SUCCESS STORIES
We’d like to share a few of the stories that highlighted the connection between our animals and the people of Durham this year.

Our Staff
Meet Julie, our Behavior Manager, who has pioneered the quiet kennel program, aromatherapy, and cat leadership programs during her time at APS.

Meet Evan, a medical technician at APS, who has bottle-fed more kittens than he can count and has assisted dozens of new foster parents in caring for young orphaned kittens.

Our Animals
Meet Winston. He’s an FIV-positive cat who quickly became a staff favorite and spent much of his time at the shelter lounging on our front desk with our adoption counselors. At APS, every animal – regardless of their special challenges – is important and worthy of compassionate and loving care. We’re happy to report that Winston found a new home with a loving adopter this year.

Our Adopters
Meet Sam, a cancer survivor. He credits Maya, who he adopted from APS, with helping save his life. Diagnosed with cancer and struggling with a break-up, Sam relied on Maya for “calm companionship” throughout his treatment and recovery. Sam plans to hike the Appalachian Trail with Maya when he graduates from his PhD program.

Meet Jon. Due to health challenges, Jon was suffering from severe depression. He said adopting River from APS transformed his life for the better. “I was so broken at that point and River must have known it,” Jon said. And just like that, Jon and River fell in love with one another and he welcomed her into his home.

Want to read more about adoption stories? Visit our website at www.apsofdurham.org for more.

FINANCIAL HIGHLIGHTS
JULY 1, 2017 – JUNE 30, 2018

TOTAL INCOME: $1,986,274.75

- Durham County Funding: $654,823.64
- Shelter/APS Programs: $207,557.48
- Individual Donations & Grants: $441,731.00
- Events: $208,737.29
- Bequests: $473,425.34

TOTAL EXPENSE: $1,876,194.32

- Animal/Veterinary Care & Programs: $1,459,206.09
- Administration & Management: $147,791.40
- Fundraising & Events: $269,196.83
Dear Friend,

We are proud of the work we do on behalf of the animals, adopters, and the community of Durham. No matter an animal's story, health, or temperament, we care for them and work hard to find the best outcome possible for each and every one.

This past fiscal year, our extensive outreach efforts resulted in a reduction of 444 animals who required in-shelter housing. We are proud to be a part of a community-wide effort to reduce the number of displaced animals that enter our shelter each year. Targeted efforts, such as our community spay-neuter assistance, microchipping, comprehensive behavior program, and adopter hotline, have significantly contributed to the positive outcomes we now see everyday.

This is quantifiable evidence that our ongoing efforts to keep animals in a healthy home and reunite lost and stray animals with their owners is working. At the same time, it’s a marker of success that our shelter spay-neuter program has a direct impact on reducing owner surrenders. At APS of Durham, we take our responsibility to the animals in our care seriously. We ensure that every animal we adopt out of our shelter receives a health and behavior assessment, a microchip, and is spayed or neutered before going to their new home. Our full-time veterinary staff perform more than 1,600 surgeries per year, helping reduce the number of unwanted or abandoned animals in our community. We also contract with local veterinary partners to provide a low or no cost option for community members to have their animals spayed or neutered.

In deepest gratitude,

Shafonda Davis
Executive Director
Animal Protection Society of Durham

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**2018 AT A GLANCE**

In Fiscal Year 2018, we:

- Cared for 4,523 animals in the shelter—that’s 444 fewer than fiscal year 2017
- Invested more than $47,000 in low-cost spay-neuter surgeries for community-owned pets
- Provided free microchips and identification tags for stray animals redeemed by their owners
- Donated more than 300 microchips to owned animals during community outreach events
- Created an animal behavior “hotline” for adopters seeking advice and assistance with their newly adopted pet
- Adoption counselors offered surrender intervention services to help pet owners keep their pets at home when possible
- Found homes for 1,792 animals through adoption
- Hand-raised more than 200 orphaned kittens in APS-supported foster homes last year; more than 300 kittens have gone through foster care so far this fiscal year
- Reunited 572 stray pets with their owners
- Placed 249 animals in new homes through our partner organizations
- Welcomed more than 600 active volunteers who contributed more than 18,000 hours of their time to help Durham’s animals

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**Every dollar helps us provide homeless and neglected animals the opportunity for a better life.**

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**WHAT WE DO**

At APS of Durham, we take our responsibility to the animals in our care seriously. At the same time, we understand that supporting pet owners and our community at large is crucial to keeping animals from being abused or neglected.

That’s why we work hard both inside and outside our facility to support animal welfare, responsible pet ownership, and the human-animal bond.

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**OUR PROGRAMS INCLUDE:**

**Spay-neuter program:** We ensure that every animal we adopt out of our shelter receives a health and behavior assessment, vaccinations, a microchip, and is spayed or neutered before going to their new home.

**Microchipping program:** Durham County Animal Services deputies use microchip scanners to identify lost animals and reunite them directly with their owners. That’s why we’ve instituted a program to microchip all dogs and cats who are redeemed by their owners from our shelter. Additionally, we’ve donated microchips to owned animals in the community, ensuring fewer stray animals experience stressful separations from their families.

**Quiet kennel program:** The mental health of the animals in our care is vital to us. Waiting for a new home can be stressful to a confused or scared animal, so providing them with a clean, calm environment helps reduce tension and behavioral problems. Whether it’s aromatherapy, specially-designed kennels, or even pet-friendly music, we help reduce tension in the shelter through smart, animal-first programs.

**Kitten foster program:** This program was created to provide critical 24-hour, life-saving care for nursing and orphaned kittens. We recruit and train a robust foster network of volunteers to care for kittens and nursing mothers in their homes. We furnish all of the supplies and medical services to nurture this fragile population. Caring staff are available around the clock to provide advice, support, and comfort to new and experienced foster volunteers alike.

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