



Border Paws
ANIMAL SHELTER

Annual Report 2023

*'Building relationships that bring
animals and people together'*





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Message from our Board of Directors

In 2023, Border Paws Animal Shelter saw major changes in the organization and in the plans for the future. Amidst the challenges that the world has faced, it is with great pleasure and immense pride that we announce a significant milestone in our journey: the successful transition into our new facility. This move marks a pivotal moment in the history of Border Paws, one that wouldn't have been possible without the unwavering support of each and every one of you.

In 2023, the overwhelming support from our community buoyed us through donations, saw unprecedented engagement in our Annual Jail and Bail Event, and ignited palpable enthusiasm for our new building project. Looking ahead to 2024, our focus remains steadfast on fostering educational initiatives, ensuring accountability and transparency, and enhancing community engagement. These endeavors aim to further enrich the lives of the animals under our care and bolster the services we offer to our community.

In addition to our donors and partners, we would be remiss not to acknowledge the dedication and commitment of our staff. Their tireless efforts and unwavering passion are the driving force behind our success. Day in and day out, they go above and beyond to ensure the well-being of the animals in our care and uphold the highest standards of service to our community. We are profoundly grateful for their continued dedication and commendable work ethic.

Furthermore, we extend our sincerest appreciation to our esteemed partners, including the City of Lloydminster, surrounding Rural Municipalities, our donors, staff, volunteers and fosters, whose collaborative efforts have been instrumental in making our vision a reality. Your commitment to animal welfare and your dedication to our cause have been nothing short of inspiring, and we are honored to stand alongside you in serving our community.

As we look to the future, we remain committed to our core values of compassion, integrity, and excellence. With your ongoing support, we are confident that Border Paws Animal Shelter will continue to thrive and make a positive impact in the lives of animals and people alike.

Thank you once again for your unwavering support and commitment to our cause. Together, we are building a brighter future for all.

Thank you,

Amanda Williams

Board President



Our vision
Our mission
Our values

Our Vision

To inspire compassion and respect for all animals in our community.

Our Mission

Through partnership and innovation, the Lloydminster and District SPCA is committed to building a community where animal welfare is a priority.

Our Values

Compassion

We strive to find compassionate solutions that benefit people as well as animals.

Responsibility

We are responsible guardians of animals under our care and stress the responsibility of humans to ensure animal welfare for all animals.

Stewardship

We are committed to responsible stewardship of donor funds and balance available resources.

Collaboration

We strive to promote positive and collaborative relationships with individuals and other organizations.

