

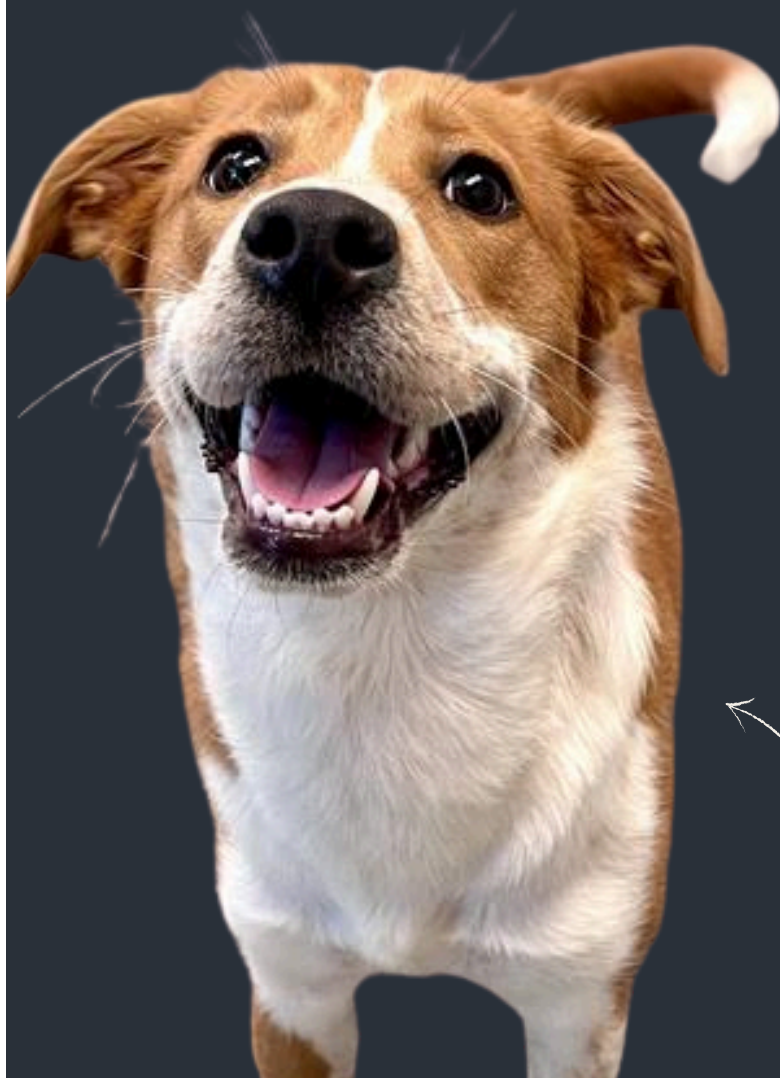


2025 Annual

# Impact Report

SERVICES

# We'd like to thank all our donors for their generous *support.*



*You make a difference.*

Every day, lives are changed at Tallahassee Animal Services Center. Frightened animals find comfort, second chances begin, and hope is restored.

This past year, thanks to your compassion and generosity, ASF helped make more of those moments possible than ever before.

Together, we provided support and resources to Tallahassee Animals Services, our city's municipal shelter. This included help for a record number of animals; coordinating more lifesaving transports than any year before, and providing homeless and shelter pets with the second chances they needed to thrive.



*Buttercup, and other shelter animals, received life-saving surgery through ASF's Vet Visit program.*

6,298

animals helped



### Microchips

234

animals chipped to help lost pets reunite with their families



### Happy Tails Transport

223

cats and dogs saved through lifesaving transport partnerships



### Doggie Manners & Behavior Training

121

participants received discounted training to help improve pet behavior



### Heartworm Help

101

heartworm positive shelter dogs received life-saving treatment



### Community Cats

94

received spay/neuter surgeries, vaccinations, & basic care to help end overpopulation



### Animal Birth Control

66

spay and neuter vouchers provided to community members



### HOPES

26

families received help to prevent shelter surrender & keep pets at home



### Foster Sleepover

20

shelter dogs received a much-needed break in a home environment



### Vet Visit Program

13

animals received specialized veterinary care



### Tally Spay

5,400

low-cost spay & neuter surgeries performed at our clinic

# Carla's second chance.



Carla was the kind of dog who tried hard to be brave, but the world felt big, loud, and overwhelming. After arriving at the City of Tallahassee Animal Service Center, she was adopted by someone who immediately loved her, but quickly realized she needed more support than he knew how to give. Unsure where to begin, he turned to ASF's Animal Behavior Training (ABT) Program.

