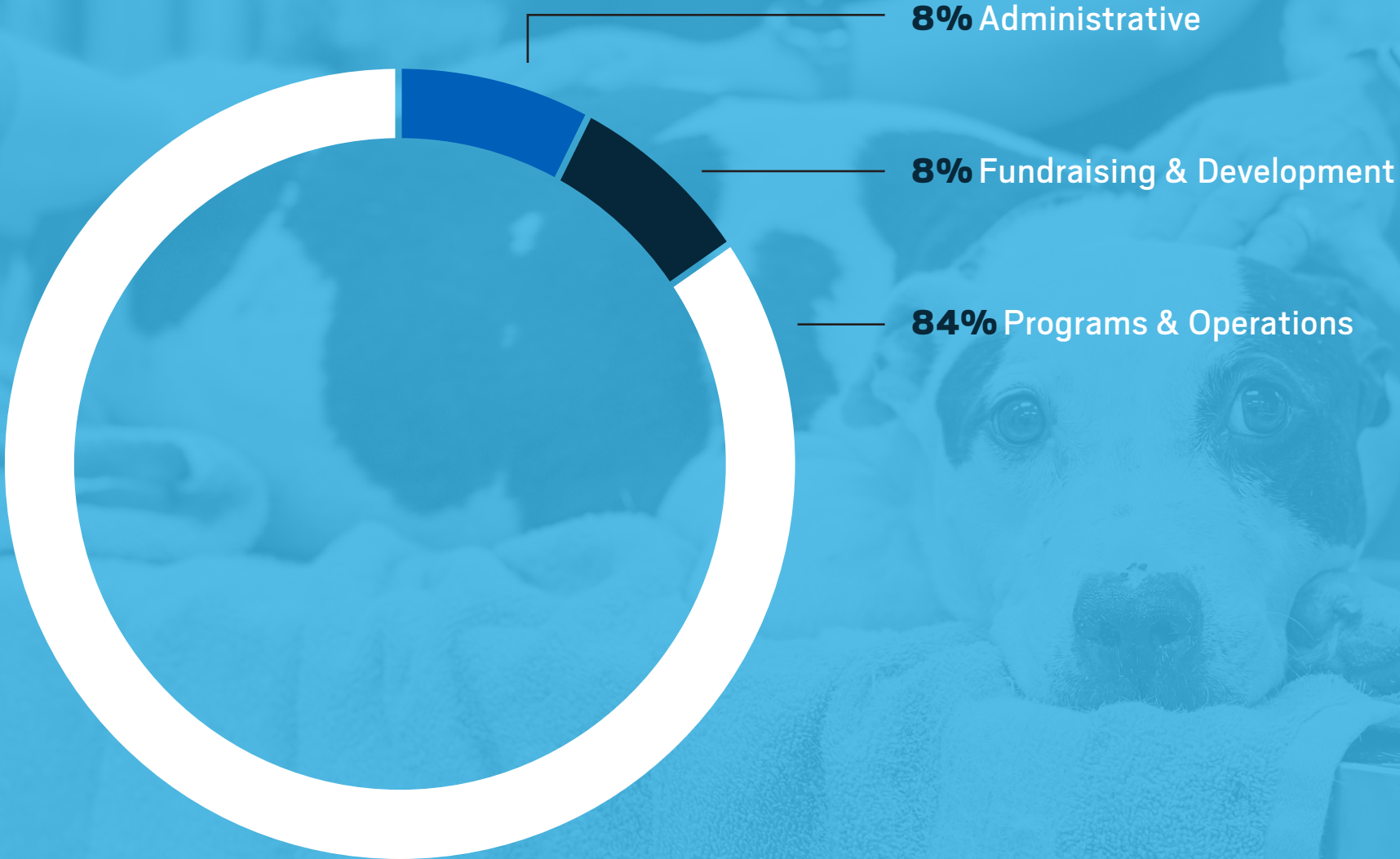
Held Career Fairs at the Campus and attended community hiring events to increase the awareness of our career opportunities at KC Pet Project.



Increased wages of all positions at KC Pet Project to ensure all team members receive fair compensation, recruit top talent, and retain current employees.



# 2020 FINANCIAL INFORMATION



Financial information for animal shelter contract and expenses/revenue only. Does not include Animal Services contract which started in late 2020.