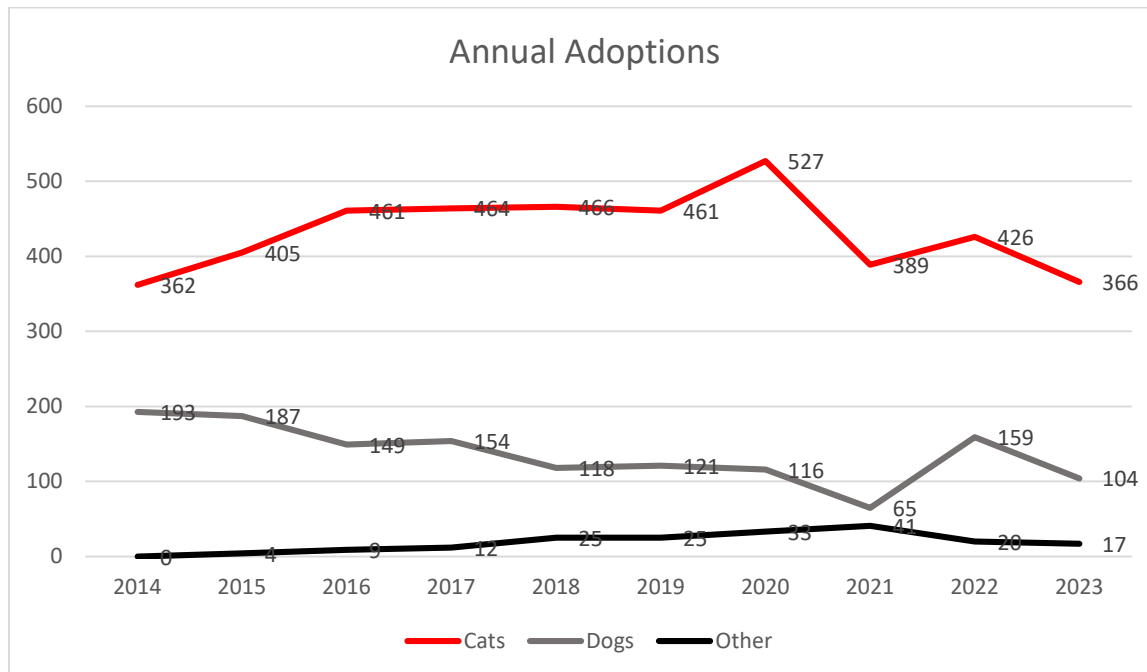
Adoptions

Throughout 2023, we housed and provided care to **708** companion animals, coming to our organization as strays, surrendered by owners, abandoned, or transferred from another animal welfare agency. **487** of these animals were successfully adopted out to new families during the past year. Other animals were either reclaimed by their owners, transferred to other shelters, or remain in our care.

By the Numbers, Adoptions:

366 Cats
104 Dogs
8 Rabbits
7 Rodents (Hamsters, Guinea Pigs)
2 Birds

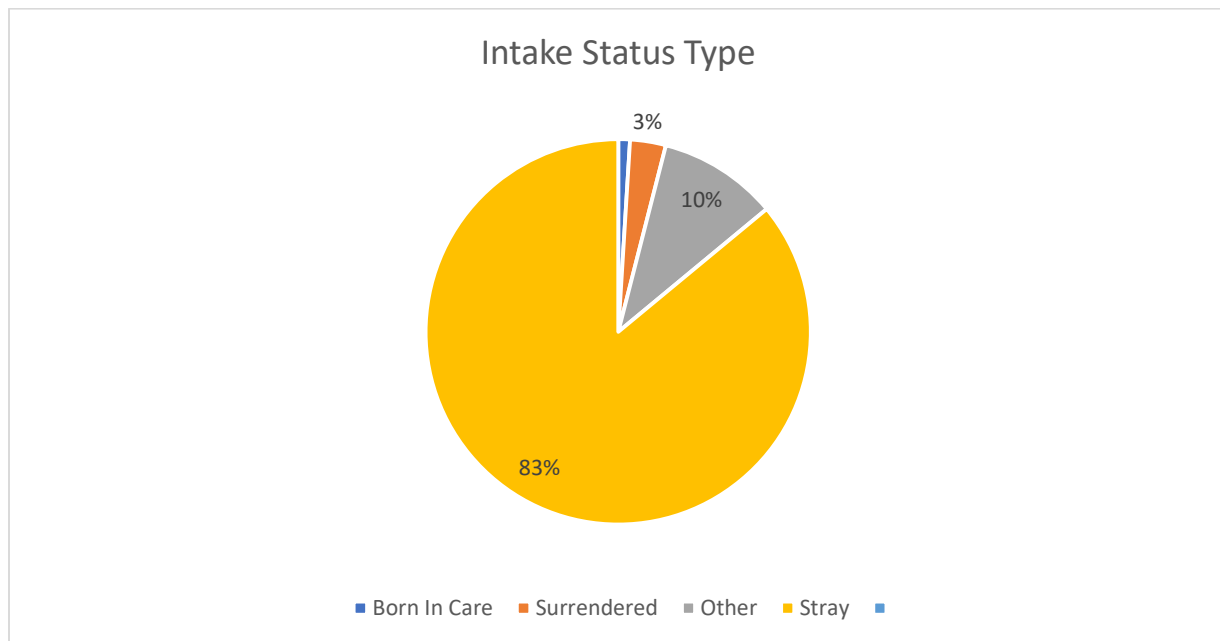
We are fortunate to have continued our valued partnerships through 2023 with several local businesses, including PetSmart, Puppy Luv Paradise, Pet Valu Lloydminster & Pet Valu Vermilion. These partnerships supported us by adopting out **115** of our animals, which accounted for **23%** of our adoptions this year.



