



Supporting Animal Welfare Through  
Humane Education And Advocacy



# 2024 Impact Report

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# About BFHS

The Benton Franklin Humane Society, established in 1966, is a beacon of hope for countless animals in need. As a private, non-profit 501(c)3 adoption center, it has remained steadfast in its mission to care for unwanted pets and educate the community on the importance of responsible and compassionate pet ownership. Over the decades, it has become a cornerstone in promoting animal welfare and has helped bring about positive changes in the way society views and treats animals.





# MEET THE DIRECTOR

Autumn White has been a vital part of the BFHS team since 2017, bringing with her over three decades of experience in animal welfare. Her unwavering dedication to improving the lives of pets within the community is evident in her efforts to provide education and economic resources that help keep animals in loving homes. Under Autumn's leadership, a passionate team has been cultivated, focusing on enhancing the health, happiness, and overall welfare of shelter pets. She has been instrumental in developing comprehensive behavior, volunteer, and foster programs, ensuring that animals in the care of BFHS receive the support and attention they need. Through her compassionate work, Autumn continues to make a significant impact on the lives of countless pets and their families.





# IN 2024 BFHS HELPED 895 PETS FIND THEIR FOREVER HOMES







# DOGS INCOMING & OUTGOING 2024

Each year hundreds of homeless pets are cared for at our campus. We work tirelessly to place our animals in loving and forever homes.

## Incoming

- 🐾 Owner Surrender: 239
- 🐾 Strays: 88
- 🐾 Born In Care: 9
- 🐾 Happily Ever After: 209

## Outgoing

- 🐾 Adopted: 462
- 🐾 Reclaimed: 23
- 🐾 Transferred: 12



I am visually impaired but full of love *Blinky*



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Photography

# CATS INCOMING AND OUTGOING 2024

~Saving one animal will not change the world, but for that one animal, the world will change forever.

## Incoming:

- 🐾 Owner Surrender: 243
- 🐾 Strays: 146
- 🐾 Born In Care: 0
- 🐾 Happily Ever After Transfers: 90

## Outgoing:

- 🐾 Adopted: 462
- 🐾 Reclaimed: 24
- 🐾 Transferred: 1



# Happily Ever After Transfer Program

8 Rescue Partnered With  
2 States: Washington and Oregon  
214 Pets Transferred in  
9 Pets Transferred Out

**Total Transferred: 223**





# Shelter Medicine

*In 2022 Dr. Mary Post, DVM joined our team.  
Having an onsite veterinarian ensures the pets  
at BFHS will receive high quality veterinary  
medical care.*



**In 2024: 3979 vet treatments were  
administered by our medical team.**

## **Spays and Neuters**

### **Feline**

**Spays: 258**

**Neuters: 205**

### **Canine**

**Spays: 297**

**Neuters: 258**







**Peanut** came to BFHS frozen and unresponsive after being out in below freezing temperatures. Peanut injuries were extensive, but made a slow, miraculous recovery and was able to be reunited with his owner after one month at BFHS.