## REVENUE

City Contract	\$2,509,589
Marketing & Development	\$2,118,134
Shelter Operations	\$393,805
Adoptions	\$605,229
Program	\$40,630
Other	\$89,164
Total Revenue	\$5,756,551

## EXPENSES

Administrative	\$439,262
Fundraising & Development	\$446,704
Shelter Operations	\$2,155,665
Adoptions Programs	\$519,991
Veterinary Programs	\$1,394,017
Other Lifesaving Programs	\$365,137
Total Expenses	\$5,320,776







# AWARDS AND ACHIEVEMENTS

## Nonprofit Connect Philly Awards

**Award of Distinction**  
KC Pet Project Website

**Gold Award for Website**  
KC Pet Project Website

**Silver Award for Media Campaign**  
Derrick Nnadi Super Bowl Campaign

**Silver Award for Social Media Campaign**  
Derrick Nnadi Super Bowl Campaign

**Silver Award for Short Video**  
Moving Day to the KC Campus for Animal Care

## The Pitch Best of Kansas City

**Best Place to Adopt a Pet**  
**Best Local Charity**

## Kansas City Magazine Best of KC Awards

**Best Animal Nonprofit (Reader's Choice Awards)**

## Community Impact Award

Capstone Real Estate Awards - Kansas City Business Journal





# PERSEVERING DURING A PANDEMIC

Despite a pandemic, stay-at-home orders, our Petco Adoption Center shut-down, and most Petco store cat habitats closing for several months, we still took in 10,565 animals this year, which was nearly the exact same number of total pets that arrived at our shelter in 2019. This included 5,234 dogs, 4,848 cats, and 483 other animals.

We adopted out 7,748 pets in 2020, which was only a very slight decrease in the number adopted out in 2019. Cat adoptions were up 10.5% over last year – with 4,180 cats and kittens getting adopted. This is the highest number of cat adoptions in our organization’s history! Following re-openings, we saw record-breaking adoption numbers from Whiskers Cat Café and at our Petco Cat Habitats in 2020 as families flocked to our adoption centers, Petco stores, and to Whiskers Cat Café to adopt cats.

We saw an 30% increase in the number of cats we were able to transfer in from other overcrowded shelters across our region (with 888 cats transferred in). This was the largest number of cats transferred into our organization in our history, providing lifesaving space in other shelters and helping cats find homes more quickly than ever. Length of stay for both cats and dogs is the lowest number of days it has been in years.

We took in 5,234 dogs and adopted out 3,204 dogs in 2020. This was the second highest number of dogs adopted in our organization’s history. Additionally, nearly 1,500 dogs were returned to their homes or transferred to other shelters or animal organizations. Families looking for dogs to adopt surpassed the number we had available in our system, and for the first time in our organization’s history, we transferred in 154 dogs from other overcrowded shelters in 2020 to help more dogs find homes.

We sent 4,404 dogs and cats out of the shelter into foster homes in 2020 – a new record number for foster placements!

We built out a new virtual adoptions program during the pandemic so people could still adopt a new pet and not have to come to the shelter.

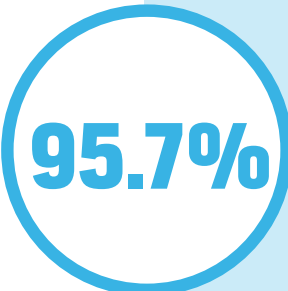
We achieved an amazing 95.7% Live Release Rate for the year (95.0% dogs, 96.4% cats). This is the highest percentage of lives saved in our organization’s history! The number of dogs and cats euthanized for illness, injury or behavior was the second lowest in our organization’s history.



30% increase in the number of cats that were able to transfer in from other overcrowded shelters across the region



4,404 dogs and cats were cared for in foster homes – the highest in our organization’s history!



A 95.7% Live Release Rate was achieved for the year.







## A WINNING SEASON FOR 109 DOGS

Following the Kansas City Chiefs win in the Super Bowl, #91 Derrick Nnadi became a media sensation when he offered to pay the adoption fees for 109 dogs available for adoption at KC Pet Project. The adoption event was so successful, we processed 237 adoptions in the seven days following the Super Bowl, including every dog at our Petco Adoption Center and nearly every dog at Zona Rosa. The media and social media reach on this story was huge – 1.4 Billion people – and it was shared on ABC World News, in People Magazine, on hundreds of local news stations, and by many celebrities, including Jennifer Aniston, Ellen, Kristen Bell, and others.

Derrick generously sponsored a dog's adoption fee following every Chiefs victory during the 2019-20 season, and following the Super Bowl victory and helping more than 100 dogs find new homes, he donated more than \$18,000 to the shelter.