Admissions

The overwhelming majority of animals who entered our care did so as strays, followed by owner surrenders as the second highest intake reason.

86% of the animals admitted in 2023 came into our facility as strays, this is a combination of animals brought in by the public and our partnership agreements, and **3%** of animals admitted to our care were surrendered by their owners.



Volunteer and Foster Program

Volunteers are essential to our organization, as they provide hours of enrichment, socialization, and exercise on top of basic needs for our shelter residents each week. They help with events, fundraisers and other operational needs required managing our shelter. With their ongoing support we continue to help companion animals throughout the years. We are grateful for so many dedicated volunteers, we appreciate everything they do.

THANK YOU!

Our dedicated base of volunteer foster parents provided homes to over **250** shelter animals throughout 2023. Orphaned litters of kittens, young puppies, cats with behaviour concerns who would benefit from additional attention and space, and sick/injured animals were all given the chance to thrive in one of our foster homes over the course of the last year.

Events

We had several events that helped contribute to our success over the past year.

Some notable events were our **Walk for Paws (raising over \$6,000)**, **Betty White Day, Slay the Night, Zumba in the Park, Streetfest, Howlween Fundraiser** hosted by the Mutt Hutt (raising over \$4,500), and the **Musgrave Home Trends Event**.

We held numerous raffles throughout the year, like our **St Patrick's Day Barrel of Booze, a Mother's Day bundle, a Father's Day Bundle, a Back-to-School Raffle, Christmas raffles, and our 50/50 Raffle that we sold at Ribfest**.

We had multiple BBQS and micro-chip events, sponsored by amazing businesses such as **Windsor Plywood, Lloyd Motor Club, Pet Planet, Vicon, and Kilted Customs**.

We sold tickets for the **Lloyd Mall Glitter Night, a comedy night**, as well as participating in a **Casino Night Fundraiser!** We held a **gift card fundraiser, accepted bottle donations** throughout the entire year, and we even held a **kitten naming contest** full of cuteness!

Lloydminster Motor Club raised **\$2,350** in cash and food donations from a BBQ at the Cars & Cats (&Dogs) car show. They also helped organize a 2024 Calendar as a fundraiser for us that continues to generate funds. **Rolling Green Fairways** donated to us from their Duelling Pianos fundraiser. Boundary Ford invited us as bartenders for their Christmas party, and **Edward Jones Financial Advisor: Judith Wagner** organized another Pet Portrait day in December as well.

Cenovus Cares regularly participated in our volunteer program, and we were grateful for their Volunteer Grant Program donations.

With a lot of excitement, we held our **Annual Jail & Bail** fundraising event in December, garnering the support of multiple community members and businesses in our area. This event raised over **\$45,000** towards our shelter, helping us continue to improve the lives of homeless and neglected animals in the Lloydminster area. We also brought back the ability to call and get your friends arrested which was very popular this year!

We are so grateful for each one of you, THANK YOU!

We are looking forward to 2024 and hope to be out in the community more. If you have an idea for a fundraiser opportunity with your organization, please reach out to us.

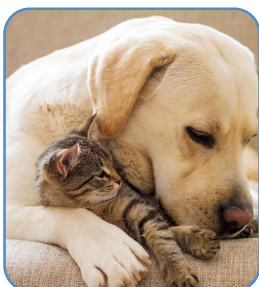
Join Us!



Become a Volunteer!