Through ASF's partnership with Morgan's Dog Training, Carla received a full behavior assessment and personalized training plan. Week by week, her fearful body language softened. She began approaching new experiences with curiosity instead of hesitation. And as her confidence blossomed, so did her bond with her new dad.

Today, Carla is a different dog. She is calm, trusting, and joyful. Her dad calls the program "life-changing," sharing that ASF helped him understand her needs, communicate with her, and give her the stable home she deserved.

Carla's transformation is a reminder of why we do what we do: to keep pets and families together, to reduce returns to the shelter, and to give shelter dogs a much-needed second chance.



*Adopted Carla and her dad.*

# Zip's Road Trip to a new home.

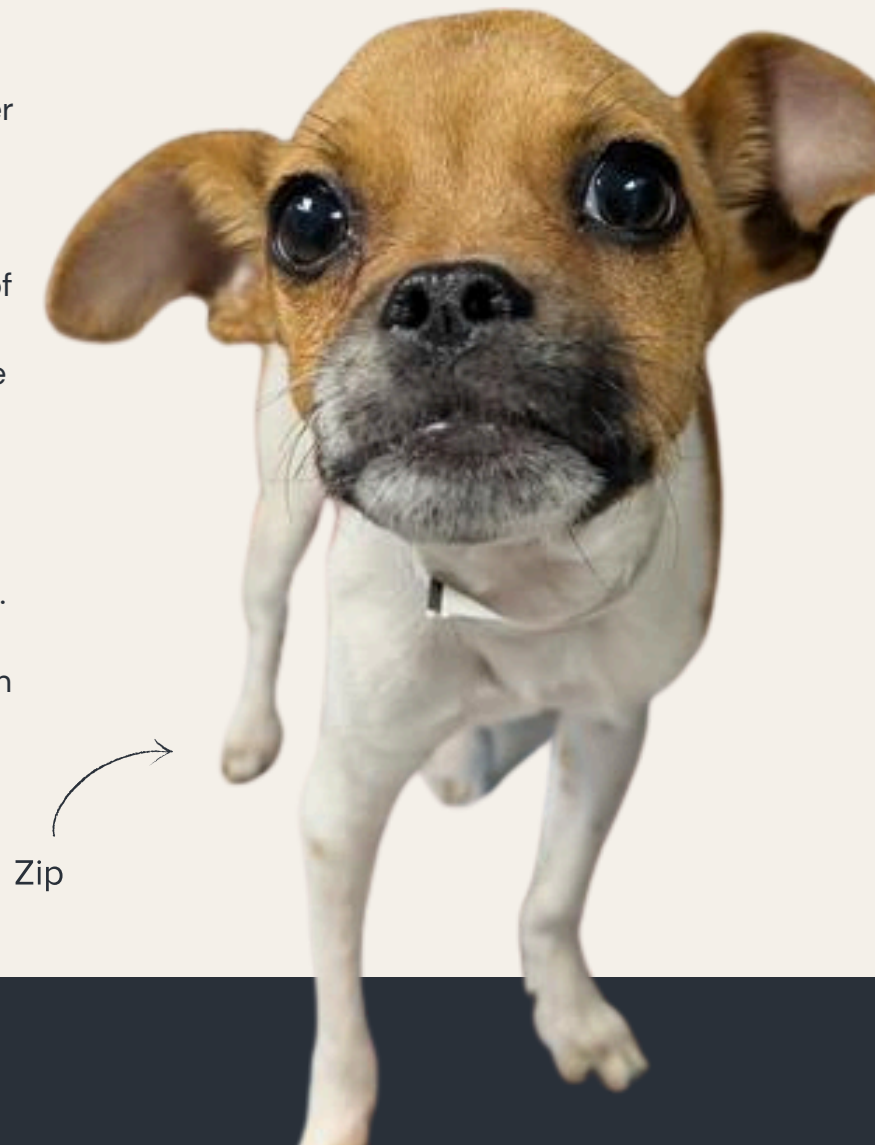
Six-month-old Zip entered the shelter through a county animal control case, scared, injured, and unsure of the world. He had a fractured femoral head and neck, a painful injury requiring specialized surgery.

ASF's partners at Bradfordville Animal Hospital quickly stepped in, performing an FHO surgery to repair his hip and set him on the path to recovery. But Zip's journey wasn't over.

With the shelter operating at maximum capacity during renovations, ASF's Happy Tails Transport Program stepped in to ensure he got the second chance he deserved. Zip was matched with a trusted rescue partner out of state, where his chances of adoption were significantly higher.

Once healed, Zip made the road trip of his life, supported by ASF donors, volunteer transport teams, and rescue partners who believed in him. Soon after arriving, Zip met the family who had been waiting for him all along. His tail tells the story: safe, loved, and ready for a lifetime of new adventures.