## 270 SMALL ANIMALS ENTER THE SHELTER

The week following the Derrick Nnadi event, we assisted KCMO Animal Control with a hoarding case, finding 270 small animals inside a home, including 212 pet rats. Our team moved quickly to get all the small pets ready to find new homes, and a little more than one week later, all small animals were adopted or in foster homes. This story made local and national headlines and brought about a lot of awareness of adopting small animals – and especially pet rats.







## KEEP 'EM TOGETHER, KC

Keep 'Em Together, KC is a new initiative that focuses on building community partnerships and expanding services to help address the systemic roots of resource inequity in Kansas City. Our team partners with our community and pet owners to help provide several resources to support a whole family model to increase pet retention and deter unnecessary pet surrender. Our goal is to help pet owners resolve the problems they are experiencing so they can keep their pet.

## HELPING KEEP PEOPLE AND PETS TOGETHER

We launched our Keep 'Em Together, KC (KETKC) on May 5, 2020, so we recently celebrated the 1 Year Anniversary of our progressive program. KETKC has been instrumental in our commitment to honoring the human-animal bond. We implemented several programs to increase the community's access to veterinary care and pet care services including subsidized community pet vaccine and pet ID clinics, a Pet Resource Request Program to assist with basic pet supplies, a Pet Care Assistance Program to offer financial assistance to pet owner's experiencing financial hardship, and an emergency boarding program to support pet owners experience housing insecurity. Below are just a few of our program highlights for 2020.



Our Pet Resource Assistance Program provided over **39,554.20 pounds** of pet food and treats to our community and distributed **4,905** miscellaneous pet care supplies and over **1,000 doses** of flea medication.



Our Pet Care Assistance Program provided **\$26,608.80** in financial assistance to **143 pets** and **106 families**.



Home Away from Home provided temporary boarding for **35 families** and **51 pets** in crisis with a **92%** reunification rate.

## YOUR SUPPORT

It is through your support of the program that we have been able to keep families together during the past year! Please consider a donation to our Keep 'Em Together Program, so we can continue to honor the human-animal bond in Kansas City, MO. You can even sign up to be a monthly donor of this program!

[Donate.KCPetProject.org/TogetherKC](https://www.donate.kcpetproject.org/TogetherKC)

### THANK YOU TO OUR FOUNDING MEMBERS

Katie Barnett	Audrey Masoner
Sarah & Jon Baum	Brad Miller
Susan Bond	Lori Ann Miller
Meagan Brammell	Charlie & Kay Newell
Wendy & Grant Burcham	Gary O'Bannon
Peggy Chase	Adrienne Olson
Christina Crumpecker	Stan Parks
Emily Daly	Roshann Parris
Joel Daly	Jennifer Peters
Dina Davis	Leslie Pfriem & John Palone
Jenny & Warren Erdman	Roxanne Phillips
Frazier Family	Karen Poole
Larry & Vicky Freese	Camille Pukay
Robin & Harold Fugate	Megan Ryken
Terry Garberg	Linda Schroeder
Sharon Gartin	Dr. Sadie Scott
Amanda Gatten	Cathy & Joel Shevlin
Janice Girando	Barbara Spangler
Heather Kennedy	Susan Surber
Kimbrell / Handshy Family	Heather Tatge
Jodde Olsen Lanning	Donna Thomason
League at AT&T	Margaret Tompkins
Vicki L. Logsdon	Rachel Whipple
Gail Longstaff	





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*With KC Pet Project taking on the responsibilities for all animal control operations, the residents of Kansas City will see firsthand what today's animal control can do to increase public safety and the well-being of animals in the community. KC Pet Project will bring about a much-needed community-based model which solves problems using long-term solutions to animal related issues in the city.”*

**- Scott Giacoppo, Director of National Shelter Support  
Best Friends Animal Society**

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For three months prior to December 1st, KC Pet Project was in a transition period with the City of Kansas City, MO, to ensure that there was no lapse in services. KC Pet Project spent this transition time hiring our new Chief of Animal Services, managers, officers, and dispatch specialists. KC Pet Project and the City of Kansas City, MO held weekly meetings to discuss the details of the transition. KC Pet Project also worked with a group of national and local experts in the field, including members of the Municipal and Shelter Support team at Best Friends Animal Society, who are experts in the animal control field, and with members of the National Animal Care and Control Association.