Volunteers are critical to the success of our shelter. Opportunities include animal socialization & enrichment, animal transport, fundraising & events, and more!

<https://lloydminsterspca.com/volunteer>



Become a Foster Parent!

Kittens with/without mom, puppies with/without mom, as well as cats and dogs with medical needs are always awaiting foster placement! Nothing compares to a home environment for an animal.

<https://lloydminsterspca.com/fosters>



Follow Us on Social Media!

Likes, Shares, and Comments help us to find animals their forever homes! We promise to fill your newsfeed with cuteness.

Facebook: Lloydminster & District SPCA

Instagram: @lloydspca

TikTok: @lloydspca



Visit the Shelter!

Our doors are open by appointment for adoptions, admissions, or to come by and give some snuggles to our shelter residents. We can be reached at (780) 875-2809 and would love to see you!



BORDER PAWS ANIMAL SHELTER SOCIETY

Annual General Meeting

April 9, 2024 at 6:30pm

Location: Border Paws Animal Shelter, 5206 63 St Lloydminster

- 1. Call to Order.**
- 2. Establish Quorum**
- 3. Welcoming of Members and Attendees.**
- 4. Introduction of Board of Directors and any Staff in Attendance.**
- 5. Amendments to Agenda dated April 9, 2024.**
- 6. Approval of Agenda dated April 9, 2024.**
- 7. Amendments to the Minutes dated March 30, 2023.**
- 8. Approval of Minutes dated March 30, 2023.**
- 9. Acceptance of the Auditors Report.**
- 10. Appointment of Auditors.**
- 11. Annual Report Review.**
- 12. Nominations for New Board Members to the Board of Directors**
- 13. Election of Current Board members**
- 14. Nominations for Board Executives.**
- 15. Questions or Commentary from Members.**
- 16. Adjournment**

BORDER PAWS ANIMAL SHELTER SOCIETY
2023 ANNUAL GENERAL MEETING MINUTES

Meeting Type: Annual General Meeting

Meeting Date: March 30, 2023 at 5:30pm

Meeting Location: Border Paws Animal Shelter, 5206 63 St Lloydminster

In Attendance:

Chelsie Green, President
Amanda Williams, Vice President
Amie Hein, Treasurer
Glenda Elkow, Director
Tammy Bell, Director
Janna Hay, Director
Kim Lider, Director

1. Call to Order.

The Regular Board Meeting was called to order at 5:30pm

2. Establish Quorum

Quorum was confirmed.

3. Welcoming of Members and Attendees.

All in attendance were welcomed to the meeting.

4. Introduction of Board of Directors and any Staff in Attendance.

Board Members and staff introduced themselves.

5. Amendments to Agenda dated March 30, 2023.

There were no amendments

6. Approval of Agenda dated March 30, 2023.

Motion:

That the Agenda dated March 30, 2023 be approved as amended.

Motion by: Tammy

Seconded by: Amie

CARRIED

7. Amendments to the Minutes dated May 26, 2022.

There were no amendments.

8. Approval of Minutes dated May 26, 2022.

Motion:

That the minutes dated May 26, 2022 be approved.

Motion by: Jana
Seconded by: Glenda
CARRIED

9. Acceptance of the Auditors Report.

The Auditor provided a brief overview of the Auditors Report and the change in our assets due to the purchase of a facility and ongoing renovations.

Motion:

That the Auditors Report be accepted as presented.

Motion by: Amie
Seconded by: Jana
CARRIED

10. Appointment of Auditors

The Board had previously appointed WLS through 2023, so no new appointment is necessary.

11. Annual Report Review

The President provided an overview of the Annual Report presented.

Motion:

That the Board approve the Annual Report as presented.

Motion by: Amie
Seconded by: Jana
CARRIED

12. Approval of Bylaws

The Vice-President provided an overview of changes to the Bylaws. No significant changes were noted. The bylaw changes reflect the number of board members allowed, number of board members needed to establish Quorum, and the addition of Credit Unions.