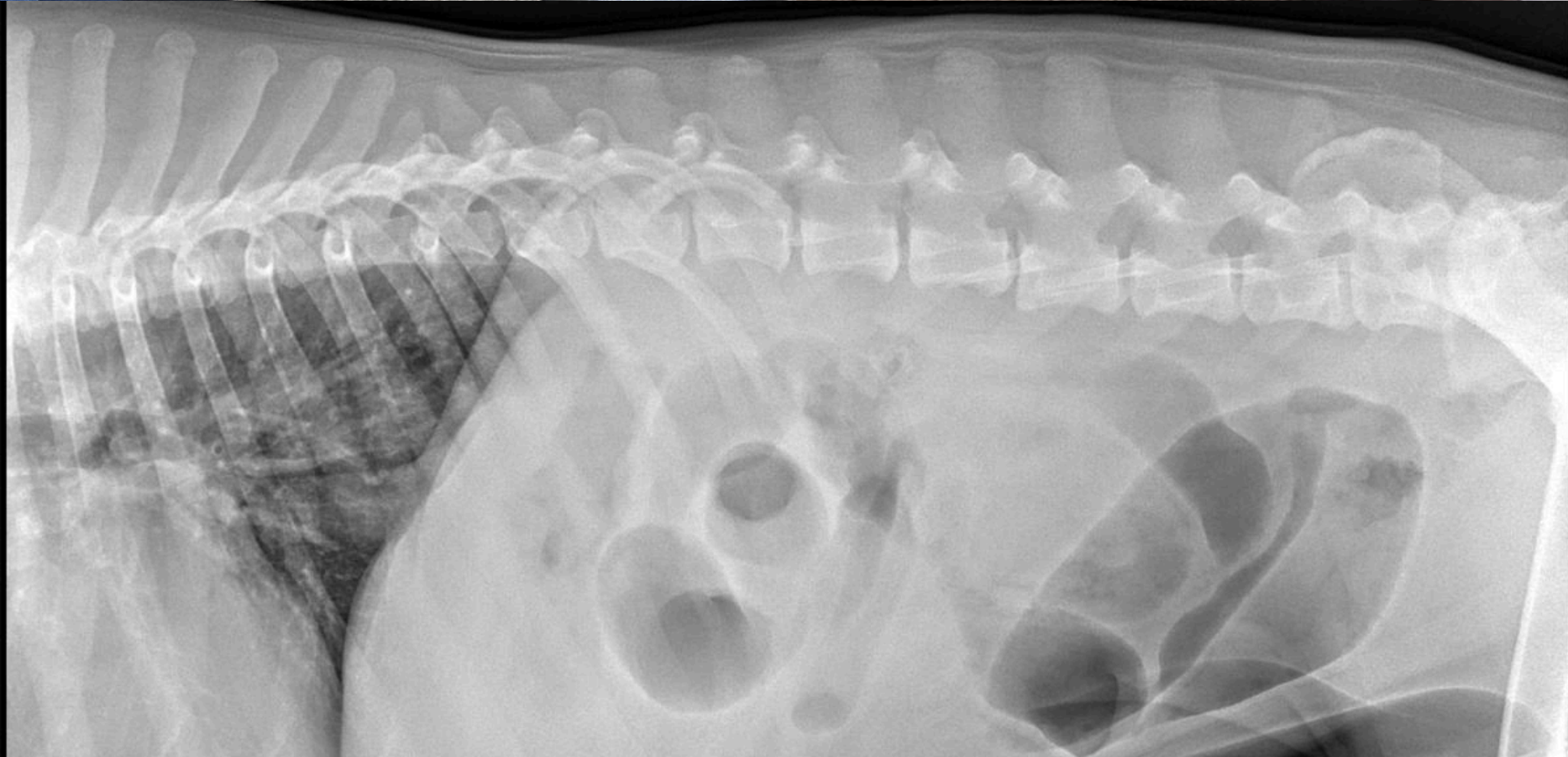




**Mamita** arrived at BFHS with a gunshot wound to her front left paw. Following an X-ray that revealed the severity of the injury, Dr. Post performed an amputation of her leg. She has since found a new home and has adapted remarkably well to her new three-legged lifestyle.







**Blu** came to us in need of life saving care for an intestinal blockage. Due to a previously discovered heart murmur, he needed special accommodations to perform his surgery. Thanks to Dr.Menks and her team, he made it through the surgery and a corn cob was discovered as the culprit for his blockage. Blu is now back home and able to enjoy his time romping with his four-legged siblings.





# BFHS TO THE RESCUE

On October 12th, 2024

BFHS assisted an overwhelmed caregiver by taking in 30 small terrier mixes. All of the dogs arrived under-socialized and in need of received the exams, grooming, and medical care. All 30 have been altered and have found their forever homes.







# Behavior Team

Our behavior team focus's on identifying and modifying undesired behaviors through building behavior plans and working closely with each animal to build confidence and increasing their adoption success.