This new department for our organization is led by April Moore, Chief of Animal Services for KC Pet Project. April comes to Kansas City from Texas, where she served as the Animal Services Supervisor in Austin, which is the largest no-kill community in the United States, for more than twelve years. Austin, Texas receives more than 31,000 calls for service annually, and her team covered a 900 square mile jurisdiction for more than 1.2 million residents.

KC Pet Project selected and trained 16 new Animal Services Officers from across the Kansas City metro to build this new division for KC Pet Project. Each of our dedicated officers go through more than 50 hours of formal classroom education, including animal control field services training, animal ordinances, legal and courtroom training, ethics and investigations, as well as conflict resolution and de-escalation training at the Kansas City, MO Police Academy. They have also undergone more than 40 hours of hands-on training within KC Pet Project departments on safe animal handling, pet support resources, customer service training, zoonotic diseases, and more. We also hired a team of dispatch specialists to handle all calls for service. The team works at the KC Campus for Animal Care.

KC Pet Project officially launched our Animal Services Division on December 1, 2020, and our team has been handling an average of 1,200-1,400 calls for service each month.



*“Our team of Animal Services Officers demonstrate a strong commitment to public service, the enhancement of animal welfare, and building a safe, humane community through engagement-focused, community-centered animal protection programming. Our team is excited to empower and connect with our community to strengthen relationships and build trust.” -April Moore, Chief of Animal Services*





# HUMAN ANIMAL SUPPORT SERVICES

In early 2020, KC Pet Project proudly became one of the first 18 pilot cities in the country to help create and participate in a new animal welfare organizational model called Human Animal Support Services (HASS) - implementing a new range of services for pets and people, helping keep more animals in their homes and communities, and reducing the number of pets entering the shelter system through programs and resources.

The ideas for HASS were born during the early days of COVID-19, as the pandemic resulted in record numbers of pets being housed in communities across the country through foster care. It has now become an international coalition of animal services leaders (including KCPP) and by the end of 2020, more than 30 organizations were working together on a weekly basis to transform the traditional sheltering system to serve the entire community in supporting the human-animal bond. This is the most progressive, transformative work that has been done in the field of animal sheltering in decades.

*All logos and branding elements of Human Animal Support Services (HASS) were designed by Katie Grissum at KC Pet Project.*

## THE HASS ELEMENTS

### Case Management

Animal services personnel serve as trained case managers, helping people keep their pets; providing resources and support to struggling pet owners; and assisting owners who need to rehome their pets, and helping people find missing or lost pets.

### Community Partnerships

Human social services agencies, veterinary practices, rescue groups and other community partners work closely with the animal services organization, treating people and animals as a family unit.

### Field Service & Public Safety

Animal control and field services protect public health and safety, enforce animal cruelty and neglect laws, and aim to address the root causes of animal problems. They provide support, information, access to care and resources to the community.

### Intake-to-Placement

Pets physically entering the shelter have outcome pathways identified before or at the time of intake, so in-shelter length of stay is drastically reduced

### Lost Pet Reunification

The organization operates a comprehensive lost pet reunification service to successfully get most roaming pets home without them having to enter the shelter system.

### Volunteer Integration

Volunteers are engaged in every area of operations and play a key role in implementation and creation of HASS.

### Pet Support Services

Pet owners can access pet support services, including housing, medical and behavioral support, as well as food and supplies, to help keep the human-animal family together.

### Remote Customer Service

Customers can reach the organization quickly and easily using remote technologies like text, phone and web chats.

### Role of the Shelter

The core functions of the physical shelter are to provide emergency medical care and short term housing for pets with urgent needs and to ensure public safety and public health priorities are met.

### Supported Self-Rehoming

Pet owners who can no longer keep their pets are given the tools to safely and quickly rehome their own pets with ongoing support from shelter staff or volunteers.

### The Foster-Centric Model

The majority of pets who enter the shelter system are placed in foster homes within hours or days of arrival and foster pets are adopted directly from their foster homes.

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*As animal welfare has been evolving to a model focused on the human-animal bond, it has been such an honor to have KC Pet Project (KCPP) as a Human Animal Support Services Pilot Shelter. KCPP has been a national leader not only in lifesaving and implementing innovative programs to help keep pets with their families. Our ultimate goal of the HASS Project is to have more organizations around the country model through values and programs around the work happening at KCPP.*

**-Kristen Hassen, Director,  
American Pets Alive! &  
Human Animal Support Services**

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# YOUR SUPPORT

Your generous support helped raise \$2,118,134 from 48 states, the District of Columbia, Canada and Germany!