Motion:

That the Board approve the Bylaws as presented.

Motion by: Chelsie
Seconded by: Amie
CARRIED

13. Nominations for New Board Members to the Board of Directors

- a) No new board members were nominated.
- b) Chelsie announced her resignation from the Board.

14. Election of Current Board members

- a) Jana Hay, Carly Pollard, and Kim Lider were nominated for election onto the board.
- b) All current Board Members were elected to the Board of Directors.

Motion:

That all current Board Members be re-elected to the Board of Directors, and that the three new board members be elected to the Board of Directors.

Motion by: Chelsie

Seconded by: Amie

CARRIED

15. Nominations for Board Executives.

- a) Amanda Williams was nominated for President
- b) Glenda Elkow was nominated for Vice-President
- c) Amie Hein was nominated for Treasurer
- d) Tammy Bell was nominated for Secretary

Motion:

To accept the current nominations for Board Executives.

Motion by: Kim

Seconded by: Jana

CARRIED

16. Volunteer Recognition

A number of volunteers were presented each with a certificate and gift card in recognition of their outstanding service. A group plaque was presented as well for display in the shelter.

17. Questions or Commentary from Members.

There were no questions or comments.

18. Adjournment

Motion:

That this meeting be adjourned at 6:20pm

Motion by: Glenda

Seconded by: Tammy

CARRIED

BORDER PAWS ANIMAL SHELTER SOCIETY
Financial Statements
Year Ended December 31, 2023



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INDEPENDENT AUDITOR'S REPORT

To the Directors of Border Paws Animal Shelter Society

Qualified Opinion

We have audited the financial statements of Border Paws Animal Shelter Society (the Society), which comprise the statement of financial position as at December 31, 2023, and the statements of revenues and expenditures, changes in net assets and cash flows for the year then ended, and notes to the financial statements, including a summary of significant accounting policies.

In our opinion, except for the possible effects of the matter described in the *Basis for Qualified Opinion* section of our report, the accompanying financial statements present fairly, in all material respects, the financial position of the Society as at December 31, 2023, and the results of its operations and cash flows for the year then ended in accordance with Canadian accounting standards for not-for-profit organizations (ASNPO).

Basis for Qualified Opinion

In common with many not-for-profit organizations, the Society derives revenue from donations and fundraising, the completeness of which is not susceptible to satisfactory audit verification. Accordingly, verification of these revenues was limited to the amounts recorded in the records of the Society. Therefore, we were not able to determine whether any adjustments might be necessary to donation or fundraising revenue, excess of revenues over expenses, and cash flows from operations for the year ended December 31, 2023, current assets and net assets as at December 31, 2023.

We conducted our audit in accordance with Canadian generally accepted auditing standards. Our responsibilities under those standards are further described in the *Auditor's Responsibilities for the Audit of the Financial Statements* section of our report. We are independent of the Society in accordance with ethical requirements that are relevant to our audit of the financial statements in Canada, and we have fulfilled our other ethical responsibilities in accordance with these requirements. We believe that the audit evidence we have obtained is sufficient and appropriate to provide a basis for our qualified audit opinion.

Responsibilities of Management and Those Charged with Governance for the Financial Statements

Management is responsible for the preparation and fair presentation of the financial statements in accordance with ASNPO, and for such internal control as management determines is necessary to enable the preparation of financial statements that are free from material misstatement, whether due to fraud or error.

In preparing the financial statements, management is responsible for assessing the Society's ability to continue as a going concern, disclosing, as applicable, matters related to going concern and using the going concern basis of accounting unless management either intends to liquidate the Society or to cease operations, or has no realistic alternative but to do so.

Those charged with governance are responsible for overseeing the Society's financial reporting process.

