1,352 ANIMALS OF ALL SHAPES AND SIZES WERE ADOPTED INTO LOVING HOMES

29,457 HOURS WERE VOLUNTEERED TO HELP CARE FOR SHELTER PETS AND FURTHER LHS’S MISSION

403 HUMANE INVESTIGATIONS WERE CONDUCTED

Reflections
FROM MANDY OSBORNE
DIRECTOR OF DEVELOPMENT

Our mission touched the lives of countless pets and people, providing protection, love, connection, and support during a very trying time in 2021. Despite all the hurdles that Lake Humane faced due to the Covid-19 pandemic, we were able to continue our lifesaving programs thanks to the unwavering support of our compassionate donors, volunteers, fosters, and adopters. We are so proud of the work we accomplished in 2021 and are looking forward to a brighter 2022.

Building a Protection Team
CRUELTY PREVENTION PROJECT

Lake Humane provides protection to the animals of Lake County through our Humane Investigations (HI) Department. The LHS Agent, who is appointed by the Lake County Probate Court, works together with local law enforcement to investigate all reports of animal cruelty and neglect across the county.

In July 2021, LHS launched the “Cruelty Prevention Project” to raise $50,000 in critical funds for our HI Department, including a reliable vehicle, equipment and safety training. Thanks to generous donors, we surpassed our goal and donations have been hard at work making improvements to this Department.
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WHEN IT COMES TO THE SAFETY
AND WELFARE OF HUMANS AND
ANIMALS ALIKE.

Cassie Hatch
LHS Humane Agent

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ANIMALS WERE TRANSFERRED
TO LHS FROM RESCUE
PARTNERS IN NEED

241

9,780 POUNDS OF FOOD WERE
DISTRIBUTED
FROM AUGGIE’S PET FOOD PANTRY

780 LIFESAVING SURGERIES WERE
PERFORMED ON HOMELESS PETS

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CRUELTY PREVENTION PROJECT

A Subaru Forester was purchased for the Department. Our Humane Agent, Cassie Hatch, was beaming when she picked up the new vehicle. Agent Hatch shared, “Knowing we have a reliable vehicle that won’t break down relieves our minds! The road for these animals may be long, but we will travel it together, beginning with a safe journey and ending in a forever home.”

LHS’s Board of Directors approved the addition of a part-time Humane Agent to support Agent Hatch. LHS has welcomed Olivia Shears to the team as a Humane Agent In-Training. Olivia stated, “To speak for animals that need help and cannot speak for themselves is the most rewarding aspect of this job.”

The HI Department has also been utilizing funds from CPP to update their equipment and attend safety trainings. Most recently, Agent Hatch and Agent-In-Training Shears attended a comprehensive training to become authorized to carry pepper spray and a baton in the course of their duties.

Agent Hatch stated that reports have continued to steadily increase, and this trend will likely continue in 2022. Thanks to the new House Bill 33, veterinarians, social workers and therapists are now mandatory reporters of suspected animal cruelty and neglect. She remarked, “No report is too small when it comes to the safety and welfare of humans and animals alike. If you see something, please say something.”