



2020 Annual Report

Forsyth Humane Society

Apollo, adopted November, 2019

Life Changing

It's hard to imagine life without your pet once you find them. Here at Forsyth Humane Society, you can be a life-changer, too. With our goal of increasing the save rate of all shelter cats and dogs in the county from 36% to 90% by 2023, FHS is committed to changing the future of animal welfare in our community. With our community's help, in 2020 FHS increased the save rate of shelter cats and dogs in Forsyth County to 75%.

Partner with us and change a life.

#SAVEFURSYTH



Our Mission:

To promote and provide for the humane treatment of homeless cats and dogs in Forsyth County, NC.

Our Goal:

In support of our mission, Forsyth Humane Society is committed to achieving a save rate of 90% for shelter cats and dogs in Forsyth County, NC by 2023.

Hizzie, adopted April 2020



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Dear Friends,

COVID came to our community just about the time I assumed responsibilities as Board President for the Forsyth Humane Society. What a year it has been. Since last March, we have lost too many friends and family, and as a result, have reflected on what we value most. Fortunately, technology has helped us discover new ways to connect. And, through it all, we have logged more time, perhaps than ever before, with our pets (certainly from their point of view).

That last sentence causes me to smile, and hopefully it will evoke a similar response as you read it. In an extended stretch of social distancing, our dogs and cats have been there for us! Our new pup, Nala, pictured above, hasn't always recognized us right away when we are masked up, but it doesn't take long for her to enthusiastically greet us once we shed our face covering. It's easy to be grateful for this unconditional love.

In the past year, I've come to a deeper understanding of what animal welfare in our County means to our four-legged friends. Here are several examples: I knew the importance of adopting out dogs and cats, but discovered an incredible network of people who foster animals if the shelter is full until a forever home can be found. I knew spaying and neutering was critical, but learned that FHS has its own surgery suite and partners with other agencies to make these population-controlling procedures available and affordable. I knew of our relationship with Forsyth County Animal Services, but now understand that this arrangement has helped us lift the save rate in our county from 36% to 75% in short order. To learn more about the great work being done, go to forsythhumane.org.

There is still ground to cover to get to our goal of a 90% save rate by 2023. Please consider joining us in this effort through volunteering, adopting, fostering, donating and/or being an ambassador of #SAVEFURSYTH. Thanks for all you do.

Warmest regards,

A handwritten signature in black ink that reads "Brad Zabel". The signature is fluid and cursive, with the first name "Brad" and last name "Zabel" clearly distinguishable.

Brad Zabel

2020– 2021 FHS Board President

2020 RESULTS

75%
SAVE RATE

4,670
ANIMALS CAME
THROUGH OUR DOORS

1,866
ANIMALS
ADOPTED

674
PETS
REUNITED

1,589
PETS SPAYED &
NEUTERED

3,738
FOSTER HEROS OPENED
THEIR HOMES TO AN
ANIMAL IN NEED

737
ANIMALS TRANSFERRED
TO PARTNER RESCUES

Tobi, adopted November 2020



Prazi, adopted December 2020

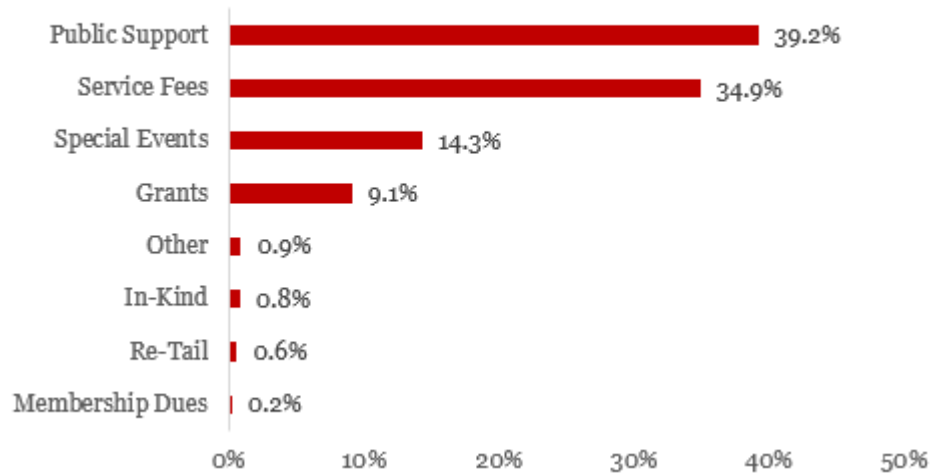


Justin, adopted November 2020

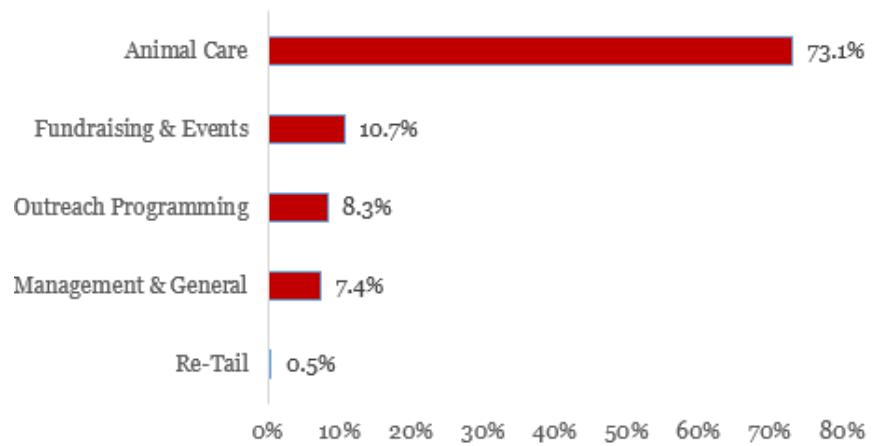


2020 RESULTS Continued

2020 FY Revenue Sources



2020 FY Expenses



Autumn, adopted December 2020



The Legacy Society honors those generous individuals who have included the Forsyth Humane Society in their estate planning. It is on their foundation of giving and commitment through gifts from their wills or trusts, retirement assets, life insurance, or charitable gift annuities that allow us to continue our work and ensure a lasting legacy of kindness and compassion.



Legacy Members

Leigh Ann Adams
Joan Allan
Cissie & John Anderson
Serenah Arnett
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Stacie & David Baker
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Clara Allen
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Pansy Crews
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Douglas Young
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Sofie Alexis Zuluaga



Maggie, Adopted November 2020



Jaguar, adopted November 2020

Dear FHS Family,

During anxious times, this community lifted us up with hope everyday in 2020 as we continued our mission during COVID-19. We consolidated operations into one shelter, restructured staffing for safety, and implemented COVID-19 protocols.

We asked all of our adopters and fosters, and those needing to surrender an animal, to make an appointment and we worked with you in the parking lot to operate curbside.

So many of you opened your hearts and your homes to adopt a shelter animal, and to provide temporary foster care for a homeless cat or dog.

Daily, as I walked into the shelter, I was overcome by the donation of supplies. Every day great gifts of dog and cat food, towels, kitty litter, and crates, showed up at our door.

Through it all, with your help, we made our mission work.

Thank you.

I hope to see you in person in the fall of 2021, with maybe a hug included.

With gratitude,

Sarah E. Williamson

Executive Director, Forsyth Humane Society



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