



**FRIENDS OF ANIMALS RESCUE AND ADOPTION CENTER  
2022 ANNUAL REPORT**

# LETTER FROM THE DIRECTOR OF FRIENDS OF ANIMALS

On behalf of our organization, we would like to thank you for your support. You have provided us with the opportunity to continue our mission to help the dogs and cats of Moore County, TN while also educating and assisting our residents on the importance of spay and neuter. 2022 came with a growing need for help with the stray/homeless dogs and cats in Moore County. We received many requests for help in regards to stray animals, abandoned animals, and even owner surrenders. While we do our absolute best to answer these cries for help, the lack of space, fosters, and volunteer staff continue to limit our ability to be able to assist with all calls.

2022 alone brought 187 animals through our shelter, not including the ones that were already in our care at the beginning of the year. Of this 187, there were 96 cats and 91 dogs. This does not include the multiple daily phone calls from people with animals that we were not able to assist and the multiple animals that we posted to find their homes. We work very hard to find safe outlets for these animals through adoptions and transporting to other rescues that do not face the same overcrowding issues as our state. In 2022, 79 animals were saved by transporting them North to shelters that were needing animals to adopt out. These shelters were located in multiple states and even in another country: Canada, Wisconsin, New York, and so on. 2022 also brought along 84 adoptions to wonderful families. Due to the high volume and seemingly endless 'kitten season', we had to remodel and expand our kitten room. This gave us the opportunity to help more in need.

We always look forward to participating in the community events that we can like Spring in the Hollow and Jack Daniel's BBQ. These events make it possible to meet new friends, catch up with old friends, and spread awareness about the work we do within the community. Our annual fundraisers were a success and we were able to add one major fundraiser with the help from Jordan's Way, a fundraising team that tours the nation visiting shelters to raise money! With these fundraisers and the help of our generous donors, we were able to make it through the year.

We continued our spay/neuter efforts with our community spay/neuter program, 'Penny's Promise'. With the help of a grant from The Community Foundation of Middle Tennessee, we were able to mail postcards about our assistance program to all residents in our county. We created vouchers for 121 personal animals to be spayed/neutered and receive their Rabies vaccine. We were also able to spay/neuter 45 feral cats living within our community, preventing MANY litters of kittens.

We are proud of our accomplishments in the year, and will always strive to achieve higher goals in the year to come. Thanks to all of our supporters, we are able to set these goals and work toward them.



Brandi Blankenship, President/Director  
Moore County Friends of Animals  
Friends of Animals Rescue and Adoption Center

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# **OUR MISSION STATEMENT**

**WE RESCUE AND PROVIDE CARE TO THE HOMELESS CATS AND DOGS  
OF MOORE COUNTY, TENNESSEE  
WHILE REDUCING THE PET OVER POPULATION BY OFFERING EDUCATION AND OUR  
COMMUNITY SPAY/NEUTER PROGRAM.**

# DONATIONS AND FUNDRAISING



Our amazing donors are what keeps Friends of Animals' doors open. Without their generosity, FoA would have been closed many years ago. Whether it be dropping off a bag of food, writing a monthly donation, or just answering a call for emergency supplies, it all helps us keep saving animals' lives. Groups, large and small, band together and donate goods and money throughout the year.

Our biggest local donor, Jack Daniels/Brown Foreman have through the years supported FoA. We are so very grateful, because without their support, Friends of Animals would not have a shelter, kennels or a van to transport the animals in. In 2022, the Brown Forman JD

Marketing group continued their generosity and donated a large number of Jack related collectible Silent Auction items for the JD BBQ event. Squire's from all over the country came and bid very generously. Two



2022 JD BBQ: FoA volunteers at the 2022 BBQ tent where we displayed some of the Silent Auction items.

other Squire groups, The Church Choir Squires and the Jack Daniel's U.S. Collectors Society gave us donations from

# 187

RESCUES IN 2022



AMOS: (ABOVE AND ON COVER) Spent 756 days at the shelter, now adopted and living his best life locally.

MAPLE: (BELOW AND ON COVER) Found in labor in freezing temperatures and gave birth to 14 puppies (only 7 survived). Maple was also Heart Worm positive. The puppies went to a rescue in Pennsylvania, Maple followed after Heart Worm treatment. All are now in their forever homes.



JORDAN'S WAY FUNDRAISER: A surprise blessing of a fundraiser that came together in a matter of weeks out of the blue!



