

2020

# Annual Report

**WAG AGAIN RESCUE**



Wag Again Rescue  
Pearland, TX

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## **Overview**

**Wag Again was founded in 2019 with the intention of saving as many dogs as possible in the Houston area.**

**Since our inception in May of 2019, WAR has saved over 400 dogs and adopted out just under 350 dogs to their furever families.**

**WAR pulls its dog's primarily from the Harris County Pet Resource Center.**



## **Mission Statement**

**Wag Again is a 501(c)(3) foster based rescue group dedicated to helping the neediest dogs in our community through adoptions, low cost spay and neuters, low cost vaccinations, and education.**

## **Philosophy**

**Our philosophy is that through the building of strong relationships with our community, our fellow rescues, animal medical professionals, county animal welfare programs, and others, we can work together to bring a better quality of life to the dogs in Houston, Harris County and throughout Texas.**



**Board President, Amy Stroud, speaking at the opening of the new Harris County Pet Resource Center**

## **Beliefs**

**It is the belief of Wag Again Rescue that through community education, training, and adoption, with the mind set that all dogs are good dogs, we can end the abuse and overpopulation in the greater Harris County area.**

# Wag Again Rescue

## Code of Ethics

### I.

#### HONESTY

Communicate consistently, truthfully and with integrity inside and outside of the organization.

Accept responsibility for our actions.

Provide honest and accurate information regarding rescue policies, procedures and programs like fund raising, fund allocation and the disposition of animals.

### II.

#### RESPECT

Treat all living creatures with respect and dignity.

Create an open environment which encourages and solicits input from all stakeholders.

Recognize the value of each individual or group.

Acknowledge socio-economic, cultural, ethnic and philosophical differences.

Advocate and model respectful behavior through individual and organizational example.

### III.

#### RESPONSIBILITY

Apply all applicable laws impartially with organizational guidelines.

Provide humane treatment and care for animals.

Seek ways to improve the operation and delivery of services. Pursue excellence.

Share information and seek input from, educate, and cooperate with others.

### IV.

#### BE FAIR and JUST

Use good judgment instead of being judgmental.

Listen to and consider opposing viewpoints.

Make informed decisions without personal bias.

Apply consistent principles in decision-making while allowing for flexibility.

### V.

#### CARING and COMPASSION

Strive to provide for the physical and psychological needs of people and animals.

Encourage and support board and staff development.

Provide a humane and dignified death for animals using recommended and approved methods.

Extend the principles of caring and compassion to the public.

Provide a supportive environment in which to deal with issues of euthanasia and grief.

### VI.

#### CITIZENSHIP

Represent the organization in a professional manner.

Strive to promote positive and collaborative relationships with other agencies, organizations, and individuals.



Wag Again Family,

What can we say, 2020 has been quite the trip. Started off with a bang and then BOOM, COVID-19. However, despite the wrench in the gears that COVID threw us and continues to throw us, we persevered.

Now, when we say, “WE persevered,” we mean you persevered. In the midst of a global pandemic, you, our amazing supporters never gave up. Not only did you care for your fellow man, you believed in something bigger than yourselves and helped us save 321 dogs this year. Of those 321 dogs, 88 were medical rescues, and 250 made it to their loving furever homes.

Rescue is a team effort, with no part of the team being more important than the other. This year we have worked with shelters, fosters, volunteers, other rescues, veterinary offices, municipalities, law enforcement, and county District Attorney offices to bring a better quality of life to the dogs of the southeast Texas area. 2021 will be no different as we expand our effort to work with more local municipalities to help save more pups. This work has secured two felony animal indictments and reform within government offices.

While already in operation, we have recently received a grant from Houston PetSet to further fund our “To The Rescue” program, which we will expand throughout 2021. This program will align with the various shelter diversion programs out there. We feel that dogs belong in loving homes, not surrendered for preventable reasons, especially as we are recovering from the economic downturn from COVID-19.

Thank you, as always, for your love and support. We truly couldn't do this without you!