# BFHS Community Food Bank

**Our goal is to help keep pets in homes, and sometimes that is as simple as helping offer pet food. Our food bank serve our community by providing basic necessities to pet owners in the time of need.**

**Pets served: 150  
Pounds of Food: 1500**



# Foster Program

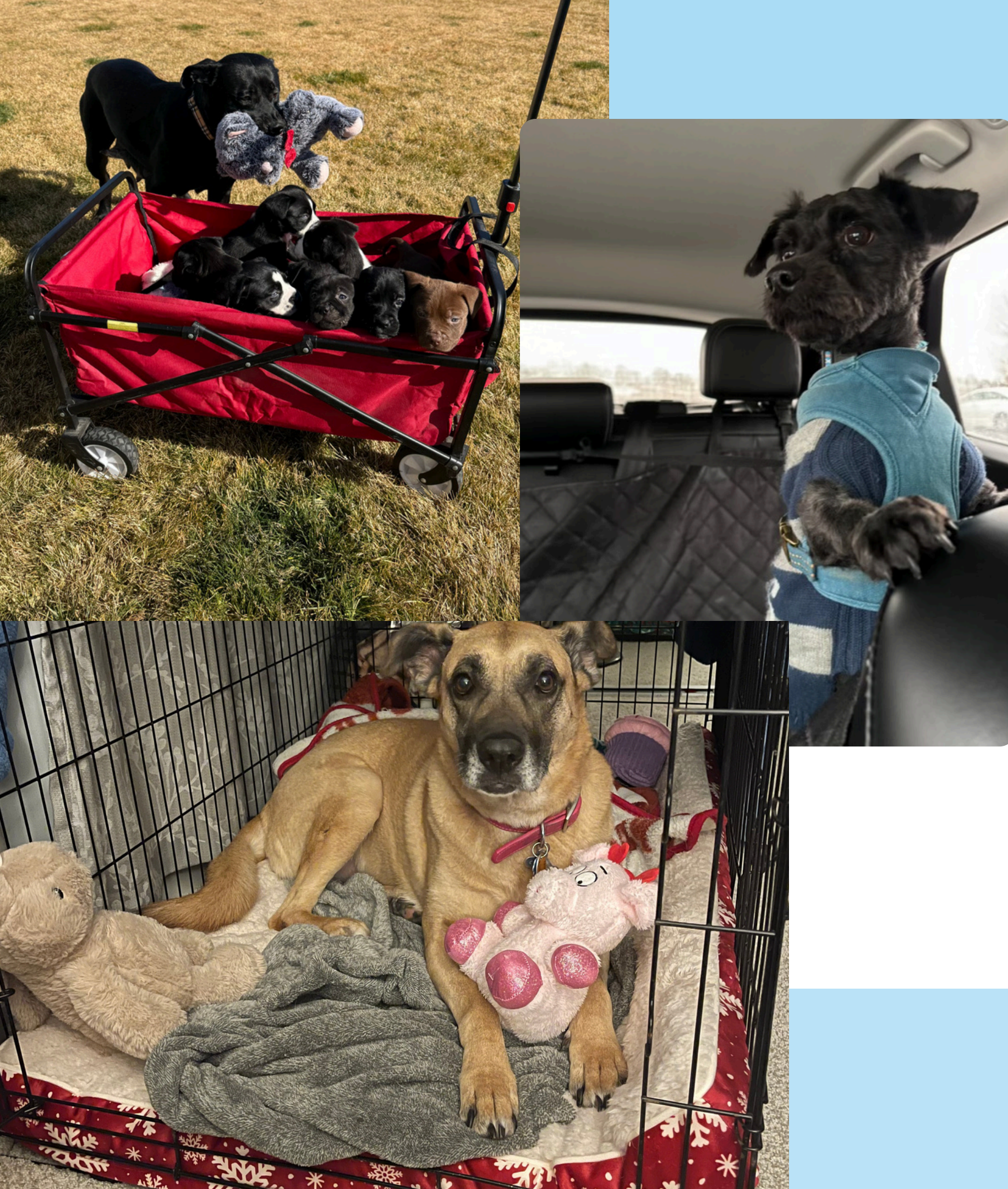
**Fostering is an amazing way to save lives and make an impact!**