The Angel Tree at Lynchburg Veterinary Hospital is a way for supporters to donate items of need to FoA during the holidays.

as their charity for a spot in the race. This is one of the largest donations we get all year. When they finish their marathon, many bring food and supplies off our wish list to make their contributions even more special!

Our local Lynchburg Veterinary Hospital has helped Friends from the very beginning with discounts, fundraisers and again this year with their second business, Barking Pig Barbeque.

Fundraisers are second only to donations for FoA's diverse income stream. If we didn't do our fundraisers, we would not meet our yearly operating bud-



the proceeds of the Single Barrel Bottle sales.

A portion of the Oak Barrel Marathon runners choose Friends of Animals

Birthday, Anniversary and Memorial donations are made in honor of loved ones throughout the year. Memorial pet headstones are made by local Linda Ramsden and she donates her profits back to us.

The Robert and Jill Coon Foundation donate monthly to FoA.

FoA benefits from corporate giving programs that include Benevity, Kroger Rewards, Amazon Smiles, Facebook's Network for Good and local Duck River Electric. Metro Moore

County donated \$7,000 in 2022 to FoA to help defray the over \$12,000 used in our community S&N program.

get. They play a vital role in our operations as well as keeping the community involved with our mission.

**BOSTON BUTT FUNDRAISER- JANUARY**

**VALENTINE'S CHOCOLATE COVERED STRAWBERRY FUNDRAISER- FEBRUARY**  
(THE "DIPPING" CREW PICTURED ABOVE)

**SILENT AUCTION AT THE JD BBQ BOOTH- OCTOBER**

**JACK AND JASPER'S BOW WOW MEOW BOUTIQUE**  
(INSIDE THE PERFECT PICKER)

**DONATION JARS**  
(IN SEVERAL STORES DOWNTOWN LYNCHBURG)



The Fruehauf family presenting Brandi with a donation honoring Dave Fruehauf, a long time FoA supporter.



**CALLIE:** Adopted after spending 640 days in the shelter.

# VOLUNTEERS & FOSTERS

It hurts all of our hearts... we can't save them all, we can't even rescue them all. We have limited space and limited number of volunteers to care for them. So when puppy and kitten season starts... so does the increase in phone calls. An average of five to ten phone calls a day. Litters upon litters of rescuable animals, with no where to put them or enough people to care for them. We take as many as we can safely, sanely manage, but it never feels like enough.

One director and a small team of consistent volunteers make up the entire staff at Friends of Animals. Any day that the scheduled volunteer doesn't show up means that

Brandi has to feed the dogs and cats, clean the kennels as well as all the cat rooms by herself...

**BEFORE** she can return calls and work on all her other duties of vetting, adoption, transport, coordination of Community Spay and Neuters, TNR...

but without her dedicated volunteers and a handful

of fosters, her job would be impossible. Every bit of assistance is welcomed and appreciate, as well as an angel volunteer who bottle feeds abandoned kittens.

In 2022, we were blessed to add Missy Laws as a part-time employee to help Brandi with the overwhelming tasks she needs to attend to each day.



Several teen volunteers help at the shelter throughout the year to fulfill their Community Service hours.

Fostering with Friends of Animals can save so many more rescuable animals in the county. FoA pays for all food and vetting of these animals, but unfortunately at this time we only have two active fosters.

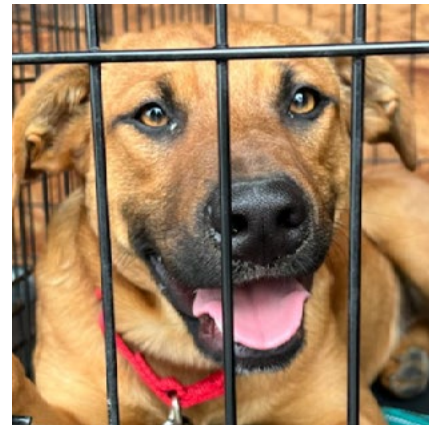
## **CHIP (NOW KNOWN AS VICTOR):**

(Above) Was found almost lifeless on the side of the road. After a long road of healing and TLC, he is now living his happiest life with one of our volunteers.

## **MAPLE'S PUPPIES:**

All seven went to a rescue in Pennsylvania and are now in their forever homes!





**HALLEY, APOLLO AND PLUTO:** Were found abandoned in the Pleasant Hill Methodist Church graveyard. We spent two weeks using live traps trying to catch them because they were so terrified and didn't trust anyone. Once caught, they were incredibly sweet! All are adopted.