*A strong team can take any crazy vision and turn it into reality. – John Carmack*

Sincerely,

Two handwritten signatures are shown. The first signature is in cursive and appears to be 'Ann Utter'. The second signature is also in cursive and appears to be 'Nettie Sappington'. The signatures are written in black ink.

# **Board of Directors**

## **Board President**

**Amy Stroud**

## **Board Vice President**

**Nettie Sappington**

## **Board Secretary**

**Donna Watson**

# **Leadership**

## **Executive Director**

**Greg Stroud**

## **Director of Rescue Operations**

**Amy Stroud**

## **Foster Coordinators**

**Donna Watson**

**Nettie Sappington**

## **Adoption Coordinators**

**Lindsey Elder**

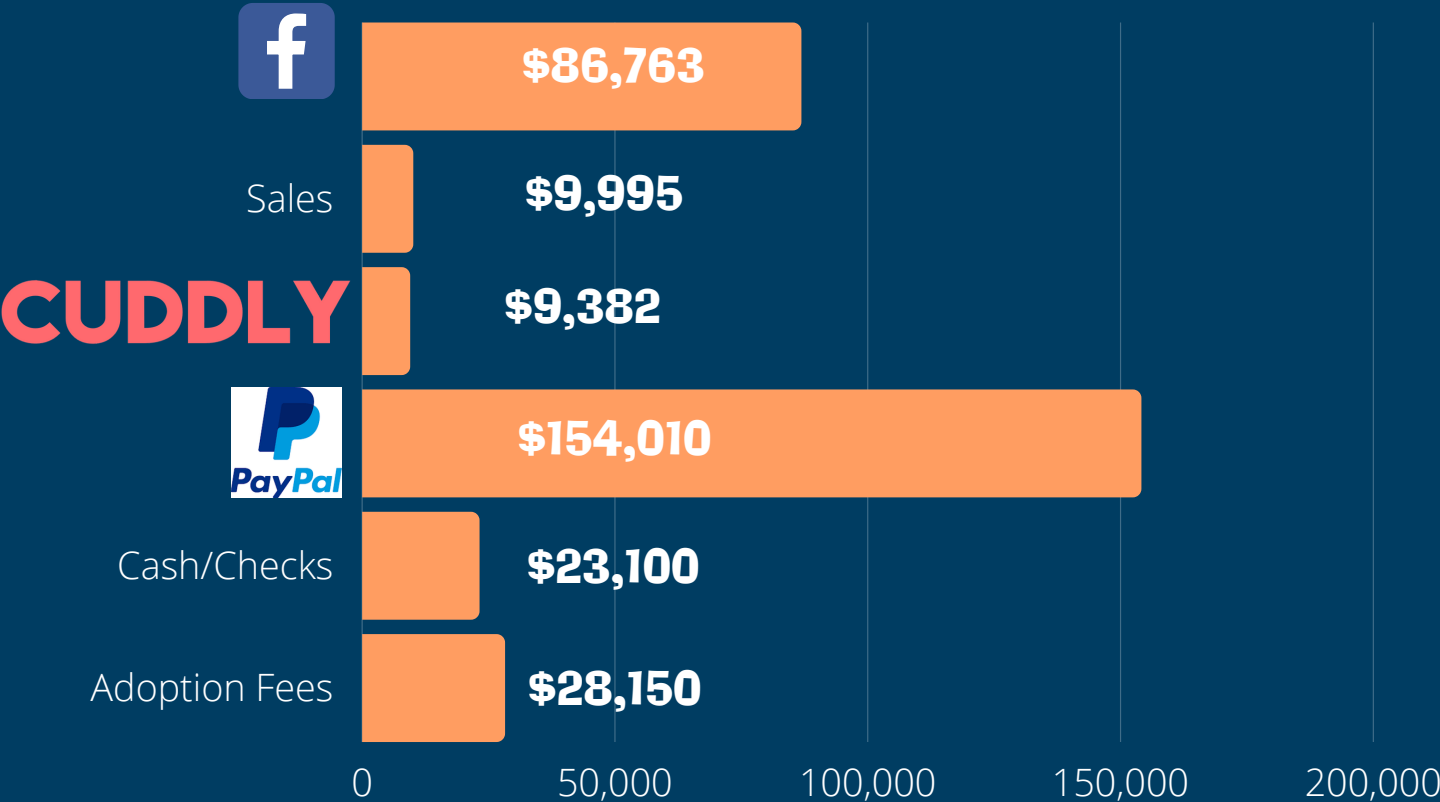
**Kara LaVictoire**



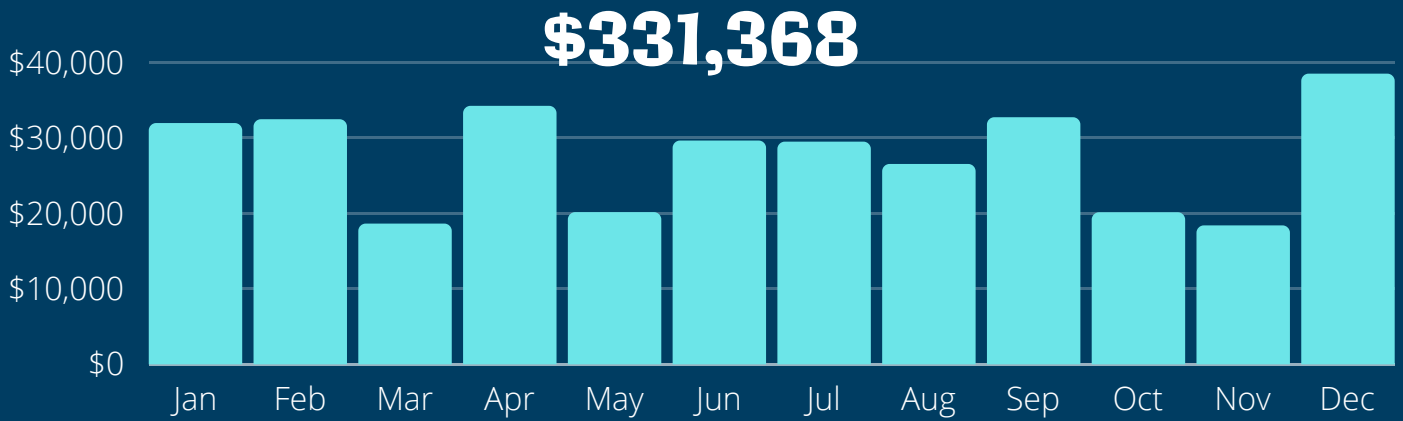
# 2020 Finances



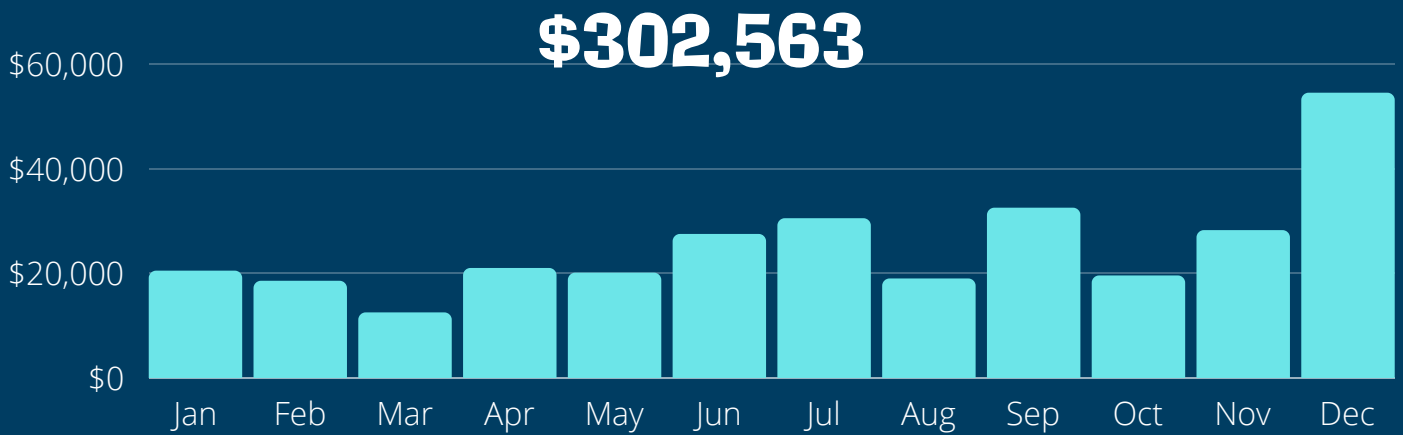
# Revenue Sources



# Gross Profit

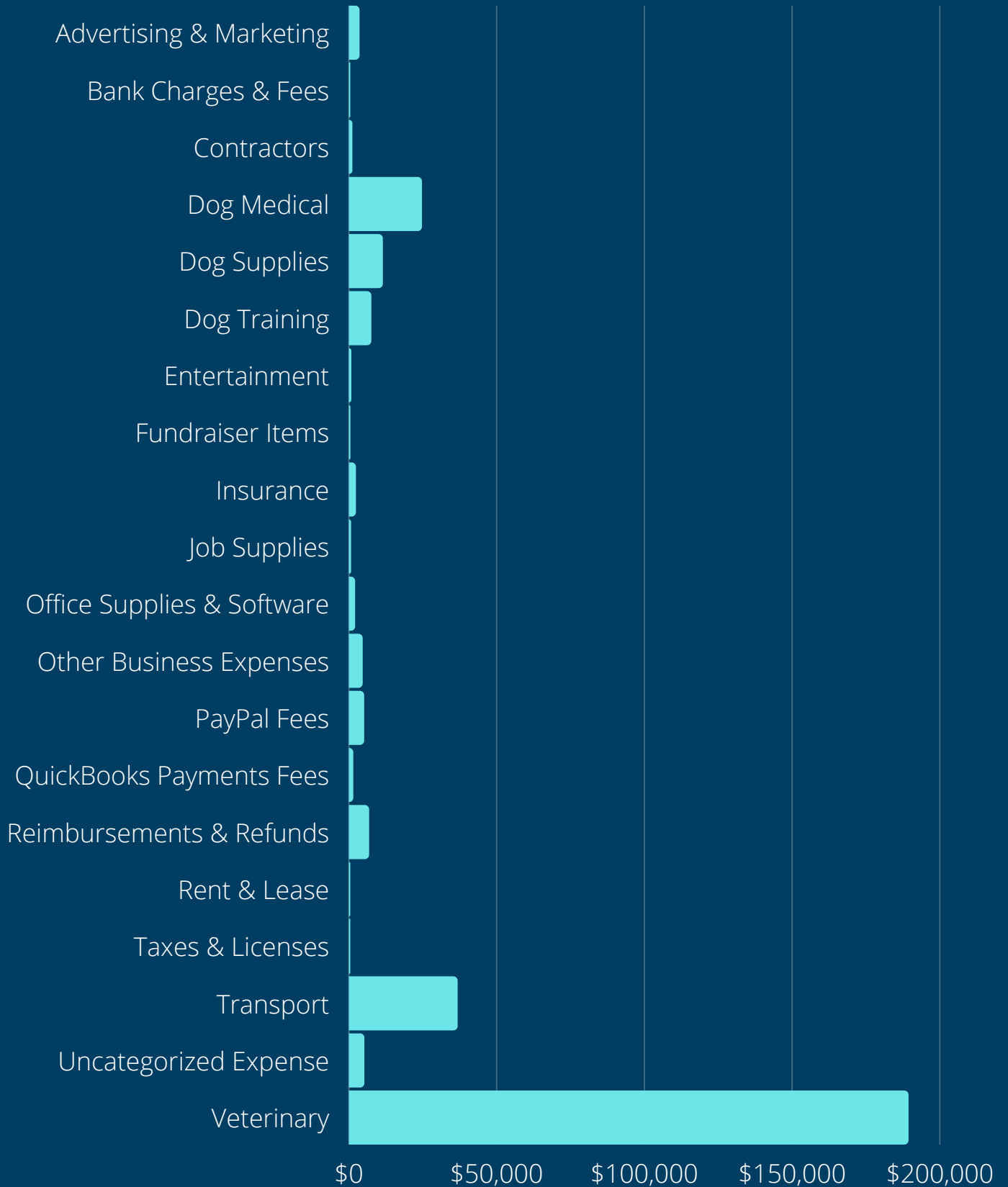