Zip's happy ending is one of more than 200 made possible through ASF's transports this year.



Zip

# Lifesaving Programs

ASF is dedicated to improving the lives of shelter animals and reducing pet overpopulation through a variety of impactful programs and services. From organizing adoption events and funding specialized medical care to offering training resources and supporting spay/neuter initiatives, ASF works tirelessly to give every animal a chance at a better life.



## Adoption Promotion

ASF sponsors and organizes adoption events to boost the visibility of shelter animals, often providing goodies, raffle baskets, and adoption incentives like free heartworm prevention.



## Animal Enrichment

ASF funds enrichment items for shelter pets, including treats, toys, leashes, and play yard equipment, helping animals stay mentally stimulated during their shelter stay.



## Animal Behavior Training

ASF partners with local trainers to support adopted and foster dogs, providing behavioral assessments and training to improve pet retention and reduce shelter surrenders.



## Canine Companions

ASF funds part-time specialists who exercise and enrich shelter dogs, helping reduce kennel stress and improve adoptability.



## Animal Birth Control

This program issues vouchers for free spay/neuter surgeries to reduce unwanted litters, which are distributed through the shelter and local animal-control officers.



## Collars & Leashes

ASF provides martingale collars and no-pull harnesses to adopters, ensuring dogs are safely and comfortably secured for their new journey home.



### Community Cats

ASF helps end community cat overpopulation by providing spay/neuter surgeries, rabies vaccines, and ear-tipping for stray and feral cats at no cost.



### Heartworm Help

Our Heartworm Help program removes barriers to adoptions for heartworm-positive dogs adopted from Tallahassee Animal Services by covering treatment costs, making adoption more affordable for potential pet owners.



### Doggie Manners Class

ASF offers low-cost basic dog training classes to adopters, providing them with skills to ensure their new pets adjust well to their homes.



### Hopes

HOPES provides resources like training and medical care to help families keep their pets, preventing shelter relinquishments and keeping animals in with their current owners.



### Foster Sleepover

This program funds short-term foster sleepovers, giving shelter dogs a mental break and helping them adjust to home life – providing invaluable insights into their behavior and needs, helping match them with the perfect adopter.



### Vet Visit Program

ASF's Vet Visit program and incredible community partnerships with local veterinarians help cover veterinary treatment costs for shelter animals, preparing them for adoption and increasing their chances of finding forever homes.



### Happy Tails Transport

ASF provides supplies and gas reimbursement to local rescues and volunteer drivers, and funds transports to regions with higher adoption rates, freeing up critical kennel space, giving animals a better chance at a new life.



**Juniper**, just over a year old, came to the shelter needing surgery for a right FHO. Before the procedure could take place, she was adopted –wonderful news! ASF honored our commitment to her care, and her surgery was completed after her adoption by our friends at CVS, ensuring she started her new life healthy and pain-free.



# Removing Barriers So More Dogs Find Homes

At ASF, we believe heartworms should never be a barrier to adoption. That's why we proudly offer free heartworm treatment through our Heartworm Help program for adopters of heartworm-positive shelter dogs.

This year alone, our program has provided **life-saving** treatment to 101 dogs, giving them a second chance at a happy, healthy life!

Heartworms are **100% preventable** — yet left untreated, they can be fatal. Prevention starts with regular vet visits, annual testing, and consistently giving dogs heartworm prevention medication.

Heartworms don't discriminate. No matter the breed, age, weight, or sex, any dog can be at risk. Protect your pets and help them live long, healthy, heartworm-free lives.

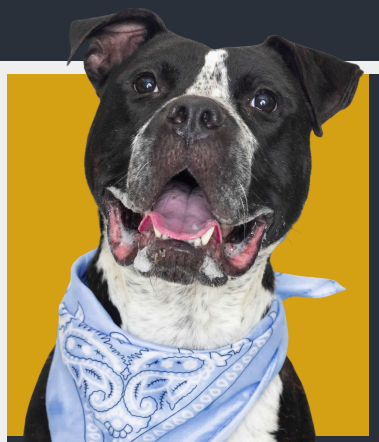
Together, we're helping dogs like Doofy, Marlin, and Speck find the loving homes they deserve.

## Think heartworms are rare?

At the Tallahassee Animal Service Center, 1 in 5 dogs tested upon arrival are heartworm positive — but together, we're changing their futures.