Your impact helped homeless animals stay fed, vaccinated, microchipped, provided medical treatment for illnesses and traumas, find new families, reunited with their families, and kept pet families together in Kansas City, Missouri.

Thank you to everyone who contributed through traditional methods as well as planned gifts, workplace giving, gifts of stock or bonds, vehicle donations, matching gifts, love tags, kennels sponsorships, Giving Tuesday, KC Pet Project Day, grants, and sponsorships!

## QUOTES FROM OUR DONORS

"I give to KCPP because I see the great things that they do with my money. I was first drawn to Pet Project because of their FeLV+ cat adoption program! They are doing so much to help the residents of KCMO - the human ones and the ones with paws! I share their passion for life saving and appreciate how they are helping and networking with shelters and rescues all over the country to save even more animals!"

- Margaret Tompkins

"KC Pet Project saves lives and reunites families and makes perfect love matches every day. That is why we gladly support this remarkable organization."

- Board Members - Cathy & Stevel Doyal



## Friends of KC PET PROJECT

Friends of KC Pet Project is a group of caring professionals creating connections to advocate and serve as ambassadors for the organization. They empower one another through members-only events, networking happy hours, unique volunteer opportunities, and fundraising efforts.

The passionate members of Friends of KC Pet Project support the shelter's lifesaving efforts through community outreach. The passionate members of Friends of KC Pet Project support these efforts through community outreach, exclusive events, and collective camaraderie.

### 2020 FRIENDS OF KC PET PROJECT BOARD

**Michelle Illig**, President

**Lauren Caldwell**, Vice-President

**Sarah McDonald**, Treasure

**Jayme Quisenberry**, Secretary

**Beth Shelly**, Director

**Ashleigh McDonald**, Director

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*We know we can't adopt all of the homeless pets. Financially supporting KC Pet Project is the next best thing we can do to care for the homeless animals of Kansas City.*

- Sarah & Matt McDonald

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# LOYAL COMPANIONS

Loyal Companions of KC Pet Project support our lifesaving work by making a monthly gift which is a critical piece to helping create a compassionate community for people and pets in Kansas City, Missouri.

Because of your support, over 10,000 homeless and often injured pets that come to KC Pet Project each year receive care, treatment, and find new families.

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*Kansas City Pet Project does great things for animals and the community and I love being a part of that, helping in whatever way I can!*  
- **Debbie Brown, Development Volunteer**

*I volunteer (and foster) because helping animals and seeing them get better or giving them the comfort, they need is something that really brings me joy. Not everybody can say they have truly done anything to help someone or something, but by helping the animals I am able to see them flourish which in turn makes me a much happier person.*

**Kara Standley, 17, Volunteer & Foster**

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## OUR 2020 LOYAL COMPANIONS