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Auditor's Responsibilities for the Audit of the Financial Statements

Our objectives are to obtain reasonable assurance about whether the financial statements as a whole are free from material misstatement, whether due to fraud or error, and to issue an auditor's report that includes our opinion. Reasonable assurance is a high level of assurance, but is not a guarantee that an audit conducted in accordance with Canadian generally accepted auditing standards will always detect a material misstatement when it exists. Misstatements can arise from fraud or error and are considered material if, individually or in the aggregate, they could reasonably be expected to influence the economic decisions of users taken on the basis of these financial statements.

As part of an audit in accordance with Canadian generally accepted auditing standards, we exercise professional judgment and maintain professional skepticism throughout the audit. We also:

- Identify and assess the risks of material misstatement of the financial statements, whether due to fraud or error, design and perform audit procedures responsive to those risks, and obtain audit evidence that is sufficient and appropriate to provide a basis for our opinion. The risk of not detecting a material misstatement resulting from fraud is higher than for one resulting from error, as fraud may involve collusion, forgery, intentional omissions, misrepresentations, or the override of internal control.
- Obtain an understanding of internal control relevant to the audit in order to design audit procedures that are appropriate in the circumstances, but not for the purpose of expressing an opinion on the effectiveness of the Society's internal control.
- Evaluate the appropriateness of accounting policies used and the reasonableness of accounting estimates and related disclosures made by management.
- Conclude on the appropriateness of management's use of the going concern basis of accounting and, based on the audit evidence obtained, whether a material uncertainty exists related to events or conditions that may cast significant doubt on the Society's ability to continue as a going concern. If we conclude that a material uncertainty exists, we are required to draw attention in our auditor's report to the related disclosures in the financial statements or, if such disclosures are inadequate, to modify our opinion. Our conclusions are based on the audit evidence obtained up to the date of our auditor's report. However, future events or conditions may cause the Society to cease to continue as a going concern.
- Evaluate the overall presentation, structure and content of the financial statements, including the disclosures, and whether the financial statements represent the underlying transactions and events in a manner that achieves fair presentation.

We communicate with those charged with governance regarding, among other matters, the planned scope and timing of the audit and significant audit findings, including any significant deficiencies in internal control that we identify during our audit.

Lloydminster, Alberta
April 9, 2024

WLS LLP

Chartered Professional Accountants

BORDER PAWS ANIMAL SHELTER SOCIETY**Statement of Financial Position****December 31, 2023**

	2023	2022
ASSETS		
Current		
Cash	\$ 80,238	\$ 233,172
Accounts receivable	45,937	50,574
Goods and services tax recoverable	21,797	18,086
Prepaid expenses	365,772	11,495
	<u>513,744</u>	<u>313,327</u>
Investments (Note 4)	88,153	58,336
Capital assets (Note 5)	1,316,173	950,730
	<u>1,404,326</u>	<u>1,009,066</u>
	<u>\$ 1,918,070</u>	<u>\$ 1,322,393</u>
LIABILITIES AND NET ASSETS		
Current		
Accounts payable and accrued liabilities	\$ 43,684	\$ 41,180
Current portion of loans payable (Note 7)	11,866	11,449
Deferred revenue	15,000	2,771
	<u>70,550</u>	<u>55,400</u>
Deferred capital contributions (Note 6)	783,581	194,718
Loans payable (Note 7)	278,708	290,575
	<u>1,062,289</u>	<u>485,293</u>
	<u>1,132,839</u>	<u>540,693</u>
Net Assets		
General fund	543,213	327,712
Invested in capital assets	242,018	453,988
	<u>785,231</u>	<u>781,700</u>
	<u>\$ 1,918,070</u>	<u>\$ 1,322,393</u>

ON BEHALF OF THE BOARD_____
*Director*_____
Director

BORDER PAWS ANIMAL SHELTER SOCIETY
Statement of Revenues and Expenditures
Year Ended December 31, 2023