Volunteers deep clean the outdoor kennels/play yard.

# SPAY & NEUTER PROGRAM



## EASTER:

A litter of three puppies dumped in the Ridgeville subdivision and three adult dogs dumped at Lost Creek boat ramp all on Easter. Puppies and one adult dog were adopted, the other two adult dogs went to rescues in New York and Canada.



This is Rescue Reality every Spring to early Summer, and sometimes again in the Fall. Multiple animals in the community are not being fixed and commonly roam, then it rains cats and dogs, or literally kittens and puppies. After nine years, it hasn't changed in Moore County and sometimes it feels worse.

Friends of Animals has been trying to resolve this issue for years.

In 2022, we continued our community spay/neuter program, "Penny's Promise. With the help of a grant from The Community Foundation of Middle Tennessee, we were able to mail postcards about our assistance program to all residents in our county. We created vouchers for 121 personal animals to be spayed/neutered and receive their Rabies vaccine.

This year we used the money from Metro Moore County to help fund the community S/N program. It is helping residents struggling with feral cat overpopulation and dumped dogs in their area.



**ESLICK ROAD PUPPIES:** A litter of seven puppies abandoned in a resident's barn. Her son heard them while waiting for the bus. Homeowner does not know where they came from and does not have any close neighbors.

# 45

TNR SPAY/NEUTERS



A few traps from our TNR program.  
45 total cats fixed through our TNR program...  
45 less litters (at a minimum)  
in Moore County.



## TNR

TNR: Trap. Neuter. Release.

In 2022 we continued our TNR program using six of the recommended premium traps used by other TNR programs. We started a separate account to keep grants and other funds from co-mingling with our FoA operations. This is a highly suggested practice, because with some grants, if you do not fulfill your objectives, the money must be returned. All of the Donation Jarmonies go in to this account.

Brandi has recorded 16 parts of the county that call regularly in regards to feral cat complaints. Last year, Brandi and some volunteers (who helped for a short time) targeted specific areas one at a time, starting with a neighborhood near downtown Lynchburg. The feral cats are fed in the designated area; traps were set; and caught cats were transported to a clinic to be tested, fixed, vaccinated, and ear tipped. It is no small task and more volunteers are needed to make this program a success. We also have a trap loan program for others to catch cats in their areas.



Circle Above: Lacey was found while we were trapping feral cats at a residence near Motlow. She was friendly and extremely malnourished. She was nursed back to health and was adopted locally.

Pictured above are 3 of 11 kittens brought in from a Winter litter. We were able to successfully TNR seven feral cats from the home they came from.

# RESCUE AND ADOPTIONS

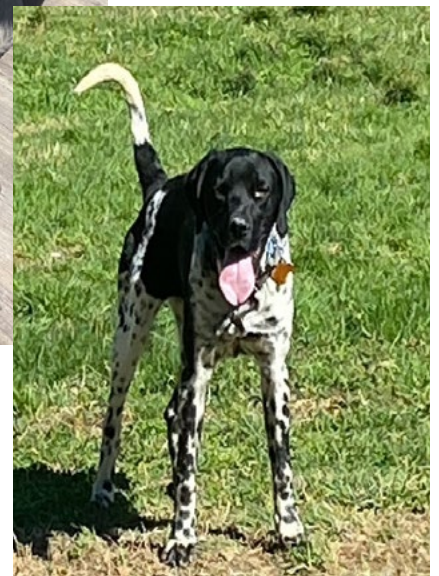


**TIMONE:** Was found almost lifeless on the side of the highway. He was VERY anemic due to a high volume of fleas and worms. He was nursed back to health and is living happily in his adopted home.

The heart of Friends of Animals is the rescue work we do. Saving animals from dire circumstances happens way too often and can drain a rescuer's soul. But saving them and seeing them adopted into the right family and situation can sustain us for weeks.

In 2022, we adopted out 84 animals. All FoA animals leave fully vetted, up to date on shots, microchipped and spayed or neutered. If the animal is too young, a voucher is sent with them for the service to be done at an appropriate age. The minimal adoption fee we charge does not pay for everything we do for the adopted animal.

In some instances, the animals we save require emergency surgery, expensive heartworm treatments or other vetting that is outside the norm.



**CHANCE (NOW OTIS):** Before and After Chance was found abandoned at the dam by visitors. He was emaciated but we had a wonderful local resident who fell in love, took him in, and worked with us on getting him back to good health. Otis is now living a happy life in the home with the same local who nursed him back to health.