**Not only do our fosters clear up shelter space, allowing us to help more homeless pets, they provide us with valuable insight.**

**Pets in foster are generally more socialized and have a more extensive history making it easier to adopt them! We are so grateful for to the families who have opened their hearts and homes!**

**Foster Families: 56**

**Animals fostered in 2024: 230**

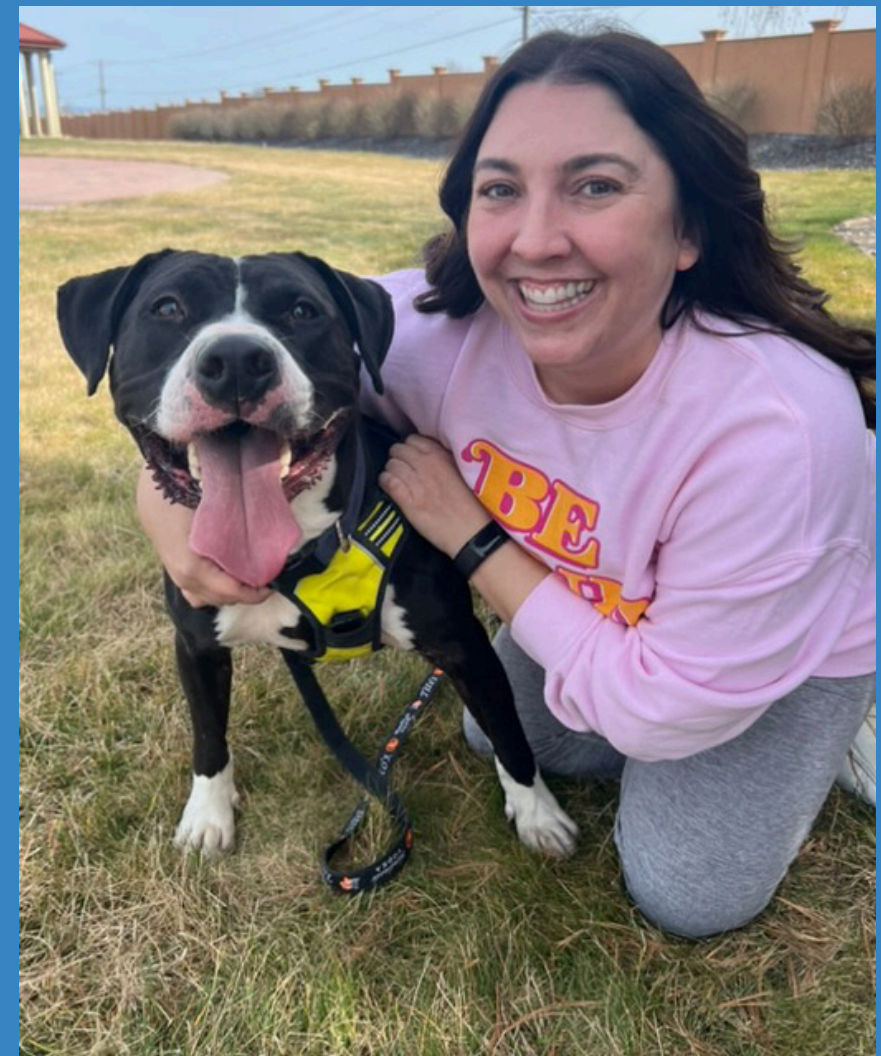






# Volunteering

Volunteers are an integral of the Benton Franklin Humane Society. From assisting with daily operations to organizing fundraising events, volunteers play an essential role in the organization's success. There are numerous opportunities for individuals to get involved, whether they prefer hands-on work with animals or behind-the-scenes support.