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Doofy



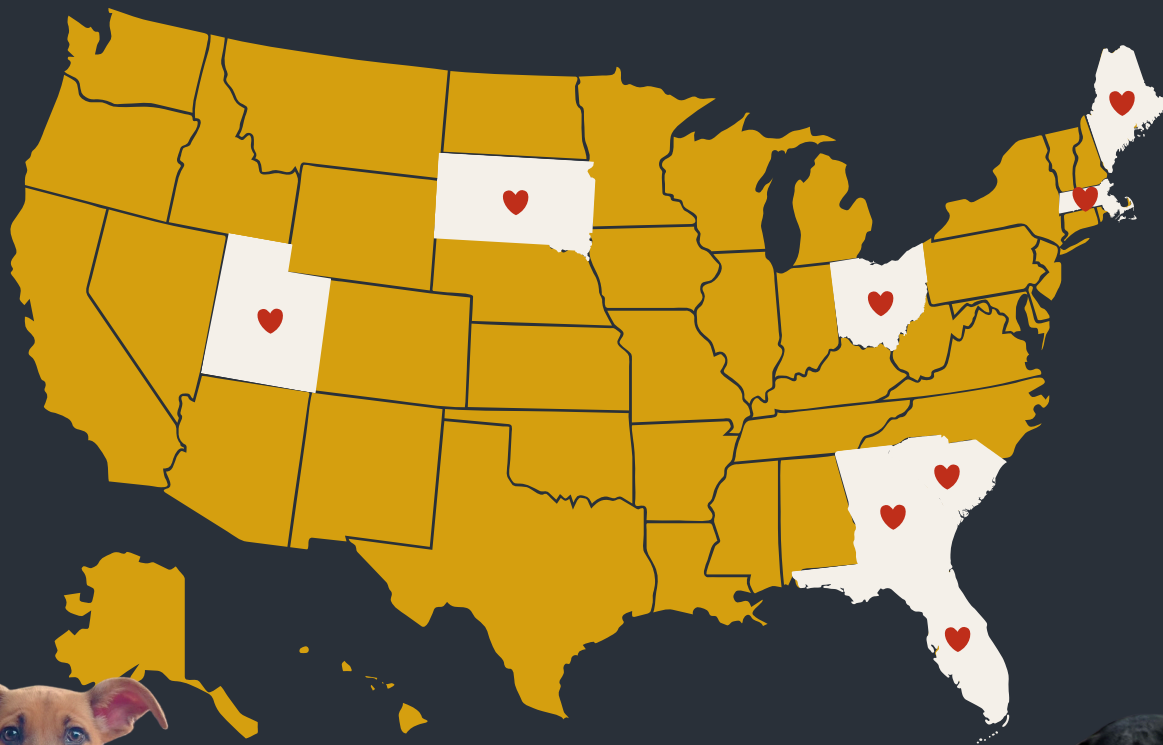
↑  
Speck



→  
Marlin

With the help of our friends,  
3 transport teams, and 14 rescue partners across 8 states, 223 pets were saved through ASF's Happy Tails Transport Program.

The Happy Tails Transport Program, has made it possible to cover costs for both short- and long-distance transfers, working with life-saving rescue and transport organizations to give homeless pets a second chance. This program opens doors for hundreds of dogs and cats who might have been overlooked in the shelter, offering them a fresh opportunity to find loving homes – and to keep happy tails in motion!



Check out the video from our most recent and largest transport - EVER!

Volunteers Tori and Nikki help shelter pups get ready to head north via ASF's Happy Tails Transport.



