

FY2022 Buncombe County Strategic Partnership Grant Report

Organization Name:	Asheville Humane Society	
Project Name:	People and Their Pets Thriving Together	
Reporting Quarter: (Check one)		Quarter 1 (July 1, 2021 - September 30, 2021)
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		Quarter 4 (April 1, 2022 - June 30, 2022)

Narrative summary of grant related activities

Please provide brief responses that fit within the box provided

Overall project updates:	<p>Thanks to the generous funding provided by the Buncombe County Strategic Partnership grant, Asheville Humane Society's Community Solutions team were able to provide financial assistance and support for 28 Buncombe County pets in need of veterinary and wellness care. \$3,785.71 was expended this quarter. All vet expenses did not exceed \$150 per visit as we recently received a donation to assist with vet expenses that exceed \$150 per visit. The average cost this quarter was \$135.20. Funds were used primarily for exams, pain medication, antibiotics, diagnostics (x-rays, biopsys), and dental surgery. Clients often contribute to the cost of care as they are able. A few of the animals helped by funds from the Buncombe County Strategic Partnership grant include Bambi, a senior Chihuahua, who had such a severe flea allergy that he had pulled almost all of his hair out. Bambi's owner is unemployed due to COVID and unable to afford treatment. AHS was able to provide funds for Bambi to receive an antibiotic injection, allergy medication and flea treatment. Binks' owner, who lives in low-income housing and struggled to find funds for Binks' vet visit, contacted our Helpline when the cat's eye became swollen and painful with discharge. AHS was able to provide funds for Binks to receive an antibiotic and other eye medications. Bambi and Binks received the care they needed thanks to the BCSP grant.</p>
Activities related to increasing equity, diversity and inclusion:	<p>Our Community Solutions team hosts weekly supply drives where pet owners in need can receive a variety of supplies, like full-sized bags of pet food, collars and leashes, flea preventative, and other safety net services. Our monthly Affordable Pet Care Clinics are being started again and provide low-cost or free vaccines, basic vet care, supplies, food, etc. The team recently held a vaccine clinic for homeless and housing insecure pet owners. Another vaccine clinic will be held later this month. In addition to vaccines, we also provide supplies such as flea/tick prevention and pet food. We operate a pet food assistance program in partnership with 18 human food banks in Buncombe County by providing bagged food that they can provide to clients seeking assistance for assistance for themselves.</p>
Activities related to increasing operational excellence:	<p>Ongoing efforts have been made to update our website and provide printed materials to educate the public on the availability of free resources in Buncombe County for citizens experiencing housing insecurity, with a special focus on those who own pets. Pet-friendly programs and accommodations in Buncombe County will be specifically targeted, with the hopes of offering valuable best practices to pet owners and property managers for successful transitions to co-housing for pets and their owners experiencing housing insecurity. The Community Solutions team is utilizing the resources of The Association for Animal Welfare Advancement for training, materials, etc. on diversity, equity and inclusion to add address those issues within the context of animal welfare (https://learning.theaawa.org/p/dei#tab-product_tab_training).</p>

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Progress toward annual goals

Measure	Annual Goal	Actual Results (Enter Data)				Progress toward Annual Goal
		Quarter 1	Quarter 2	Quarter 3	Quarter 4	
Number of Helpline calls requesting veterinary assistance	1,000	378	416	446		1,240
Number of pets provided veterinary assistance with funds from this grant	100	24	26	28		78
Number of clients requesting follow-up support	50	48	67	39		154
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Comments:

*NOTE: Some of the clients requesting follow-up support (or 2nd service) did not receive veterinary assistance, but called our Helpline requesting that service. A thorough intake process with callers allows staff to determine what the client needs and how we can be of the most assistance.

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Use of funds to date and any budget considerations

Spending Category	Starting Budget	Total Spending (Enter Data)				Amount Remaining
		Quarter 1	Quarter 2	Quarter 3	Quarter 4	
Personnel						\$ -
Training						\$ -
Supplies/Materials						\$ -
Meetings						\$ -
Equipment/Furniture						\$ -
Printing/Marketing						\$ -
Licensing/Memberships/Dues/Subscriptions						\$ -
Client Support						\$ -
Contracts						\$ -
Professional Services						\$ -
Insurance and Bonds						\$ -
Building Maintenance						\$ -
Vet & Wellness Care for Pets	\$ 15,000	\$ 3,750	\$ 3,763	\$ 3,786		\$ 3,701
List other cost						\$ -
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Total	\$ 15,000	\$ 3,750	\$ 3,763	\$ 3,786	\$ -	\$ 3,701

Comments:

*Note: All veterinary expenses this quarter are \$150.00 or under as we received a donation to assist with vet expenses of over \$150.00.