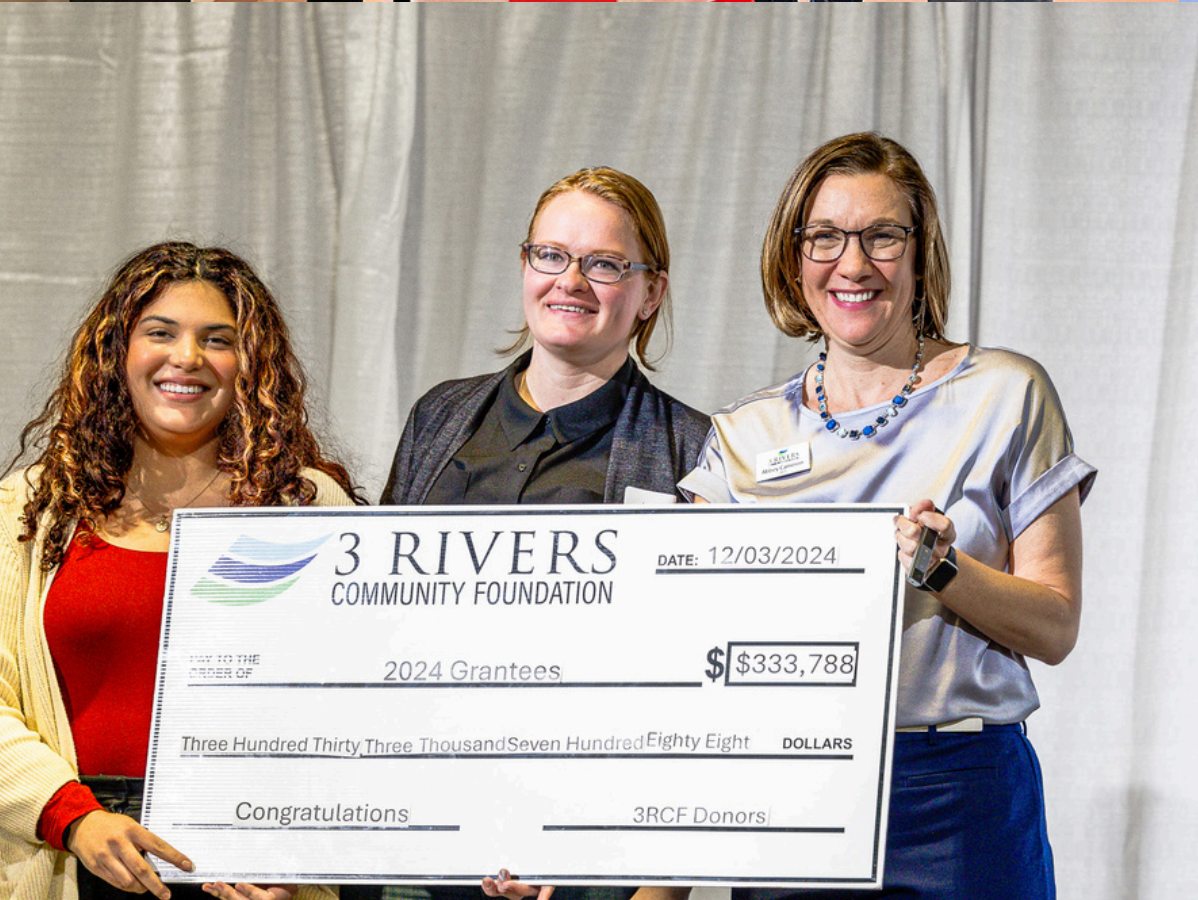


# Education and Community





# Thank You To Our Generous Community!







*Together,*  
we can all make an impact!

Talent Openness Guidance Enthusiasm Talent Honesty Empathy Respect





# Statistics



## Companion Animals Admitted

Born in shelter: **9**

Relinquished by owner: **482**

Transferred from other Agency: **214**

Stray animals: **235**

Returns: **23**

Total Intakes: **1316**

## Companion Animals Going Home

Felines Adopted: **433**

Canines Adopted: **462**

Returned to Owners: **25**

Returned to Habitat: **2**

Transferred out to Other Agency: **9**

Total Outgoing: **1321**