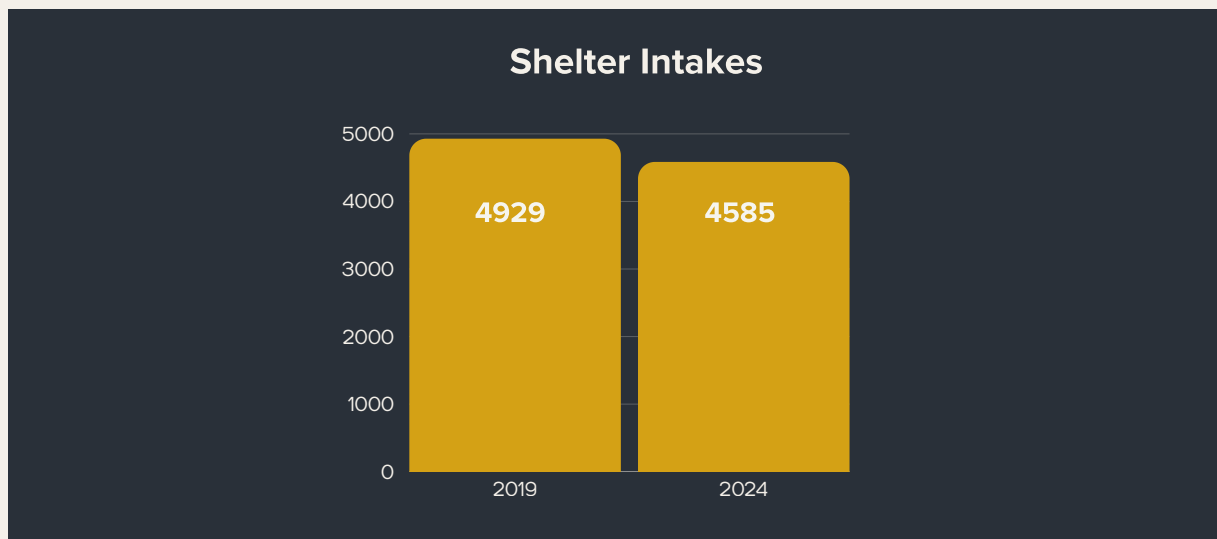
# Low-Cost, Spay/Neuter Clinic

# Tally Spay

Unwanted pets often end up in the shelter. While spay and neuter is an obvious solution, for many the expense is an obstacle. That's why ASF opened Tally Spay in 2021.

Located on the northwest side of the city, Tally Spay is a high-volume, low-cost sterilization clinic serving Tallahassee and surrounding areas, with a mission to reduce pet overpopulation. Our clinic performs thousands of surgeries annually, including services for community cats, to prevent unwanted litters. Earlier this year, Tally Spay hit the 10,000 surgery milestone and will close in on 15,000 surgeries in early 2026.

Funded by surgeries, donations, and grants, Tally Spay plays a vital role in managing pet population growth.



While we see progress, our community has more work to do to reduce the number of unwanted animals born each year, and the number that are born each year and enter the shelter. ASF is committed to helping reduce pet overpopulation through Tally Spay, ongoing education, and community outreach.



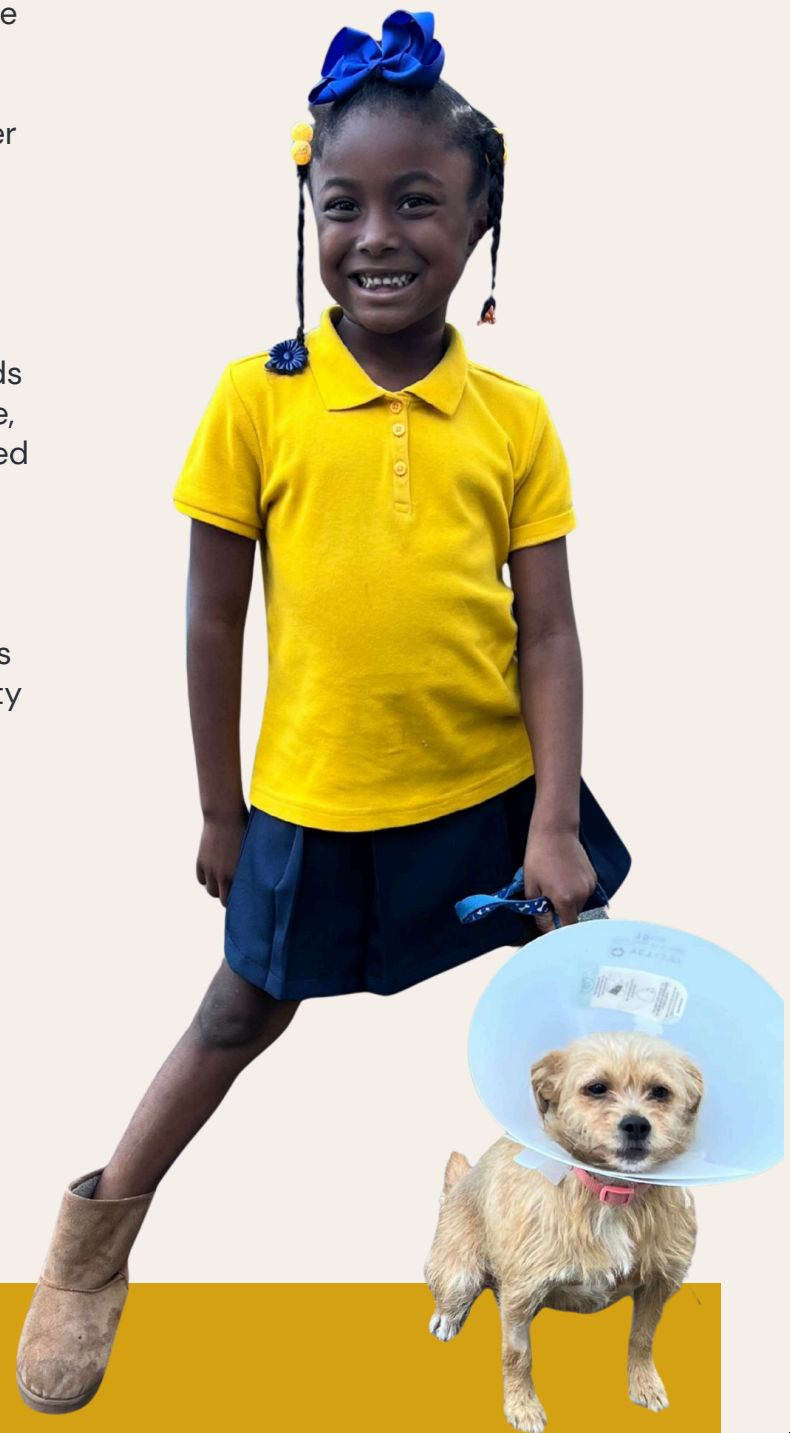
# We're proud of how far we've come and energized for the future ahead.

