



Friends of the Fairfax County Animal Shelter

2009 Annual Report

Compassionate citizens helping our local animal shelter.



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More than 5,000 animals come to the Fairfax County Animal Shelter each year.

The shelter opens its doors — and its heart — to care for each and every animal. But, the shelter can't do it alone. Thankfully, the Friends of the Fairfax County Animal Shelter is here to help. Through donor and volunteer support, we provide medical care, food, supplies and so much more to help the shelter care for these loving animals. In doing so, we help save lives — together.

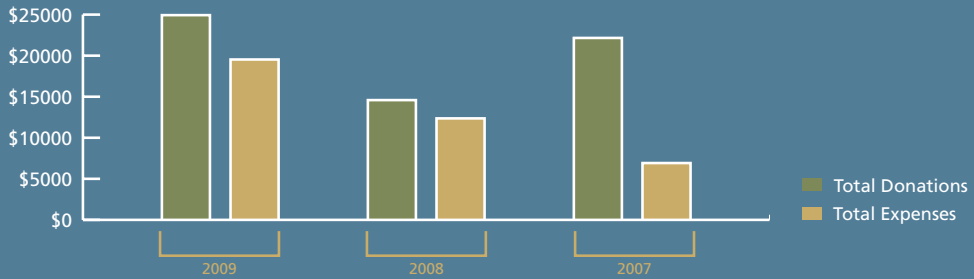
FFCAS 2009 Financial Statements

The following are summarized statements of the financial position and activities of the **Friends of the Fairfax County Animal Shelter (FFCAS)**.

| | 2009 | 2008 | 2007 |
|-------------------------------------|--------------------|--------------------|--------------------|
| Assets | | | |
| Cash | \$23,783.97 | \$18,291.49 | \$16,154.23 |
| Total Assets | \$23,783.97 | \$18,291.49 | \$16,154.23 |
| Liabilities and Equity | | | |
| Liabilities | \$0.00 | \$0.00 | \$0.00 |
| Equity | \$23,783.97 | \$18,291.49 | \$16,154.23 |
| Total Liabilities and Equity | \$23,783.97 | \$18,291.49 | \$16,154.23 |
| Revenue | | | |
| Donations | \$24,934.57 | \$14,586.70 | \$22,158.10 |
| Interest | \$1.22 | \$9.38 | \$2.19 |
| Other | \$90.00 | \$108.00 | \$0.00 |
| Total Revenue | \$25,025.79 | \$14,704.08 | \$22,160.29 |
| Expenses | | | |
| Medical Treatments | \$14,375.25 | \$5,270.84 | \$2,934.14 |
| Shelter Support | \$1,261.96 | \$3,631.21 | \$100.00 |
| Foster Program | \$825.01 | \$399.95 | \$0.00 |
| Community Outreach | \$600.00 | \$0.00 | \$0.00 |
| Volunteer/Shelter Staff Training | \$475.00 | \$705.00 | \$0.00 |
| Fundraising | \$1,769.70 | \$1,956.93 | \$3,739.12 |
| Other | \$226.39 | \$396.89 | \$148.80 |
| Total Expenses | \$19,533.31 | \$12,360.82 | \$6,922.06 |
| Net Revenue | \$5,492.48 | \$2,343.26 | \$15,238.23 |

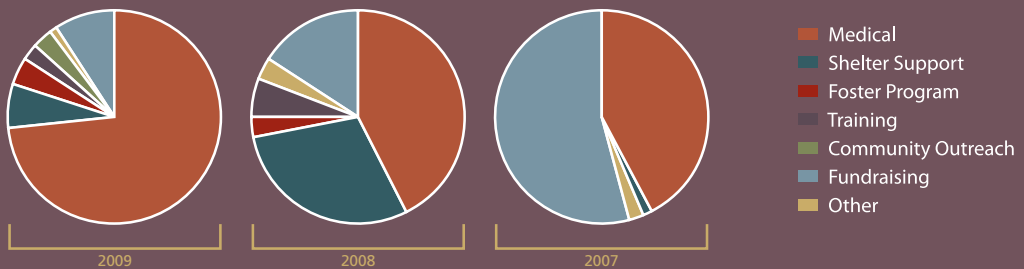
Revenue Verses Expenses

This chart compares the amount recieved in donations against the amount spent for each year.



Percentage of Expense Types

This chart illustrates the percentage of the total expenses used for each category.





FFCAS 2009 Success story: **Arnie**

The little Pomeranian came to the Animal Shelter as a stray but was never redeemed by his owners despite the fact that he was wearing an old Loudoun County license tag. Cute and friendly he was quickly adopted and then returned because he needed extensive dental work costing several hundred dollars. Shelter Director Karen Diviney knew it would be hard to find an adopter for Arnie unless his dental work was taken care of, so she asked FFCAS to cover the cost of his dental surgery. With his procedure out of the way, Arnie was soon adopted again, and this time he truly found his forever family.

FFCAS 2009 Success story: **Bridgette**

When Bridgette and 12 other dogs came to the Fairfax County Animal Shelter after being seized as part of a Pennsylvania puppy mill raid, shelter staff knew that there would be challenges in getting the group of neglected dogs ready for new homes. Many of the dogs, including Bridgette, needed sanitary grooms, dental work and socialization before they could be considered adoptable. With help from the FFCAS, Bridgette received treatment and was eventually adopted. Now called "Olivia," this pup is thriving in her new home. Her adoptive parents report that bringing Olivia into their lives has done wonders for the family, even giving her older sister — a 13-year old mini schnauzer — a new lease on life.



TO READ MORE FFCAS SUCCESS STORIES, VISIT OUR WEB SITE AT WWW.FFCAS.ORG

Discussion

The Friends of the Fairfax County Animal Shelter (FFCAS) was incorporated in 2006 and received approval from the IRS as a 501(c)(3) charitable organization on January 11, 2007.

During 2007, our first full year of operation, we focused on promoting awareness of FFCAS in the community. We partnered with the Lorton Arts Foundation (www.lortonarts.org) on the *Paw Painting Art Show and Fun Walk* held at the Workhouse Arts Center in Lorton, Virginia. In addition, we held the first Cinco de Meow fundraising event, developed promotional materials and established a presence on Petfinder (www.petfinder.com/shelters/VA418.html) to promote the adoption of shelter animals.

In 2008, we funded a program focused on reducing the number of feral cats in our community. This program included the purchase of traps to capture free roaming cats and funds to have them spayed and neutered. To assist the shelter in preparing for “kitten season,” we funded training for volunteers and shelter staff on the care of orphaned kittens. We increased our funding of veterinary expenses for shelter animals and purchased supplies to support the shelter’s newly expanded foster care program.

A \$10,000 donation received in 2009 provided the funding necessary to significantly expand our support of veterinary care for animals at the shelter. Our 2009 donations totaled \$25,026 with \$14,375 (73.6%) going directly for medical care. This included surgery for Franklin, a cat with a painful eye disorder; emergency care for a young puppy with a broken bone and life saving treatment for a dog with a heart condition. We also increased our support of the shelter’s foster program and sponsored a reception honoring the support and assistance of rescue groups in our community.

The FFCAS looks forward to increasing the depth and breadth of our support for shelter animals in 2010 and beyond. In January of 2010 we launched a spay/neuter program for shelter bunnies. We are again supporting the rescue group reception and are currently busy planning our 4th annual Cinco de Meow fundraising event scheduled for May 1st. The care of shelter animals remains our top priority. During the first two months of 2010, the FFCAS has funded veterinary services of several shelter animals in need of emergency care or surgery.

2009 FFCAS Board:

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Mary O'Malley, Member



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