# Total Expenditures





# Expenditures by Category



# 2020 Outcomes

**BEGINNING RESCUE COUNT - 73  
INTAKE**

**BARC- 4**

**Chambers County Animal Shelter- 1**

**Conroe Animal Shelter - 1**

**Ft Bend Animal Services- 6**

**Harris County Animal Shelter - 181**

**Legget Holding Pen- 12**

**Owner Surrender - 33**

**Rescue Transfer - 4**

**Street Rescue - 10**

**TOTAL INTAKE - 252**

**MEDICAL INTAKE - 92**

## **Outcomes**

**ADOPTIONS - 250**

**TRANSFER OUT - 0**

**EUTHANIZED - 0**

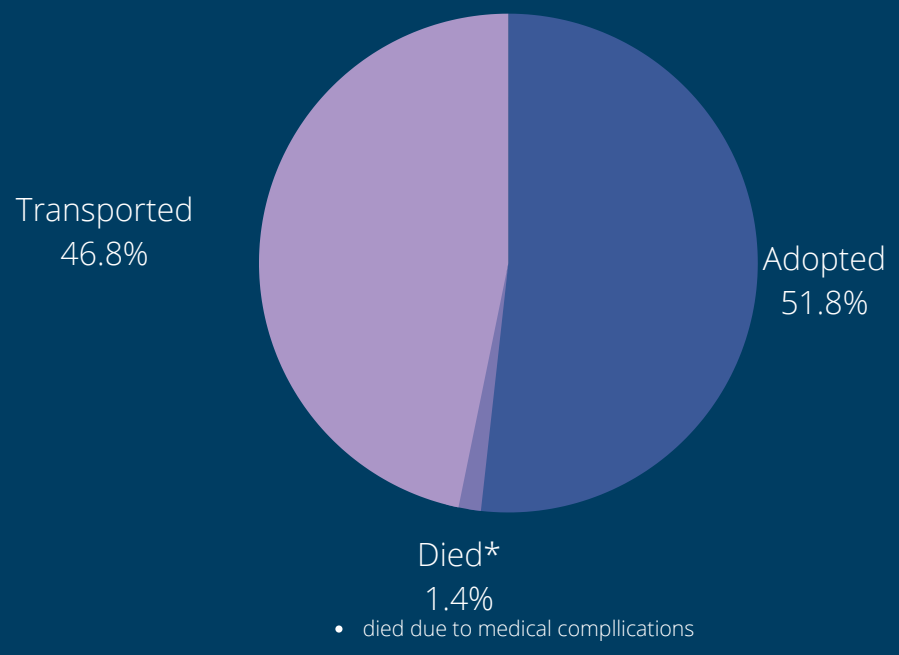
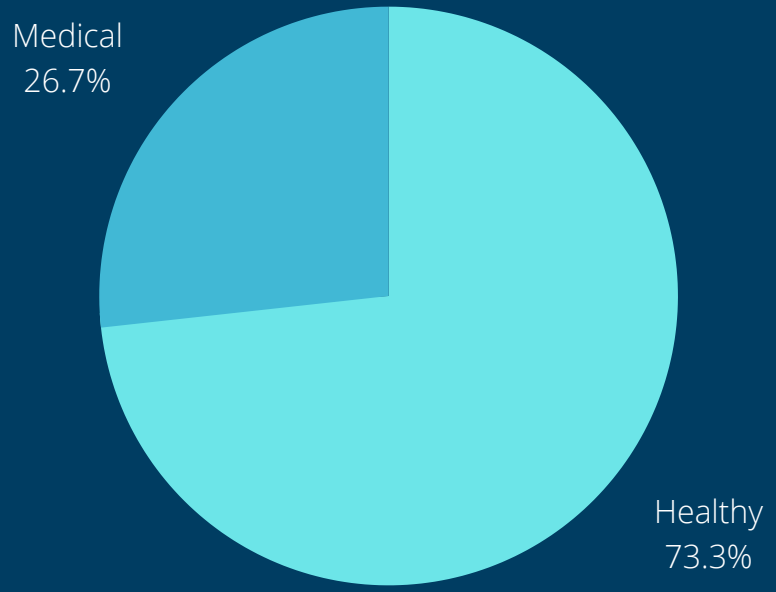
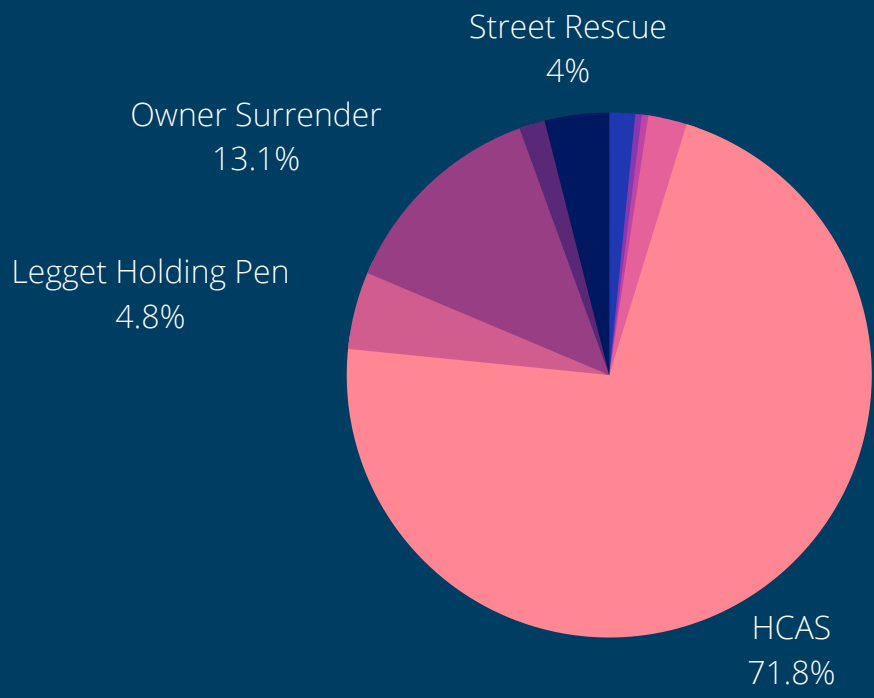
**DIED OR LOST IN CARE - 7**