Aaron Abdo  
Yael Abouhalkah  
Disha Agarwal  
Jessica Agudelo  
Tammie Ahrens  
Bob Alexander  
Lisa Allen  
Stacy Allison  
Leslie Ammerman  
Stephanie Anderson  
Abby Anderson  
Shawn Anderson  
Kelli Anstine  
Robin Arnold  
Paul Babcock  
Jennifer Bae  
Carling Bahn  
Kelsie Bailes  
Jackie Baker  
Vicki Baker  
Hannah Baker  
Kimberlee Balas  
Drusilla Ball  
Kari Ballard Ziblut  
Denise Balukas  
Paula Bandt  
Justina Barnes  
Kelsey Bartolich  
David Barton  
Cortney Barton  
M. Baughman  
Sara Bauman  
Tamara Bazzle  
Corrina Beck  
Janine Bell  
Nicole Bellizzi  
James Bennett  
Melissa Bennett  
Nancy Benzinger  
Ron Berg  
Judy Beyer  
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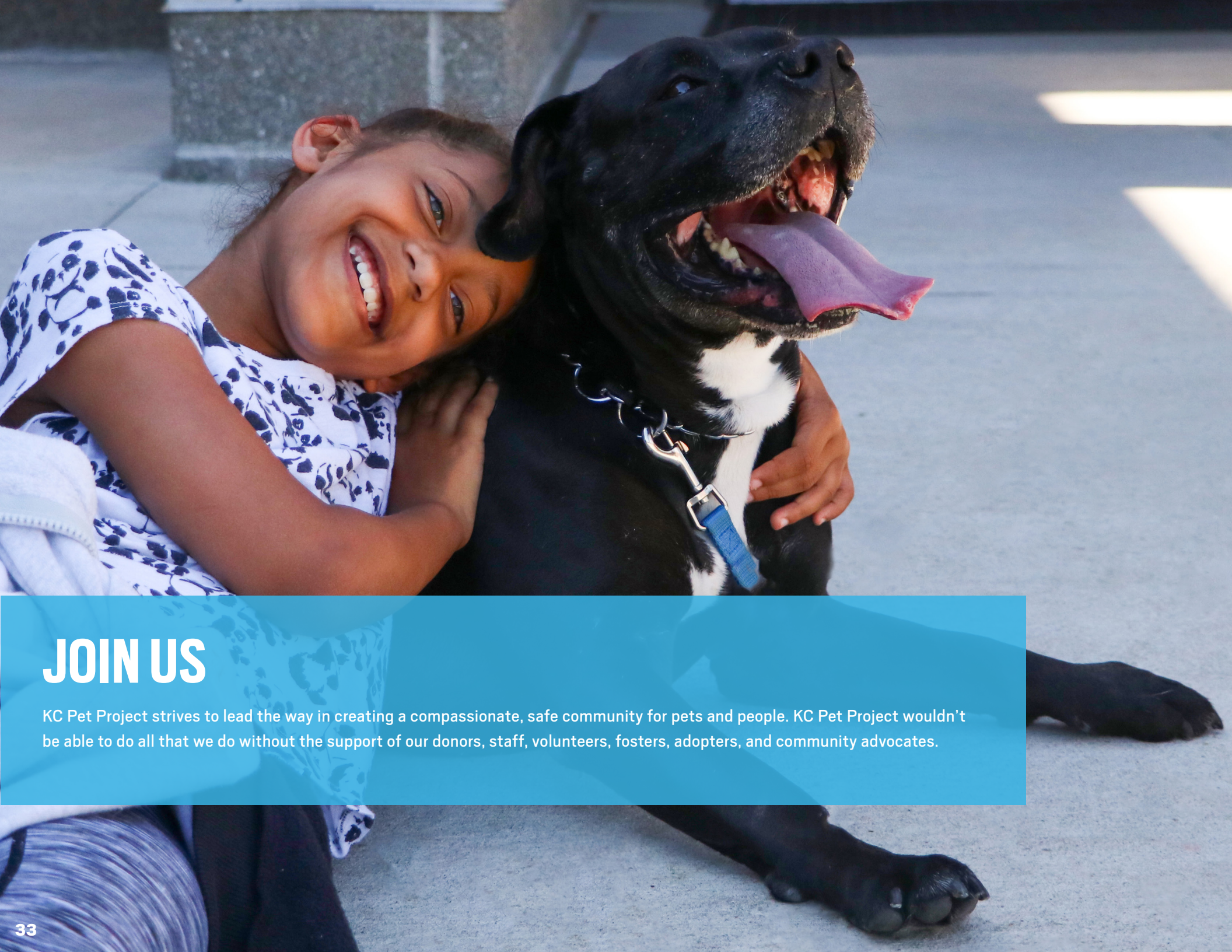
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Give a gift to support the 10,000+ animals KC Pet Project supports every year through veterinary care, medication, vaccinations, and food. Gift-in-Kind donations are necessary to how KC Pet Project achieves its mission, our wish list has our most up-to-date needs for taking care of more than 10,000 animals a year, and our monthly donors help sustain our care for the homeless animals in Kansas City, MO.

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Consider adopting a new family member at our Kansas City Campus for Animal Care, Zona Rosa, or Overland Park locations, Whiskers Cat Cafe or our 10 metro locations in Petco Stores that house kittens and cats looking for new homes.

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Do you want to have hands-on impact? Become a volunteer and help promote animal welfare, support our programs, and give shelter pets much-needed care, love, and attention.

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Not ready for a permanent pet? Become a foster and open your home to a homeless pet that is in the shelter. By providing a temporary home, even for just a small amount of time, you are a critical piece to help saves lives! Fostering opportunities are also available to house owned pets through our Home Away from Home program to help keep families together.

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# PARTY WITH US!

Party with us by attending an event: KC Pet Project hosts Hoops for Hounds, a March Madness themed basketball party in March and Caturday, a pub crawl through the Crossroads of Kansas City each year! There are also many local community-hosted events throughout the year, so keep an eye on our events calendar.

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