Sometimes we have to pinch ourselves — remembering when Tally Spay was just a big dream on paper — and now witnessing the continued outpouring of love for animals and the trust placed in our Tally Spay team.

Our goal is to provide access to spay and neuter surgeries to as many people as possible to prevent the birth of unwanted litters that would end up in the shelter.

Tally Spay follows the ASPCA Spay/Neuter Alliance's "Gold Standard" training and standards to ensure all pets receive the best possible care, and the dedicated Tally Spay Team are all trained in Fear Free techniques and are RECOVER CPR certified.

We could not provide this service to our community — or to the loving, deserving animals who need us — without the continued generosity of our supporters.



# Recognizing Local *animal heroes.*

We hosted our 2<sup>nd</sup> annual “Round-of-A-Paws” awards to celebrate the many community members, businesses, and organizations that work to make a positive difference in animal welfare every single day.



### **Animal Advocate Award: Joey Best**

As Tallahassee Animal Services’ Canine Companion Specialist, Joey Best has spent five years transforming the lives of thousands of dogs. With patience, calm, and exceptional skill, he helps fearful and high-energy dogs gain confidence, preparing them for loving homes. His daily commitment to enrichment and rehabilitation has strengthened the entire shelter team and changed countless outcomes. Joey exemplifies compassionate, hands-on advocacy that quietly saves lives every single day.

### **Animal Welfare Champion Award: Commissioner Jack Porter**

Commissioner Jack Porter brings heart and action to animal welfare, championing responsible pet ownership and adoption initiatives across Tallahassee. Beyond policy, she fosters pets, helps community cats, and personally assists animals in need. Her authenticity and persistence ensure animal welfare remains a citywide priority. Through leadership and compassion, Commissioner Porter demonstrates how public service and personal commitment can work together to make Tallahassee a more humane community.



### **Helping Hand Award: Madison Glaser**

WCTV anchor and reporter Madison Glaser uses her voice and creativity to help countless animals find homes. Through her “Pet of the Week” segments, social media, and community partnerships, she brings warmth, humor, and visibility to adoptable pets. Madison’s storytelling and advocacy inspire viewers to adopt, volunteer, and support local shelters. Her consistent compassion and professionalism make her a powerful ally in the mission to give every pet a second chance.





### Community Partner Award: Animal Aid Society & Neuter Center

For more than 50 years, the Animal Aid Society Spay & Neuter Center has been a cornerstone of humane care in North Florida. Their affordable spay/neuter and wellness services have prevented thousands of unwanted litters and improved pet health community-wide. Through partnerships, outreach, and compassion, Animal Aid makes preventive care accessible and empowers owners to be part of the solution. Their enduring leadership continues to shape a kinder, healthier future for local animals.

### Community Partner Award: Tally Cat Café

Since 2018, Tally Cat Café has reimagined how people connect with adoptable cats—combining coffee, community, and compassion to find homes for more than 1,800 felines. Partnering with the Leon County Humane Society and local rescues, they provide a calm, friendly space where cats can shine. The café also promotes spay/neuter awareness, microchipping, and FIV education. Tally Cat Café is a beloved local hub that proves every latte can help save a life.



### Founder's Award: Dr. Sandi Huffman, DVM

Dr. Sandi Huffman's decades-long veterinary career has shaped the foundation of humane care in Tallahassee. From private practice to shelter medicine and cruelty investigations, she has saved and advocated for thousands of animals. A leader at Tally Spay and an ASF advisor, her expertise has guided programs and advanced community impact. Compassionate, skilled, and tireless, Dr. Huffman embodies the Founder's Award spirit—leaving a lasting legacy of service, education, and lifesaving care.