	2023	2022
Revenue		
Adoptions	\$ 88,393	\$ 107,135
Donations	214,548	243,138
	6,785	5,780
Fines and licenses	89,335	81,312
Fundraising		
	92,551	79,457
Grants	14,591	2,800
Interest income		
	350	445
Memberships	90	191
Merchandise sales and rentals		
	77,450	66,175
Poundkeeper contracts	23,674	18,998
Sponsorship		
	607,767	605,431
	667,666	591,699
Expenses (Schedule 1)		
Excess (deficiency) of revenue over expenses from operations	(59,899)	13,732
Other income		
Loss on disposal of capital assets	-	(7,321)
Government subsidies - COVID-19 relief	-	1,678
	30,163	31,664
Lease revenue	33,267	838
Realized capital contributions	-	(34,876)
Unrealized gain (loss) on investments		
	63,430	(8,017)
EXCESS OF REVENUE OVER EXPENSES	\$ 3,531	\$ 5,715

BORDER PAWS ANIMAL SHELTER SOCIETY**Statement of Changes in Net Assets****Year Ended December 31, 2023**

	General Fund	Invested in Capital Assets	2023	2022
Net assets - beginning of year	\$ 327,712	\$ 453,988	\$ 781,700	\$ 775,985
Purchase of capital assets	(411,897)	411,897	-	-
Repayment of loan payable	(11,450)	11,450	-	-
Capital donations received	622,130	(622,130)	-	-
Excess (deficiency) of revenue over expenses	16,718	(13,187)	3,531	5,715
Net assets - end of year	\$ 543,213	\$ 242,018	\$ 785,231	\$ 781,700

BORDER PAWS ANIMAL SHELTER SOCIETY**Statement of Cash Flows****Year Ended December 31, 2023**

	2023	2022
Operating activities		
Cash received from donations and fundraising	\$ 315,084	\$ 314,604
Cash received from adoptions and merchandise sales	95,618	119,647
Cash received from grants	851,633	329,559
Cash received from government subsidies	-	1,678
Cash paid to suppliers and organizations	(673,651)	(367,673)
Cash paid for salaries and benefits	(290,348)	(226,765)
Interest received	14,591	2,800
Interest paid	(12,697)	(13,818)
	<u>300,230</u>	<u>160,032</u>
Cash flow from operating activities		
Investing activities		
Purchase of capital assets	(411,897)	(489,156)
Net (increase) decrease in investments	(29,817)	349,547
	<u>(441,714)</u>	<u>(139,609)</u>
Cash flow used by investing activities		
Financing activity		
Repayment of loan payable	(11,450)	(51,104)
	<u>(152,934)</u>	<u>(30,681)</u>
Decrease in cash flow	<u>233,172</u>	<u>263,853</u>
Cash - beginning of year		
Cash - end of year	<u>\$ 80,238</u>	<u>\$ 233,172</u>

BORDER PAWS ANIMAL SHELTER SOCIETY**Expenses****(Schedule 1)****Year Ended December 31, 2023**

	2023	2022
Advertising and promotion	\$ 3,158	\$ 5,455
Amortization	46,454	4,901
Bad debts	8,302	4,698
Fundraising	15,098	1,725
GST expense	6,790	6,973
Insurance	9,461	16,966
Interest and bank charges	2,073	2,850
Interest on long term debt	10,626	10,971
Licenses, memberships and fees	192	306
Postage and office supplies	4,662	5,479
Professional fees	35,220	27,561
Rent	6,250	7,500
Repairs and maintenance - premises	23,260	13,347
Salaries and benefits	294,552	230,179
Security	419	411
Supplies and small tools	35,236	45,127
Taxes	-	2,935
Telephone	689	2,285
Training	318	-
Travel and meals	242	148
Utilities	20,936	26,385
Vehicle	6,414	5,251
Veterinary fees - shelter treatment	62,171	79,879
Veterinary fees - spay and neuter program	75,143	90,367
	\$ 667,666	\$ 591,699