

# ANNUAL REPORT 2021



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# A LETTER

## *from the executive director*

**Dear Good Human,**

There's a lot to reflect on from 2021, and we are so grateful that you, Good Human, joined Foothills Animal Shelter for another year of helping make life better for people and pets in our community.

### **Pets and people are BETTER Together**

Foothills has worked to create solutions and provide resources to families through our Better Together programs. The need for resources looks different for every family, and Foothills is ready to provide judgment-free support. This may mean affordable vaccines, free pet food, or wellness exams. With the need for temporary placement of pets in our protective custody programs increasing by 190% last year alone, the need has never been more urgent. We are thankful for the support of partner agencies in Jefferson County and the generosity of kind individuals like you to help make this vital work possible.



### **Improving the Shelter to enhance the emotional and physical health of pets**

We first walked through the doors of our current building 11 years ago. It's incredible to see how the needs of the Shelter have changed over time, and we are working daily to identify how to best utilize our space to ensure the emotional and physical well-being of the pets in our care. Over the last year, we made many exciting changes, including completing our Catio, creating a beautiful space that will enrich the lives of our feline residents. The coops for our Barnyard were constructed, providing a better environment for chickens, ducks, and other fowl. Finally, we began the task of repainting the interior of our 33,000 square foot building, beautifying the facility, and bringing it forward to our new brand.

### **You make our work possible**

We have a lot of incredible accomplishments to celebrate in 2021 and are excited as we look forward to another year of strengthening the human-animal bond in 2022. Thank you for being part of the Foothills Animal Shelter family. Our work would not be possible without you.

Sincerely,

*Connie Howard*



# 2021 STATISTICS

**7,653**

**ANIMALS SHELTERED**

Here at Foothills Animal Shelter

**5,292**

**PETS ADOPTED**

Including dogs, cats and small animals

**1,681**

**LOST PETS REUNITED**

With their loving families

**4,450**

**SPAY OR NEUTER SURGERIES**

By the Shelter's veterinary team

**2,199**

**PETS VACCINATED**

Through our Community Vaccine Clinic

**33,682**

**DOGS LICENSED**

In Jefferson County





# WE ARE BETTER TOGETHER



PETS ENTERED  
PROTECTIVE  
CUSTODY PROGRAMS  
IN 2021

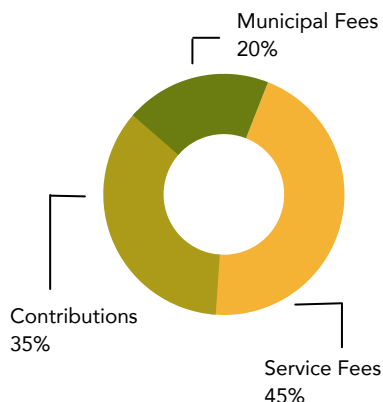
**When community programs work  
together, families stay together.**

We believe that animals are an integral part of the family, and we know that the family and their pets benefit when animals can stay with or be reunited with their owners after a traumatic experience. Our Better Together programs are dedicated to keeping the family unit intact during a crisis.

# 2021 FINANCIALS

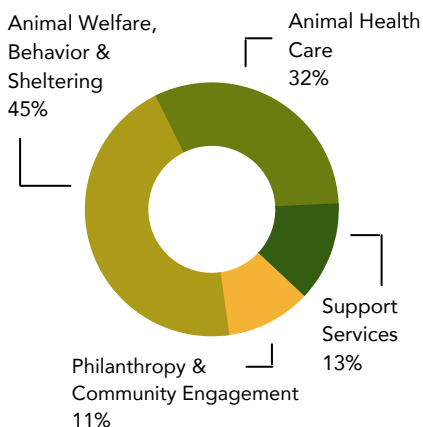
## SHELTER REVENUE

\$4,470,428



## SHELTER EXPENSES

\$4,203,825





# OUR BELIEFS

Our belief system informs the way we operate as a team of staff and volunteers, driving us to build a stronger community. We empower our team to be flexible, innovative, and compassionate to deliver the best possible experience and create the best outcomes for the people and pets we serve.

## TRUST

We trust our community to make the best decisions for themselves, their pets, and their families. We work to earn the trust of our community through transparency and honesty.

## PETS BELONG IN HOMES

Animals are healthiest with a family in a home, outside of shelter environments.

## KINDNESS

We are as kind to people as we are to animals. We give our community the benefit of the doubt and are a resource for pet owners in need.

## OPENNESS

We strive to approach conversations without judgement in order to support our community's diverse needs.

## EMOTIONAL WELLNESS

Emotional health is supported through positive, science-based, force-free training and behavior change methods.

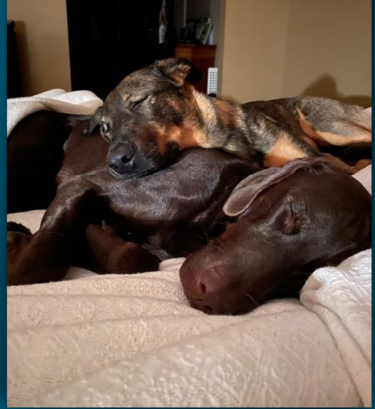
## OPTIMISM

Optimism fuels resilience. We are committed to serving our community with hopefulness and positivity.



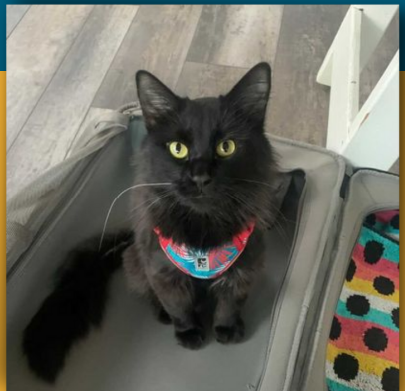


# ADOPTION STORIES



"We adopted Ozzy, or Sweet Oz, as we call him about a year ago. He works from sun up to sun down keeping watch over the pesky squirrels and birds that he can never seem to catch in our backyard. He loves playing with his brother (Remi) and going for all the walks. But best of all, he loves snuggling up on the couch with a nice blanket and his favorite humans after a long day of 'working.' We love him so much. Thank you Foothills for bringing him into our lives!"

"This is Rocky! He was adopted in October and has become quite the fun loving and curious little guy. Rocky loves being outside, my (now his) satin pillow case, and a delicious chicken and turkey dinner! He is truly my better half and I couldn't be more thankful to have a cat like him. Thank you for giving me the opportunity to have him in my life."



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