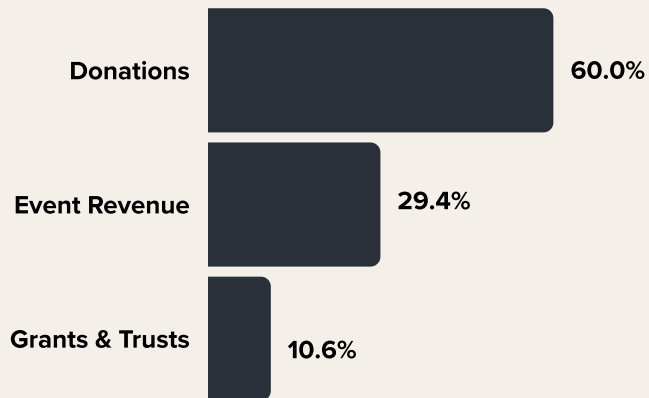


*Pluto, a handsome feline with a painful mouth, received much-needed dental care thanks to our friends at Novey Animal Hospital. With his dental issues resolved, Pluto found his forever home soon afterward.*

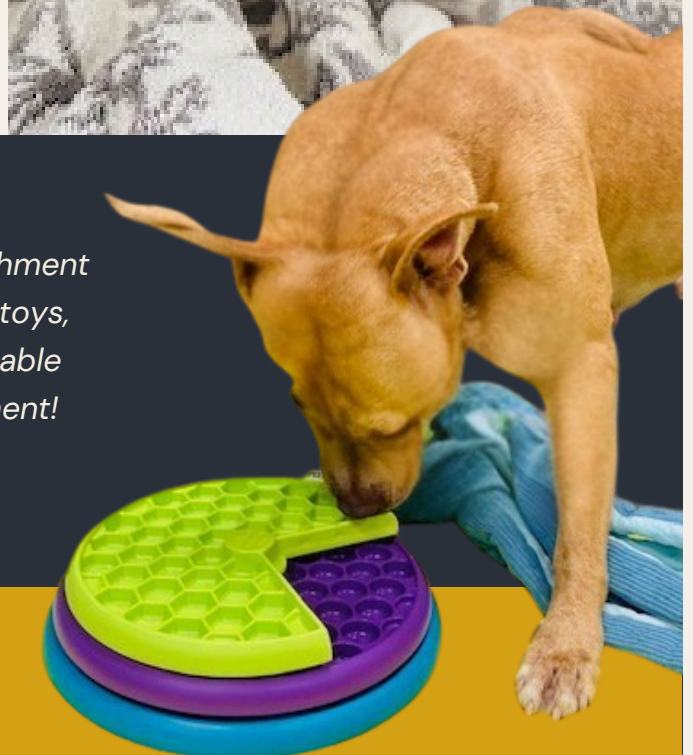
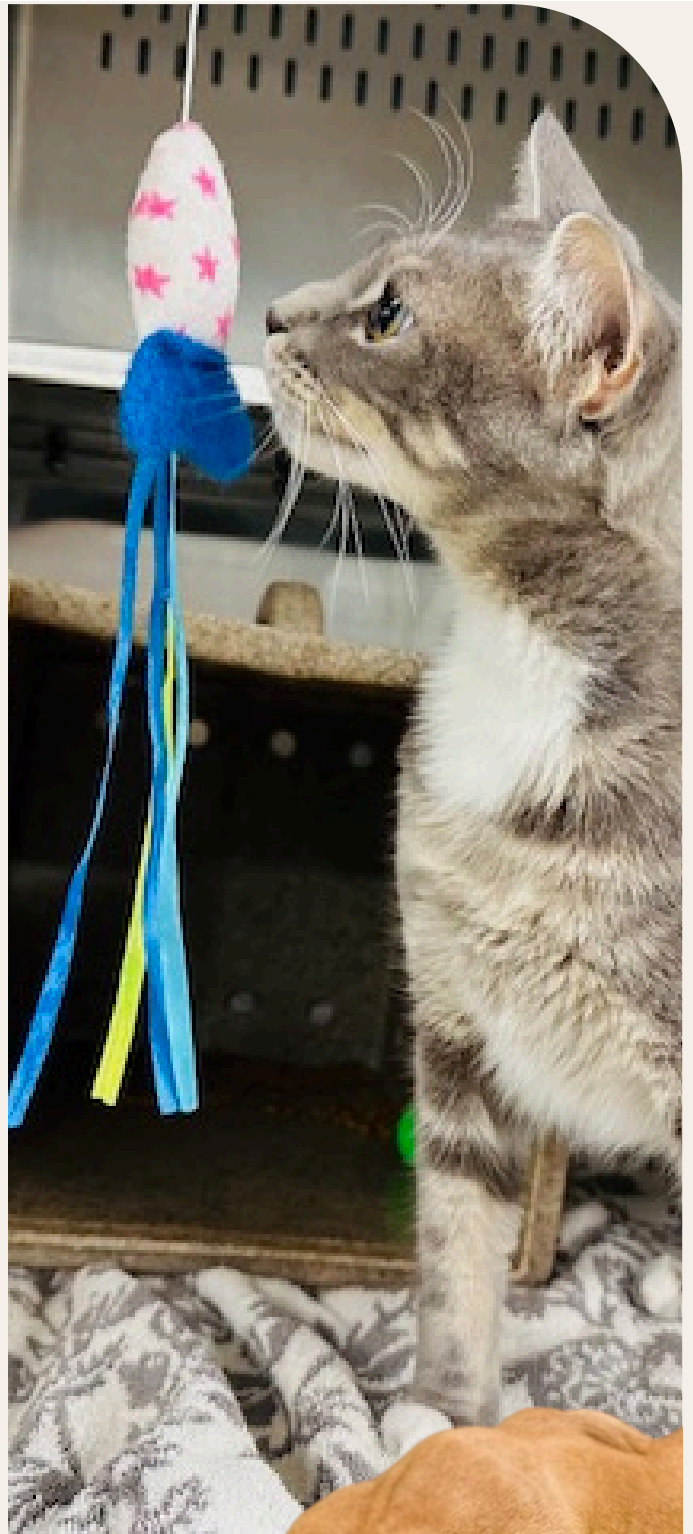
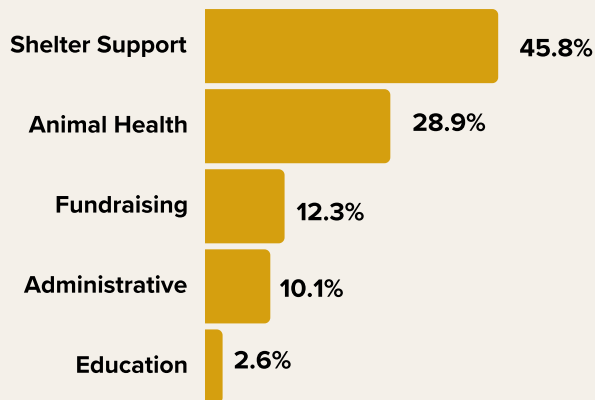


