

FY2022 Buncombe County Strategic Partnership Grant Report

Organization Name:	Asheville Humane Society	
Project Name:	People and Their Pets Thriving Together	
Reporting Quarter: (Check one)	<input type="checkbox"/>	Quarter 1 (July 1, 2021 - September 30, 2021)
	<input type="checkbox"/>	Quarter 2 (October 1, 2021 - December 31, 2021)
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	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	Quarter 4 (April 1, 2022 - June 30, 2022)

Narrative summary of grant related activities

Please provide brief responses that fit within the box provided

Overall project updates:	<p>Thanks to the generous funding provided by Buncombe Co., Asheville Humane Society's Community Solutions team were able to provide financial assistance for 28 Buncombe County pets in need of veterinary care. \$3,701.01 was expended this quarter. All vet expenses did not exceed \$150 per visit as we recently received a donation to assist with vet expenses that exceed \$150 per visit. The average cost this quarter was \$132.17. Funds were used primarily for exams, pain medication, antibiotics, diagnostics (x-rays, biopsys), and dental surgery. A few of the animals helped by funds from the Buncombe County Strategic Partnership grant include Keefee, a senior cat whose owner is also a senior who lives on a fixed income. Keefee's mom, Julia, had recently paid a large veterinary bill when he was diagnosed with urinary disease. A few months later Keefee had a severe ear infection and he needed help. We were able to pay for the treatment for the ear infection and connect Julia to local group, Asheville Cat Weirdos, to receive free prescription food for his urinary disease. Senior dog, Sissy, was experiencing severe pain from a dental infection and required urgent dental surgery, Lisa had maxed out Care Credit and had saved up \$500, but it still wasn't enough. She set up a Facebook page to ask friends for help and raised an additional \$200. She finally reached out through our Helpline and we were able to provide the additional assistance she needed. Our partners at Open Door Veterinary Clinic set up a payment plan for costs for follow-up care. Keefee and Sissy received the care they needed thanks to the BCSP grant.</p>
Activities related to increasing equity, diversity and inclusion:	<p>Our Community Solutions team hosts weekly supply drives where pet owners in need can receive a variety of supplies, like full-sized bags of pet food, collars and leashes, flea preventative, and other safety net services. Our Outreach staff also provide resources by going directly to pet owners in need. The team holds regular vaccine clinics for homeless and housing insecure pet owners. In addition to vaccines, we also provide supplies such as flea/tick prevention and pet food. Two free microchip events were held within the last month to help ensure lost pets can be reunited with their family. We operate a pet food assistance program in partnership with 18 human food banks in Buncombe County by providing bagged food that they can provide to clients seeking assistance for themselves. The Community Solutions team is utilizing the resources of The Association for Animal Welfare Advancement for training, materials, etc. on diversity, equity and inclusion to address those issues within the context of animal welfare (https://learning.theaawa.org/p/dei#tab-product_tab_training).</p>
Activities related to increasing operational excellence:	<p>AHS is currently developing a new website and will be able to provide more information on the availability of free resources in Buncombe County for citizens experiencing challenges in caring for their pet. The new site will also be easier to navigate and provide more resources available in the community, New programming is being developed to address lost pets and increased resources and services to reunite pets with their families.</p>

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Progress toward annual goals

Measure	Annual Goal	Actual Results (Enter Data) Please only include new data for the specific quarter				Progress toward Annual Goal
		Quarter 1	Quarter 2	Quarter 3	Quarter 4	
Number of Helpline calls requesting veterinary assistance	1,000	378	416	446	463	1,703
Number of pets provided veterinary assistance with funds from this grant	100	24	26	28	28	106
Number of clients requesting follow-up support	50	48	67	39	41	195

Comments:

*NOTE: Some of the clients requesting follow-up support (or 2nd service) did not receive veterinary assistance, but called our Helpline requesting that service. A thorough intake process with callers allows staff to determine what the client needs and how we can be of the most assistance.

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Use of funds to date and any budget considerations

Spending Category	Starting Budget	Total Spending (Enter Data)				Amount Remaining
		Quarter 1	Quarter 2	Quarter 3	Quarter 4	
Personnel						\$ -
Training						\$ -
Supplies/Materials						\$ -
Meetings						\$ -
Equipment/Furniture						\$ -
Printing/Marketing						\$ -
Licensing/Memberships/Dues/Subscriptions						\$ -
Client Support						\$ -
Contracts						\$ -
Professional Services						\$ -
Insurance and Bonds						\$ -
Building Maintenance						\$ -
Vet & Wellness Care for Pets	\$ 15,000	\$ 3,750	\$ 3,763	\$ 3,786	\$ 3,701	\$ -
List other cost						\$ -
List other cost						\$ -
Total	\$ 15,000	\$ 3,750	\$ 3,763	\$ 3,786	\$ 3,701	\$ -

Comments:

*Note: All veterinary expenses this quarter are \$150.00 or under as we received a donation to assist with vet expenses of over \$150.00.