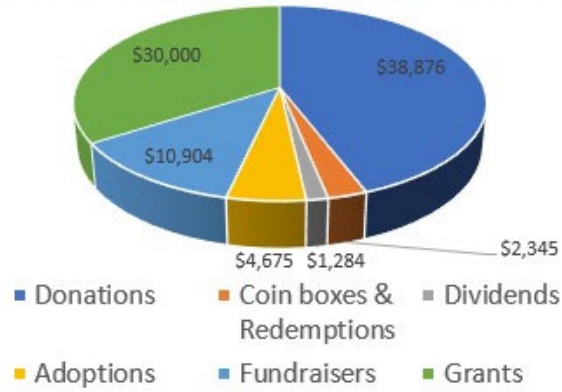
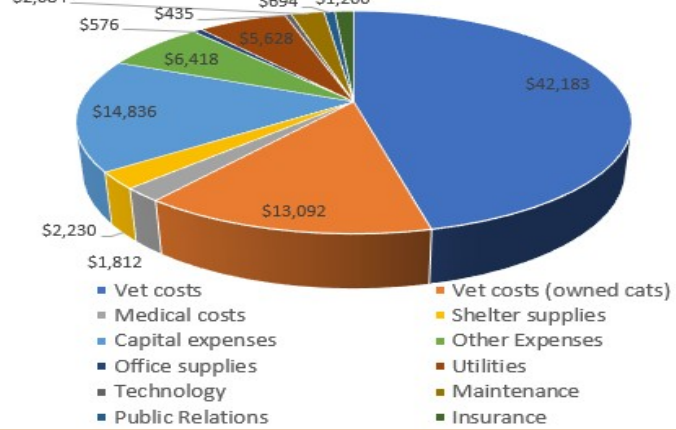


**PAWS Total Revenue for 2025= \$88,084**



**PAWS Total Expenses for 2025 = \$91,188**



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**PAWS helped the following homeless cats in 2025:**

**SHELTER ACTIVITY:**

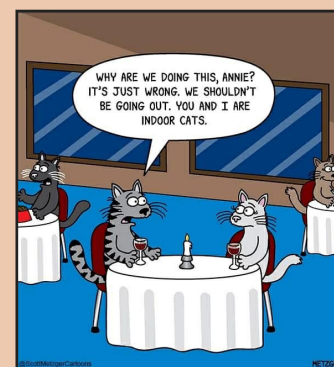
- At shelter as of Jan. 1, 2025– 11
- In foster care - 5
- Cats taken into shelter - 97
- Spayed/neutered - 38
- Extra medical care (x-rays, dentistry, etc.) - 42
- Adopted - 58
- Transferred to other shelters - 17
- Returned to owner - 6
- Euthanized - 3
- Died - 1
- At shelter as of Dec. 31, 2025 - 11
- In foster care - 7

**CATS CAME FROM:**

- |                 |                 |
|-----------------|-----------------|
| Caribou - 1     | Perham - 2      |
| Cross Lake - 1  | Portage - 1     |
| Eagle Lake - 3  | St. Agatha - 2  |
| Fort Kent - 25  | St. David - 2   |
| Frenchville - 7 | St. Francis - 4 |
| Madawaska - 40  | St. John - 1    |
|                 | Van Buren - 5   |

**SUPPORT OF OWNED CATS:**

- # of cats s/n through PAWS S/N program - 111
- # of cats s/n directly from PAWS - 38
- # of cat owners that received financial assistance from PAWS for emergency medical care – 10



2025 Favorites

**2025 in Review...**

Behind every adoption is a story — a frightened cat who learned to trust again, a family who opened their hearts, and a dedicated team of volunteers who made it all possible. In 2025, PAWS Animal Welfare Society connected 58 cats with the loving forever homes they deserved, each one a testament to what compassion can accomplish. To the cats in our care, the world is simple — a warm bed, a full bowl, a kind voice. They don't know what it takes to provide those things. But we do, and we are forever grateful. Behind every one of those simple gifts is a community that shows up, gives generously, and never stops believing these lives are worth saving.

Our reach has never been defined by a single town. From Madawaska to Allagash, Van Buren to Frenchville, we proudly serve 21 surrounding communities — showing up for cats in need across 92 miles of rural Maine because every life matters, no matter where it begins. None of this happens without you. Every donation, every raffle ticket, every bottle returned is an act of love that echoes through the lives of these cats. We are endlessly grateful — and so are they.

**Bringing Joy & Educating Our Youth**

One of the most heartwarming endeavors of 2025 has been bringing our shelter cats to visit the patients at Forest Hill Manor. The smiles and pure joy on the faces of the residents as they hold, pet, and connect with our cats is something truly special — a beautiful reminder of the healing power of animals. We were also thrilled to host a group of Girl Scouts at our shelter for an educational visit focused on responsible pet care and compassion. Their curiosity and enthusiasm were infectious, and we hope to be nurturing a lifelong love of animals and the responsibility that comes with it. Investing in our youth today builds a more humane community for tomorrow.

**Every Dollar Has a Face — and Whiskers**

Your generosity takes many forms, and every one of them matters. Our Monthly Giving Program provides a steady, reliable foundation that allows us to plan ahead and never have to choose between a cat's needs and our budget. Our Chewy and Amazon Wishlists send exactly what our cats need straight to our door. Our "Paws for Thought" donation boxes collected \$2,147.45 in 2025 — proof that spare change adds up to something extraordinary. And through our bottle redemption program, every returned empty tells a cat in need: someone cared — and in 2025, that care added up to \$197.52.

**The Power of Community & Looking Ahead**

In 2025, our monthly Fur The Love of Cats raffle raised an incredible \$10,904, and our special raffles — featuring handcrafted quilts and other donated items — raised an additional \$679. In May, thanks to a generous \$15,000 grant from the Elmina B. Sewall Foundation, we replaced our aging kennels, giving every cat who comes through our doors a better quality of life. We also proudly joined the Maine Humane Pet Food Partnership, receiving free food and supplies several times a year — stretching our resources further for the cats who need us most.

**FELINE FIX**  
by FIVE MONTHS..

**it saves lives**

Spay/neuter clinics available to low income households. Call (207) 231-4527 for more information.

**Maine Coon Cats**  
6 ways they differ from other cats

- they are much bigger and heavier than other cats, solid not fatter - 15-25 or 30 lbs.
- they have tufted and huge paws which evolved to help them walk on snow
- they love water and will seek it out and play in it
- they chirp and trill like a bird vs. meow
- they act more like a dog than a cat - they are more loyal, social and eager to be with people
- they have 3 layers of long fur that is very thick and requires regular grooming

**DONATIONS & MEMBERSHIPS WELCOMED!!!**

Each year PAWS spends approximately \$50,000 to maintain its current service. Through fundraising and donations, we are able to continue helping homeless and owned cats. Please help us out by using the following coupon or donating through PayPal on our website: <http://www.ourvalleypaws.org>

Complete this form to make a donation or to become a member of PAWS. Members will have the right to vote at our annual meetings in May. Also, members will receive a membership card via regular mail.

Any donations are tax deductible.

Donation and/or  Membership [  Lifetime \$150  Family \$25  Student/Senior \$10  Single \$15 ]

NAME: \_\_\_\_\_

ADDRESS: \_\_\_\_\_

EMAIL: \_\_\_\_\_ DONATION AMOUNT: \_\_\_\_\_

Make check out to PAWS and mail to:  
PAWS Animal Welfare Society, Inc.. PO Box 94, Fort Kent Mills, ME 04744

**THANK YOU VERY MUCH!**