**84**  
2022 ADOPTIONS

Because of the quantity of animals that come through our doors it is necessary to find homes for the animals outside of Moore County. In fact, a large amount are adopted out of state through PetFinder and other similar Apps.

Another solution is making use of Transports with other area rescues. There is more of a demand in northern states for dogs and cats because of the stricter animal laws regarding licensing and spay and neuter. In 2022, we partnered with other rescues and saved 79 more lives.

At the end of 2022, we still had 21 animals in our care...

# TRANSPORTS SAVE LIVES



**CASS:** A pregnant stray that showed up and give birth to a litter of seven at a residence. She went to a local rescue partner who added her and her babies to their transport.

**SAVANNAH:** A stray that showed up at a residence. Gave birth to a litter of seven one day after coming into the shelter. All went on a transport to a rescue in Wisconsin.

**79**  
TRANSPORTED TO  
RESCUE PARTNERS

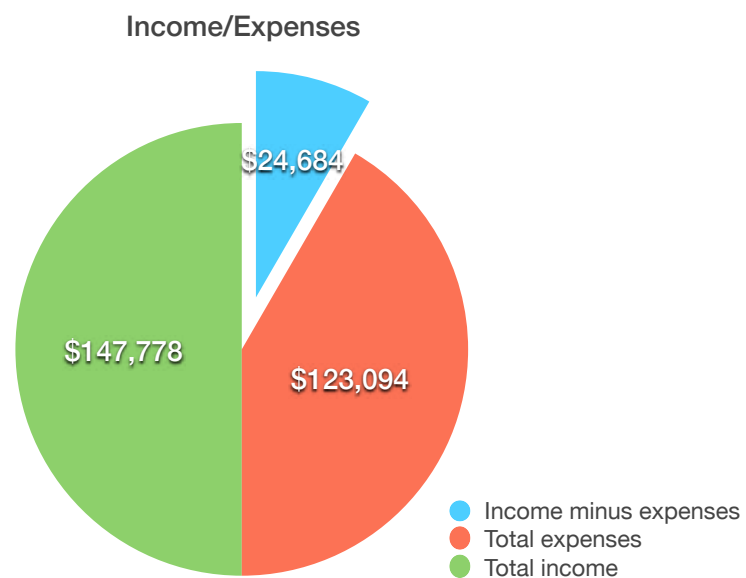
# FINANCIAL STATEMENTS

## 2022 Income and Expenses

REVENUE	
Donations	\$47,003
Adoptions	\$5,031
Fundraisers/T-Shirts	\$46,532
Transport	\$0
Jack Daniels/Metro Moore County	\$9,500
Perfect Picker Sales	\$3,917
Grants	\$0
Investments	\$395
Uncategorized Income	\$3,400
2021 Carryover	\$32,000
<b>TOTAL INCOME</b>	<b>\$147,778</b>

EXPENSES	
Administration Payroll	\$37,677
Contract Labor	\$11,425
Fuel, Maintenance, Transport	\$2,293
Phone/Internet	\$1,440
Veterinary	\$21,343
Community Spay/Neuter	\$12,156
Veterinary Supply	\$6,838
Food/Treats (We are using mostly donated food/treats)	\$683
Cleaning/Office/Postage/Property Maintc.	\$2,063
Kennel	\$3,483
Fundraiser Expenses	\$11,351
Picker Product	\$1,567
Taxes/Fees/Accounting	\$1,006
Outdoor Kennels Project 2021	\$72
Spay/Neuter Postcard	\$3,026
Insurance	\$5,176
Education/Training	\$1,495
<b>TOTAL EXPENSES</b>	<b>\$123,094</b>

MONEY LEFT OVER	
Income minus expenses	\$24,684



**Moore County Friends of Animals**  
**Profit & Loss**  
 January through December 2022

	<b>Jan - Dec 22</b>
Ordinary Income/Expense	
Income	
Direct Public Support	73,404.50
Fundraisers	42,758.26
Investments	10,488.04
Other Types of Income	305.55
Total Income	126,956.35
Gross Profit	126,956.35
Expense	
Grant Expense	3,026.12
Operations	125,712.51
Outdoor Kennels - 2021 Project	71.80
Total Expense	128,810.43
Net Ordinary Income	-1,854.08
Net Income	<b>-1,854.08</b>