# Finances

## INCOME

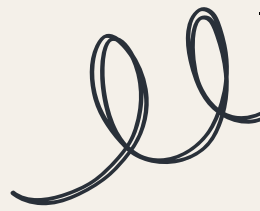


## EXPENSES



*ASF is proud to provide in and out of kennel enrichment for shelter animals, like Stormy (cat). From Kongs, toys, and treats to dog walking collars & leashes, Adoptable pets like Wiley (dog) endorse year-round enrichment!*

# A Look at Next Year



As ASF heads into its 19th year, and with your help, we look forward to continuing our work to make a difference in the lives of homeless pets in our community.

In the coming year, we'll celebrate a remarkable milestone – 15,000 spay/neuter surgeries at Tally Spay – and continue our mission to reduce shelter intakes, promote adoption, and improve the lives of every pet who enters the shelter's doors.

We're seeking our first full-time Executive Director, which will usher in a new era of growth and sustainability. We'll deepen our support for shelter programs that heal and transform, from Happy Tails Transport and Heartworm Help to Vet Visits, HOPES, and Doggie Manners. We will continue to shine a light on the people who make it all possible through our annual Round of A-Paws Awards, celebrating the compassion and community that fuel our work.

**Our journey is powered by YOU – donors, volunteers, and community partners who believe that every homeless animal deserves a loving home.**

Together, we'll keep turning compassion into action and ensure that every wag, purr, and happy tail tells the story of what we can achieve when a community comes together for its animals.

Here's to another year of improving the quality of life for homeless animals in our community, and to all the paws we'll help along the way.

## VISION

To give homeless animals in our community a happy life and to end pet overpopulation.

## MISSION

To make a positive difference in the lives of homeless animals by funding and providing programs and resources that improve the quality of life for animals in the care of Tallahassee Animal Services, and that support solutions for reducing pet overpopulation.

## VALUES

- Compassion
- Adaptability
- Lifesaving Commitment
- Fiscal Stewardship
- Teamwork
- Education



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# Every homeless animal deserves a *second chance.*

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Because of you, Tallahassee's homeless animals  
have a brighter, kinder future.

Thank you for standing beside us and for believing  
that every animal deserves a chance.

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