**TOTAL OUTCOMES - 250**

**TRANSPORTS - 226**

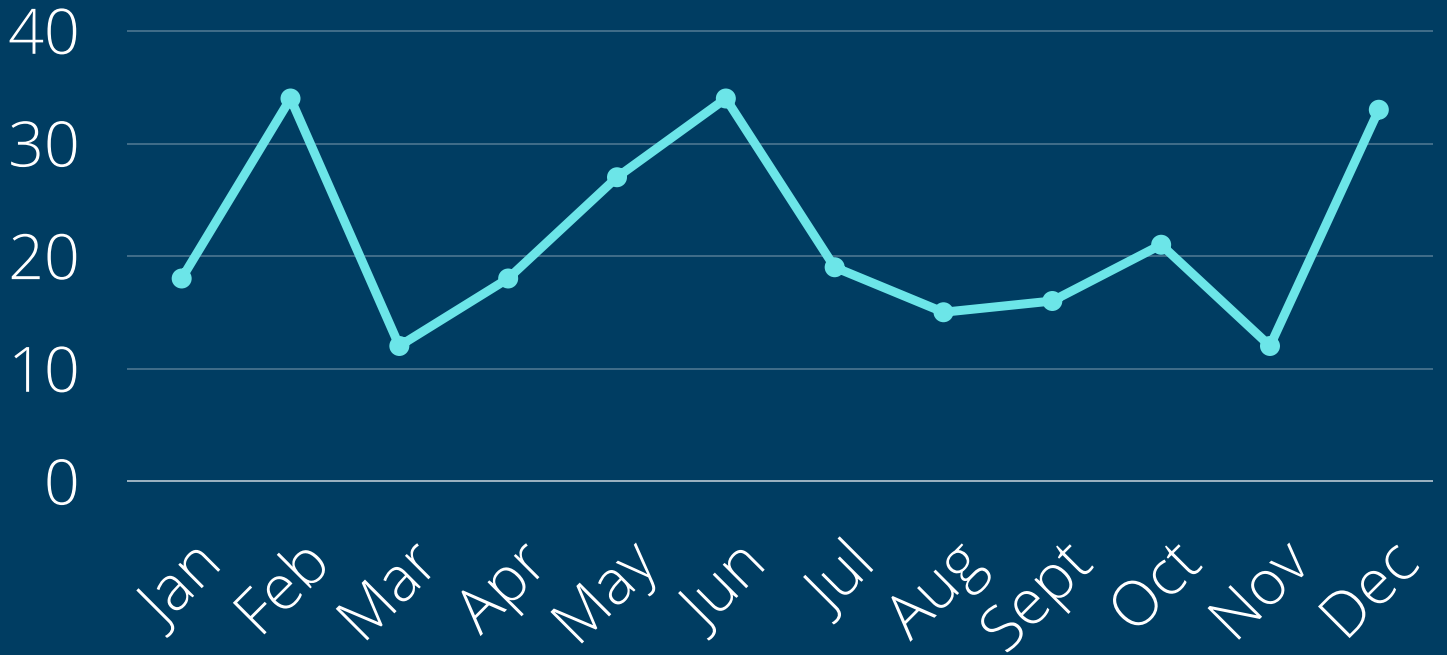
**ENDING RESCUE COUNT - 71**





• died due to medical complications

# 2020 Adoptions



**250 dogs  
adopted in  
2020**



# Community Involvement

## Speaker at Harris County Pet Resource Center grand opening



**Low Cost Vaccine Clinics- 1**  
**Low Cost Vaccines Given- 10**  
**Free Microchips- 20**  
**Free Spay/Neuters- 5**  
**Shelter Interdiction Program- 3**



# Dogs in Therapy

As part of our mission to give dogs the best life possible, WAR puts most of its dogs with orthopedic and nerve injuries through an evaluation with a rehab vet.



## Goals

- At least an evaluation for dogs with orthopedic or nerve injuries
- Improve quality of life for injured dogs post surgery and treatment
- Gain a better understanding of physical therapy for dogs

# Winter Barkest 2020

WAG AGAIN RESCUE  
WINTER  
BARKFEST  
VALLENSONS  
BREWING CO.  
December 12th, 2020

Music by  Free Microchip Clinic sponsored by  Food by 



# Animal Welfare

**Became an Ambassador for  
the Harris County Animal  
Cruelty Task Force**



**Two felony indictments for Cruelty to  
Non-Livestock Animal**

**Clarence  
shot in the face twice**



**Charlie  
Jaw broke with baseball bat**





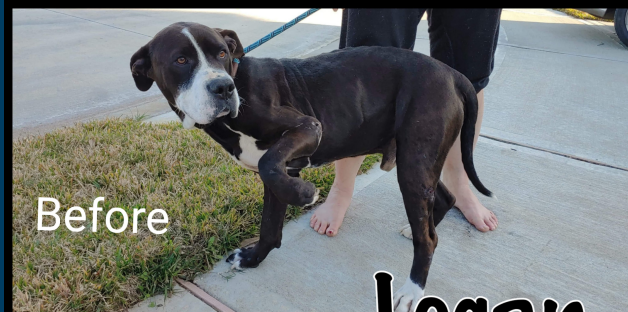
# 2020 Initiatives

- **Expand community partnerships**
- **Expand out the To The Rescue Program**
- **Brick and Mortar Low Cost Vaccine Clinic**
- **Social-distanced behavior and training classes**





Romeo



Before

Logan



After



Sugar



Carley



Marley



Morty



Owen



Cooper



Charlie



We would like to thank...

The  
**WAG AGAIN**  
Family



**NEIGHBORHOOD**  
Veterinary Centers



**Harris County Pets**



**Chambers County**  
**Animal Shelter**



**Conroe Animal Shelter**



**Pearland Animal**  
**Services**