**Moore County Friends of Animals**  
**Balance Sheet**  
 As of December 31, 2022

	<b>Dec 31, 22</b>
<b>ASSETS</b>	
Current Assets	
Checking/Savings	88,304.32
Other Current Assets	185,355.54
Total Current Assets	273,659.86
Fixed Assets	9,775.00
<b>TOTAL ASSETS</b>	<b>283,434.86</b>
<b>LIABILITIES &amp; EQUITY</b>	
Equity	283,434.86
<b>TOTAL LIABILITIES &amp; EQUITY</b>	<b>283,434.86</b>

## DIRECTORS AND OFFICERS

Brandi Blankenship  
*Director and President*  
Friends of Animals Rescue  
and Adoption Center

Melissa Laws  
*Secretary*

Robin Taylor  
*Treasurer*

## BOARD MEMBERS

Nell May  
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Jane Neal  
Barbara Patten  
Sharon Russell

## VOLUNTEERS

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Jodi and Duane Rush  
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Michelle Stubblefield  
Scott Ulm  
Lydia White  
Kaleigh Williams

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Rebecca Cooper  
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Richard & Kathleen Koomjian  
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Michael Maxfield  
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Wendy and Bryant Morton  
Keith & Sandra Moses  
Bob & Maria Mosely  
John Musso  
Jane Neal  
Barbara & Arthur Patten  
Dr John & Carol Petty  
Kay Petty  
Linda & Gil Ramsden  
Anthony Regalbutto  
Candy Richard

# WITHOUT THEIR SUPPORT...



Marie Lemire with two cartfuls of supplies from Woodard's for FOA!



MuMu patiently waiting for a home...



Our Kissing Booth at Spring in the Hollow helped get this guy adopted!

# THERE IS NO FRIENDS OF ANIMALS!

Darrel & Sherry Richards  
Dan & Jaimie Rifley  
Stephen & Linda Rogers  
Jacqueline Roy  
Kevin Sanders  
Faye Segars  
Andrew Smith  
William & Phyllis Smith  
Paul & Donna Steelman  
Chuck & Robin Taylor  
Frank & Karen Truex  
Harold & Deadra Tucker  
Scott Ulm  
Norman & Linda Varner  
James & Jacquelyn Wade  
Brenda Walker  
Hannah & Noel White  
Kayla White  
Thomas Wisnieski  
Marilind Wolfe  
Jason Womack

## BUSINESS AND CORPORATE SUPPORT

Amazon Smiles  
Barking Pig Barbeque  
Barrelhouse BBQ

Benevity  
Bissell Foundation  
Church Choir Squires  
Cowboy Jack's  
Robert and Jill Coon Foundation  
Jack Daniels Barrel Shop  
Jack Daniel Bottling  
Jack Daniel Distillery  
Jack Daniels Gift Committee  
Jack Daniels Hardware  
Jack Daniels Marketing Group (Louisville)  
Jackie's Gift Gallery  
IBIS (International Book Import Service)  
The Jack Daniels Squire Association  
Lynchburg Candle Co.  
Lynchburg Gifts & More  
Lynchburg Harley Davison  
Miss Mary Bobo's  
Kroger Rewards  
Senior Center Water Aerobics Class  
Southern Perks  
Sulley's  
Sunshine State Squires

Lynchburg Garage  
Lynchburg Gifts and More  
Lynchburg Historical Society  
Lynchburg Winery & American Distillers  
Lynchburg Veterinary Hospital  
Mach Ten Running Club  
MedWorks of Tullahoma  
Metro Moore County  
Metro Moore Fire and Rescue  
MJL Staging & Design  
Middle Tennessee Corvette Club  
Mulberry Cottage LLC  
Network for Good  
Oak Barrel Marathon Charity Spots  
The Honeybee Hive  
Tims Ford Powersports  
Tullahoma Auction  
Thelma and Louise  
The Perfect Picker  
Velma's  
Volunteer State Squires  
Whiskey Waffle

*We would like to especially thank everyone who dropped off food and supplies, supported our fundraisers, donated through PayPal and Facebook and followed us on Facebook and shared posts about the animals.*

*If we have inadvertently forgotten to list you here, we are so sorry, but know you are appreciated by all of us at Friends of Animals.*



Brandi and her crew in Doggie Jail at the Jordan's Way Fundraiser...



Some fun merch in our FOA Booth at The Perfect Picker on the Square in Lynchburg.



Kitties having some Halloween fun thanks to an awesome donation.



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